**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF WALHALLA CITY COUNCIL**

**MEETING MONDAY MAY 6, 2024**

Mayor McDonald called the regular meeting of the Walhalla City Council to order at 7:00 PM, Monday, May 6, 2024 at city hall.

Council Present: Kalis, Carpenter, Horgan, Jackson, Dumas, Schill

Others Present: Mike Duerre, Ross Blair, Steve Gapp, Larry Dubois

Mike Duerre of the Park and Rec Department addressed the council in regard to the floating docks. They would like to take over putting them into the water each year, but will need the city to agree to give them easement to do it. Mr. Duerre also stated there is a grant to improve the access to the river and stated he would like the city to be the applicant. The council instructed Mr. Duerre to go ahead with getting the information for the grant together.

Ross Blair addressed the council with a question he had on a shed he wants to put up and whether he needed a building permit. He was told as long as he was not digging or it wasn’t a permanent structure he did not need one.

Motion by Carpenter to approve all Homestead Credit Tax Abatements for Rhonda Fehr, Alan Storey, Judy Jackson, William Zeller and Allen Schmidt. Second by Horgan. Roll call: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Jackson, abstain; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Horgan to approve all minutes as read. Second by Schill. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Horgan to close the Street Improvement Fund and transfer the money to the General Fund and to create a Chip & Seal Fund and then transfer that money to the new fund. Second by Kalis. Roll call: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Jackson, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Schill to approve financial report. Second by Jackson. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**:

**Municipal Services, Building Permits, Streets, & Alleys:**  Motion by Schill to hire Kyle Thomas and Marcus Halldorson for the summer city works at $19.00 per hour. Second by Carpenter. Roll call: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Jackson, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed. Discussion of the Walhalla Cemetery Association. Mr. Jackson will contact the local pastors to see if they can organize a new board. Motion by Jackson to go ahead with the chip & seal project. Second by Dumas. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

**Police, Fire and Traffic:**  Orange cones at school being left up after hours discussed. Auditor will call them to take down after school hours.

**Financial & Economic Development, Development Corp**: Nothing.

**Board of Health, City Buildings & Recreation:** Building at 1012 Central discussed. Owner was informed the fireworks must be removed. Owner stated they were removed. Mr. Dubois will let owner know she must let building inspector back in for a recheck. Two new furnaces for the legion will cost approximately $10,000.00. Bid for roof repairs of legion was approximately $4,000.00. Motion by Dumas to go ahead with furnace project at the legion. Second by Schill. Roll call: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Jackson, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed. The soil sample testing was received from Terracon. The pool can stay in the park. Motion by Horgan to place an ad for bids on the demolition of the old pool and building. Second by Kalis. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Carpenter to pay all bills as presented. Second by Jackson. Roll call: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Jackson, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Jackson to approve first readings of amended ordinances 2024-03 and 2024-04. Second by Horgan. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Carpenter to designate the Cavalier Chronicle as the official newspaper of the City of Walhalla. Second by Jackson. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Dumas to change annual sick days from two to five and they can be used for doctor appointments. Second by Schill. Ayes, all. Motion passed.

Motion by Kalis to hire Melissa Gapp as a part time employee starting May 13, 2024 at $40.00 per hour. Second by Schill. Roll call: Kalis, yes; Carpenter, yes; Horgan, yes; Jackson, yes; Dumas, yes; Schill, yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Carpenter to adjourn the meeting. Second by Dumas. Ayes, all. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

John Rock McDonald\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Melissa Gapp\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Auditor

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