



🏠 Location: City Hall  
📅 Date: May 10, 2022  
🕒 Time: 6:00pm

## City of Electric City Council Meeting Minutes May 10, 2022

The Electric City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Diane Kohout on Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

**Present by Roll Call:** Council Members Brian Buche, Cheryl Hoffman, Don Redfield, Bob Rupe, Cate Slater

**Staff members/Others present:** Brian & Karon Fox/Prospective Coulee Playland Owners, Peggy Nevsimal/City Clerk/Treasurer, Mark Payne/Fire Chief, Hal Rauch/Owner Coulee Playland, Carol Rupe/Electric City Resident, Mike Shear/Code Compliance, John Tufts/Grand Coulee Police Chief

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Approval of Agenda:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda.

M/S (Slater/Rupe) CU

### Consent Agenda:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda.

M/S (Slater/Buche) CU

### Public Comments

- Ted Piccolo, the city staff received several emails from Mr. Piccolo, read by the mayor. He is not in favor of reducing the speed limit between Coulee Playland and North Dam Park.
- Mark & Debbie Jenson, email received by city staff, read by the mayor, supportive of the speed limit reduction and the shoreline trail between Coulee Playland and North Dam Park
- Raymond Spackman, email received by city staff, read by the mayor, would like the city to keep the speed limit at 45 between Electric City and Grand Coulee. Also, the sidewalks are unusable in the winter and particularly bad on Western Avenue.
- Kaitlyn Guest, email received by city staff, read by the mayor, would like the city to keep the speed limit at 45 between Coulee Playland and North Dam Park.

### Unfinished Business:

- Law Enforcement, Fire Department & Code Compliance Reports
  - Police Chief Tufts reported that there were no significant issues in Electric City in the month of March with a total of 16 Electric City incidents for the month.
  - Fire Chief Payne reported one fire incident in Electric City in the month of April.
  - Code Compliance Officer Shear presented an updated spreadsheet of current compliance issues.

- Engineering Projects
  - The FHWA Bike/Ped safety project is ready to go. Complete design narratives in June 2022, bid advertisement June 2022, open bids July 2022, construction starts summer 2022, project completion summer 2022.
  - Finalize speed limit change with WSDOT in June 2022.
  - The Sewer Main Lining application has been submitted to USDA and has been sent to underwriting.
  - The City has finalized their Water System Improvement project.
  - The City has submitted an application to FEMA for a new fire truck and is waiting on a determination from them.
  - CenturyWest will apply for chip seal funding from TIB in August.
  
- Spring Cleanup
  - Spring cleanup was conducted at the Delano Transfer Station from April 16-April 23. Basin Tree Service came the following week and chipped 9.16 tons of chippable yard waste. The chipped material was hauled to the Quincy composting facility by Transfer Station staff.
  
- ARPA Money Distribution
  - City staff has submitted to the Department of Treasury that they intend to use ARPA money for fire equipment, and water and sewer projects. The first \$139,000 has been received by the City. The second \$139,000 will be received in June 2022.

### Executive Session

- The council went into an executive session at 6:38 to discuss the performance of an employee per RCW 42.30.100(1)(g) for 20 minutes.
- At 6:58 the council extended the executive session for an additional 10 minutes.
- At 7:09 the mayor called the regular meeting back to order with no actions to be voted on.

### New Business

- Coulee Playland new ownership
  - Hal Rauch, current owner of Coulee Playland introduced Ben & Karon Fox. Mr. Rauch is in final negotiations to sell Coulee Playland to Mr. & Mrs. Fox. He hopes to have everything completed within the next couple of months.
  
- Coulee Playland price increase
  - The City of Electric City is the leaseholder for Coulee Playland and as such has been asked by Mr. Rauch to approve the 2022 rental price increases.
  - A motion was made and seconded to approve the rate increases at Coulee Playland Resort  
M/S (Rupe/Buche) CU
  
- A motion was made and seconded to approve the signing of Aspect Consulting Services Contract.  
M/S (Buche/Rupe) CU
  
- A motion was made and second to approve the Grant County Economic Development Council 2022 Municipal Services Agreement  
M/S (Slater/Buche) CU

### Reports

- Mayor Kohout reported that the Transfer Station that there will be two events at the Transfer Station, Hazardous Waste Day on May 13<sup>th</sup> and an Electronics Bin Event on May 19-21.
- City Clerk Nevsimal reported that the City's Annual Report is due to the State Auditor's Office on May 30, 2022 and will be completed and turned in on time.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.

M/S (Rupe/Redfield)



Peggy Nevsimal, City Clerk/Treasurer



Diane Kohout, Mayor