Kensington City Council Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2023

Members Present: Jim Schecker, John Gran, Joe Miles, Brock Green and Emmy Maheux

Members Absent:

Guests:

The monthly meeting for the Kensington City Council was held January 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Kensington Community Center Council room and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Kangas administered the oath of Office to Jim Schecker, Mayor and to Joe Miles and Brock Green, Council Members. MCU

**Motion (Maheux/Green) to approve the agenda. MCU**

**Motion (Gran/Miles) to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2022, meeting. MCU**

**Motion (Miles/Gran) to approve the bills on the claims list. MCU**

**Motion (Gran/Green) to approve the financial report as presented. MCU**

Appointments for 2023 are made as follows:

**Motion (Miles/Green) to appoint Pryce Score as Treasurer for the City of Kensington. MCU**

**Motion (Miles/Green) to appoint John Gran as Vice Mayor who shall preside and perform duties in the absence of the mayor. MCU**

**Motion (Miles/Green) to appoint the Law offices of Thornton, Dolan, Bowen, Klecker, and Burkhammer, P.A. as City Attorney. MCU**

**Motion (Miles/Green) to appoint Kensington Bank as the primary depository of the City of Kensington. John Gran abstained from voting due to being a bank employee. Motion Carried**

**Motion (Miles/Green) to appoint the Grant County Herald, Herman Review & Hoffman Tribune as the official newspaper of the City of Kensington. MCU**

**Motion (Gran/Maheux) to authorize the City Clerk to make electronic funds and wire transfers to conduct business for the City of Kensington. MCU**

The council discussed a cost-of-living adjustment for the city clerk for 2023.

**Motion (Gran/Miles) to approve a cost-of-living adjustment for the City Clerk in the amount of $1.50 per hour bringing this position to an hourly wage of $21.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2023. MCU**

The Council discussed payment options for the liquor license for the Kensington Bar & Café as the liquor license has not yet been paid for. The council discussed that the bar owner needs to take the initiative and responsibility to come to the city and discuss the situation if payment arrangements need to be made, it is not the clerk’s responsibility to track him down. The liquor license payment is due before the liquor license is issued to the establishment unless other arrangements have been made. Clerk Kangas will discuss what has been discussed with Rick.

**Motion (Green/Maheux) to provide the liquor license to the Kensington Bar and Café with ½ payment due by Friday January 13, 2023, with the second payment to follow by the end of January 2023. MCU**

The council had further discussion regarding renting out the Green Acres land. It is the city’s ultimate goal to continue to make progress on the development of that subdivision. The Council discussed several ideas regarding the land but would like Jennifer to talk to Caden again to see if we can come up with an idea that will work for both parties involved.

**Motion (Green/Gran) to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. MCU**

The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 7 pm.

Jennifer Kangas, City Clerk