

## **WESTFIR CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Monday April 2, 2018  
Westfir City Hall 5:00PM**

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**The purpose of this public hearing is to hear comments regarding the sale of City owned surplus properties.**

Mayor Matt Meske opened the Public Hearing at 5:30pm and then recused himself. Council President D'Lynn Williams summarized the purpose of the meeting and asked if there were any additional bids. Melody responded that there were not and that the City was using Cascade Title Company for escrow. The meeting remained open for public comment, of which there was none.

The hearing was closed.

## **WESTFIR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

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Immediately following public hearing**

### **MINUTES**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Matt Meske called the meeting to order at 5:35pm. Councilors D'Lynn Williams, Thalia Lerin, and Brian Miller were present. Councilor Dawn Hendrix was absent. All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **MAYOR'S MINUTE:**

Mayor Matt Meske read his Mayoral Proclamation, declaring April Child Abuse Prevention Month.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

There were no citizen comments.

#### **COUNCILOR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

There were no Councilor comments.

#### **"IF I WERE MAYOR..." CONTEST SUBMISSIONS:**

Council discussed and judged the two entries for the "If I Were Mayor" contest. Nashya and Lola's entries will be submitted to the state for their respective age category and Council awarded each a \$75 Amazon gift card.

#### **RESOLUTION 468:**

Councilor D'Lynn Williams read a letter from Valerie and Matthew Mostes in opposition of the sale of surplus properties. Councilor Thalia Lerin motioned to adopt Resolution 468 to accept revenue from the sale of City properties. Councilor D'Lynn Williams seconded and the motion carried.

**AYE: 4 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 1**

**FIRE CHIEF CONTRACT:**

Councilor D'Lynn Williams motioned to adopt the Fire Chief contract for fiscal year 2018-2019 as presented. Councilor Thalia Lerin seconded and the motion carried.

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**APPROVE MINUTES:**

Councilor D'Lynn Williams motioned to approve the minutes from March 5, 2018. Councilor Brian Miller seconded and the motion carried.

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**WATER/SEWER REPORT:**

Jackson Stone stated that one of the sand filters was off line until the weather was dryer so that he could work on it. He reported that all other systems were running normally. Mayor Matt Meske asked the capacity of the water tank to which Jack answered 250 thousand gallons. Councilor Thalia Lerin asked what the average use was and Jack said 150-200 gallons per person, on a national average.

**FIRE/POLICE REPORT:**

The police report was reviewed and there was no comment. Fire Chief Mike Hansen presented the fire report and explained that the fire department was working with Bob Newland to burn the debris piles on his property behind the post office. The training was delayed because of the weather and he expects to begin in a month.

**TREEPLANTING PRINCESSES:**

Princesses Maiah Flack, Samantha Smith, and Satee Roach presented their speeches. Princess Vanessa Wilson was absent. Everyone present cast their secret ballot.

**CITY RECORDER REPORT:**

Melody Cornelius presented the report. She suggested using highway funds to purchase a chipper for maintenance at the Portal and Mayor Matt Meske stated that he had one the City could use instead. She scheduled a work session to discuss water rates, highway funds, and property line adjustments. Melody distributed an email from the Chamber of Commerce asking for donations toward an online promoter. Council decided not to spend the money and Councilor Brian Williams said he would try to attend their meeting the following night.

**CITY FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Melody Cornelius submitted the bank statements, reconciliation, cash deposits, and expenditure sheet. Council added a Highway Fund line item in the amount of \$4,800 to cover overage for playground expenses, including new swings at Hemlock Park. Councilor D'Lynn Williams motioned to approve expenditures in the amount of \$41,537.65. Councilor Thalia Lerin seconded and the motion carried.

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**CITIZENS CONCERNS NOT ON AGENDA:**

The owner of Casey's RV Resort, Andre Yazdi, introduced two more of his partners in the business. He asked if there was news about the fiber grant and Melody explained that Westfir did not get the grant. Discussion ensued about annexing Casey's and Westridge and Mayor Matt Meske explained that the City would have to offer utilities in order to incorporate them.

Citizen Elizabeth Stark said that while volunteering to remove blackberries at the Portal, she and her husband had uncovered an old fire hydrant. She was curious if it could be painted and kept as a piece of art. Fire Chief Mike Hansen explained that it would have to either be removed or covered. Council decided to have it removed and Jack said he would work on it.

**COUNCILOR CONCERNS NOT ON AGENDA:**

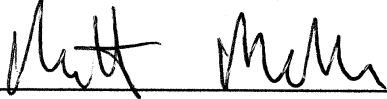
Mayor Matt Meske asked Council if he could begin brushing at the property he is under contract to purchase. Council agreed.

**ADJOURN MEETING:**

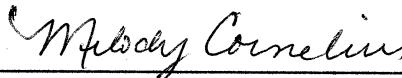
Councilor Brian Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting, Councilor Thalia Lerin seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

AYE: 4 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 1

Respectfully Submitted,



Matt Meske, Mayor

 5-7-18

ATTEST:

DATE:

Melody Cornelius, City Recorder