

**City of Rainier  
Regular City Council Meeting  
July 29, 2019  
6:00 PM  
Rainier City Hall**

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 6:03PM

**Council Present:** Rick Sanders, Steve Massey, Jenna Weaver, James Bradfield, Richard Sanders

**Council Absent:** Sloan Nelson, Mike Kreger

**City Staff Present:** Sue Lawrence, Public Works Director; Gregg Griffith, Police Chief, Sarah Blodgett, Office Manager

**City Attorney Present:** No

**Flag Salute**

**Additions/Deletions from the Agenda-**

**Mayor's Address:** Mayor Cole swore in new police officer Doug Wheeler

**Visitor Comments:** None

**Consider Approval of the Consent Agenda:**

**Consider Approval of the July 8, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes –** Sanders moved, Massey 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented- **motion passed unanimously.**

**Unfinished Business:**

**a. Affordable/Senior Housing-** none

**b. 'A' Street Update ODOT-** Sue noted that they have finished the second set of rail and it looks considerably different.

**c. Riverfront Trail-** Mayor Cole noted that a survey of the trail in front of the condos and they did have an informal meeting with some of the condo owners. Mayor noted we have approval from DSL to do a raw cut with an excavator and noted that we might gravel it. Mayor Cole noted that the trail goes from Fox Creek to El Tapatio. Mayor Cole noted we are trying to get the engineers onboard to look at the bank stabilization down there. Mayor Cole noted they

plan to meet with the condo home owners as there is going to have to be some sort of retaining wall installed.

**d. Fox Creek Update-** Lawrence noted there is a culvert meeting coming up with the group of agencies involved. Lawrence noted we have a beaver trying to take control of the culvert and it has been trapped and removed.

**New Business:**

**a. Consideration Resolution #19-07-03 Increasing Septage Dumping Fee-**

Lawrence stated we notified septage haulers a couple months ago that there was going to be an increase in their rates. The City has purchased a septage receiving station that will alleviate several maintenance issues regarding debris plugging up the screens and this increase will help recover the cost of the unit. After Council discussion, Massey moved to approve Resolution #19-07-03 Bradfield 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve as presented-**motion passed unanimously**

**b. Consider Change to the 'A' Street Sewer Line Improvement Project-**

Lawrence stated that MurraySmith and David Evans and Associates reviewed the sewer system videos and stated that other than a few areas it looks feasible and a good idea to slip lining or cure in place piping instead of removing the sewer lines and replacing them and that it should be a considerable savings to the City. Preston from MurraySmith Engineering stated they can rehabilitate vs. replace and they would replace all the sewer line laterals. Preston stated that the cost savings is around 50% for doing CCIP on the main sewer line. Preston stated there is a very low risk of failure and the troublesome areas would be dug up and replaced. Lawrence noted that Council has to approve the change of work from replacement to replacement using slip lining or CCIP. Lawrence stated that if they chose not to slip line it now, then they would have to do the excavation now and if they choose to do the slip lining, then it can be put off until later as they would not have to dig holes to do the slip lining. Lawrence stated AES was interested in doing the work and all it would take is a change order. After some discussion on the process and longevity of the rehabilitation of the line using the CCIP method, Sanders moved to change the A Street Sewer Line Improvement Project to consider a CCIP bid in lieu of removing the pipe and replacing the pipe, Massey 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion- after financial impact discussion -**motion passed unanimously**

**c. Consider Funding Options for the 'A' Street Water Line Improvement**

**Project-** Lawrence explained when this project started there really was not a lot of water line work outlined in it. Lawrence stated that when the project started about a month ago, they removed a water line they were not expecting remove as they did not know where all the lines and crossing were and they are finding inadequate, aged water lines and several of them cross underneath the railroad tracks in which they are not acceptable to the railroad. Lawrence noted that to reduce the number of water crossing and to have adequate supply to both sides of the tracks, we hired MurraySmith to draft a design to do a waterline down the north side to make up for the water lines that are crossing under the track. Lawrence noted they cut off water to a customer (old Foss site) and that last week they had to put in portion of the water line to get that customer back on. Lawrence stated that if we do not have this line installed, we will lose the Plaza Loop waterline. Lawrence stated that a portion of the line is cast iron with lead joints and the recommendation is to not touch the lines but to abandon them and install new lines. Mayor Cole reviewed the bids on the water line replacement from Foss to behind Grocery Outlet. Mayor Cole reviewed the bids with Council. Mayor Cole stated he worked with Sue to get the lowest bid of \$416,459 lowered by having the City's public works do the service connections and it reduced the quote to \$372,458. Mayor Cole called Dudley and asked her recommendation on funding. Dudley recommended using the Timber Fund as it has been approved to use for water capital projects and there is currently \$937,367. in the fund. Mayor Cole noted that the City had the contractor onsite and Mayor made an executive decision to have them start work on the water line. Lawrence noted the crossing for the raw water line was already case and appears in good condition and the decision was made leave it and not cut it out. Massey moved to fund the water line replacement project with money from the Timber Fund and Sanders 2<sup>nd</sup> on the stipulation they reconvene if the project exceeds \$400,000-**motion passed unanimously**

**d. Consider Hadaller Logging Timber Harvest Agreement-** Mayor Cole stated that Byron the City Forester noted the revenue to the City should be between \$175,000- \$225,000. Weaver moved to approve Hadaller Logging Timber Harvest Agreement, Massey 2<sup>nd</sup>-**motion passed unanimously**

**e. Ratify AES Contract for Waterline Project-** Jenna moved to ratify the AES contract and Massey 2<sup>nd</sup> to Ratify AES Contract for Waterline Project as presented-**motion passed unanimously**

**Staff Reports:** Chief Griffith stated that National Night Out is August 6<sup>th</sup> down at the City Park. Griffith noted that new Office Wheeler will be going to the

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Academy on October 7<sup>th</sup> and returning to the force to finish up on February 14<sup>th</sup> 2020.

**Council Reports** Weaver stated signs are up at InRoads that state member parking until 6pm and public park from 6pm to 2am.

**City Calendar/Announcements:**

Council discussed if the 6pm meeting start time worked for everyone and is was decided to also start the next meeting at 6pm

Next meeting is August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6PM

Meeting adjourned at 7:03PM

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Mayor Jerry Cole

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Sarah Blodgett, Interim City Recorder