

**City of Tieton
City Council Minutes
December 27, 2011**

Call to Order

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

The following were:

Present: Councilmembers Dewane Ashbrooks, Felisa Cox, Sharon Sedgwick, and Matt Riddle

Also Present: Clerk/Treasurer Fred Muñoz and Police Officer Jared Hinze

Absent: Councilmember Juan Santos, Police Chief Jeff Ketchum, Public Works Director Rich Olson, City Engineer Gray & Osborne, City Attorney Kevin Naught, City Planner YVCOG, and YC Fire District #1

Mayor Hall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vote to Approve the Agenda

Mayor Hall entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Riddle made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Sedgwick seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Councilwoman Cox made a motion to approve the following consent agenda:

- A. Approve minutes of Council Meeting dated 12-12-11.
- B. Approve claim vouchers dated 12-27-11 numbers 22616 to 22635 in the amount of \$61,662.43.
- C. Approve manual check dated 12/08/11 in the amount of \$240.00; check number 5229.

Seconded by Councilman Riddle. Motion carried unanimously.

Visitors

- A. **Leon Sedgwick, 1081 Franklin Rd., Tieton, WA:** Mr. Sedgwick inquired about the farming on Rosenkranz Rd. Mayor Hall briefly explained that he thought the Washington State University planted garlic, but would be getting more information soon. Councilman Ashbrooks added that it takes a year or so to grow garlic, so it was planted early. Mayor Hall also added that it was part of the Bike Park/Community Garden Proposed Project and was in review with Yakima County.

Old Business

- A. **None.**

New Business

- A. **Approve and authorize Mayor to sign 2012 YVCOG Technical Assistance (TA) Contract:** Mayor Hall made mention that the contract amount was put at \$2,500.00. Councilwoman Sedgwick made a motion to approve the Mayor to sign the 2012 YVCOG Technical Assistance Contract with \$2,500.00. Seconded by Councilman Ashbrooks. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. **Nominate and vote for 2012 YVCOG General Membership Member and Alternate Designation:** Councilman Ashbrooks nominated Councilwoman Cox as a voting representative for the YVCOG membership. Councilwoman Cox was approved by a majority vote. Councilwoman Sedgwick nominated Mayor Stanley

- Hall as the voting alternate representative for YVCOG. Mayor Hall was approved as the alternate by a majority vote.
- C. O-661 (1st Reading) An ordinance amending the 2011 budget of the City of Tieton, Washington, as adopted by Ordinance No. 642:** Mr. Muñoz briefly explained the amendment line items. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cox to pass Ordinance 661. Seconded by Councilwoman Sedgwick. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. O-663 (1st Reading) An ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 658 Setting Wages for Officers and City Personnel to be effective as of January 1, 2012:** Mr. Muñoz briefly explained that police officer, at \$2,900.00 was added to the salaries ordinance for the year 2012. A Motion was made by Councilman Ashbrooks to pass Ordinance 663. Seconded by Councilwoman Cox. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Discussion - Catholic Charities Impact Fee Waiver Request:** Mayor Hall explained that a letter had been submitted by Catholic Charities requesting to waive impact fees for their housing development. Councilwoman Cox did not feel that the City should waive the impact fees. Councilwoman Cox added that she felt it was gifting to an organization, and it should not be waived but perhaps lowered to half the total cost. Councilman Ashbrooks agreed, and that the impact fee should be according to the ordinance. Mr. Muñoz added that the impact fees for sewer and water were \$1,250.00 for each. Councilwoman Sedgwick did not think to waive the total fees, but perhaps work out a smaller portion. Councilman Riddle concurred. Mayor Hall suggested reducing the impact fees to half the cost. Mayor Hall also would call the other cities that were involved with Catholic Charities, and find out what they had done. Councilman Ashbrooks asked if the ordinance would need to be amended if the impact fees were charged differently. Mr. Muñoz answered that it did not require an amendment, just a motion to authorize a different amount from the ordinance; a variance.
- F. Approve and authorize use of City Property for Motocross Group on May 19 & 20, 2012:** Mayor Hall briefly explained that the Community Days Group would cover the activity with their insurance. Mayor Hall made mention that there was another group wanting to lease the properties. A motion was made by Councilman Ashbrooks to authorize the use of City Property for Motocross Group on May 19th & 20th. Seconded by Councilwoman Cox. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports and Comments

Committee Reports:

1. No meeting for the month of December 2011.
2. Mayor Hall explained that he had a meeting at the YVCOG meeting concerning the UGA and the Bike Park. County made suggestions to do a boundary line adjustment and annex the property into the city, along with annexing the portion of Rosenkranz Rd adjacent to the property as well. Another suggestion was made to annex all of Rosenkranz to the West edge of the City limits. Mayor Hall added that the County would be modifying the restrictions on the parking for the Bike Park.

Department Reports:

1. **Attorney Report: None.**
2. **Tieton Police Dept.: None.**
3. **Tieton Fire Department: None.**
4. **Department Heads:** Mr. Muñoz presented October and November 2011 Treasurer Reports to the Council. Mr. Muñoz made mention that he was pleased with the audit results as well.

Council Comments:

None.

Mayor Comments:

Mayor Hall made mention that the next Council meeting would include swearing in of newly elected officials. Mayor Hall also mentioned that a representative from NoaNet would be present for any questions.

Executive Session:

A. None

Adjournment:

Mayor Hall entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Cox made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Ashbrooks. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Mayor Stanley Hall

Clerk-Treasurer, Fred Muñoz