**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ETNA CITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday September 8, 2020**

Members of the Etna City Council met on this 8th day of September, via TELECONFERENCE. Mayor Jaime Tarne called the meeting to order and dispensed with the flag salute.

**Roll Call**

Mayor Jaime Tarne and Council members Charnna Gilmore, Cate Trost, and Mitch Trost were present. (Mitch Trost called in approximately ten minutes late.)

**Oral Comments from the Public on Non-Agenda Item**

 None.

**Consent Calendar**

* Minutes of the Regular Meeting August 21, 2020
* Financial Reports

Mayor Tarne called for a motion to accept the Consent Calendar. Due to requiring a three yes vote the Financial Reports were not approved but the Minutes of the Regular Meeting August 21, 2020 were approved.

**Ayes: Gilmore, C. Trost, Tarne**

**Council/Department Reports**

**Current Business**

 **Discuss/Approve USDA Water Grant & Deep Water Well.** Audience member Jay Martin presented to the Council an opportunity to file for a grant to help the City drill a well. The well is beneficial to the community in case a disastrous situation occurs with the City’s drinking water. Council member M. Trost agreed to assist Martin. Mayor Tarne moved to approve Jay Martin applying for the USDA Water Grant & Deep Water Well, council member Gilmore seconded, and the motion passed.

**Ayes: Gilmore, C. Trost, M. Trost, Tarne**

 **Discuss/Approve 50/50 Grant and associated resolution.** Fire Chief Alan Kramer requested approval to apply for the 50/50 Grant. Council member M. Trost moved to approve Kramer applying for the 50/50 Grant, C. Trost seconded and the motion passed.

**Ayes: Gilmore, C. Trost, M. Trost, Tarne**

**Discuss/Approve vacation buy out.** City Clerk Kris Hargrove and council member C. Trost explained that offering this to employees will help in preventing vacation caps. Several employees are maxed out with their vacation hours and because of a small staff it makes it difficult to leave for a vacation. Council member M. Trost moved to approve the option for employees to cash out a portion of the vacation hours, Gilmore seconded, and the motion passed.

**Ayes: Gilmore, C. Trost, M. Trost, Tarne**

 **Discuss/Approve surplus ambulance tires.** Council member C. Trost requested approval for the Ambulance Department to sell tires that they can no longer utilize because they are past the expiration date. Council member M. Trost moved to approve selling ambulance surplus tires, Gilmore seconded, and the motion passed.

**Ayes: Gilmore, C. Trost, M. Trost, Tarne**

 **Discuss/Approve accepting Ford Foundation Grant.** Mike Slay from the Ambulance Department recently applied for a grant through the Ford Foundation and requested Council approval to accept the funds to purchase a stair chair.

**Ayes: Gilmore, C. Trost, M. Trost, Tarne**

**Discuss/Approve National Night Out.** Ambulance Director Terri Arrwood and Police Chief Josh Short gave a brief description of the event and requested council approval. A Special Event Application will need to be submitted for approval at the next meeting. No action taken.

 **Discuss/Approve domestic animals.** Mayor Tarne removed this item. No action taken.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**CITY COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REQUESTS:**

**Adjournment**

 There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Jenny Bennett,

Asst. City Clerk