

**CITY OF SEQUIM
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SEQUIM CIVIC CENTER
152 WEST CEDAR STREET
SEQUIM, WA
APRIL 9, 2018**

Ed Evans from KSQM provided background information on the City Council and staff.

City Manager's Office: Rally in the Alley, Business Blitz, City Volunteers, Employee Engagement

Deschenes reported that during Rally in the Alley a total of 31.69 tons of trash was collected in 2017 compared with 13.08 in 2016. The next Rally in the Alley will take place during ServiceFest.

Irvin reported that 37 business visits were conducted in a 3-hour period during the Business Blitz. This generated a network of businesses wanting to work on Work Force Development.

Deschenes reported there are 92 volunteers with the City. During 2017 our volunteers donated 11,027 hours. The volunteer appreciation event will take place in the fall.

Bush reported that employee engagement was measured in 2017 to get a baseline. It was at 63%. Another survey will be completed next year.

Administrative Services: Financial Update

Hagener reported one-time revenues helped us end 2017 about \$700K better than anticipated. We are resurrecting a Contingency Fund and also created a Rainy Day Fund. The City received another clean audit of its 2016 financial statements. That is at least 26 years of clean audits. There is no information available on this prior to that time.

Public Works: Pavement Rehabilitation, Water Reclamation Facility, Carrie Blake Community Park, Guy Cole Event Center, Pickleball Courts

Garlington stated that 2017 was very busy with projects. Klontz added that we are looking forward to renewal of the TBD so more projects can be completed down the road.

Pete Tjemsland reported that the treatment plant is percolating well and received 100% compliance from Washington State Department of Ecology.

Ty Brown indicated many changes have happened at Carrie Blake Park. There are new bridges, terrace gardens, ponds have been improved, and blackberries removed.

Klontz reported on the Guy Cole Event Center and pickleball courts.

City Arts Advisory Commission: Performers on the Plaza, Special Exhibit – Piecing Together a Changing Planet

Kuznek-Reese reported on Performers on the Plaza that began in summer of 2017 and will continue this year.

Kuznek-Reese also reported on the Piecing Together a Changing Planet traveling art exhibit. Sequim was the only stop in the Pacific Northwest and the last stop on the tour.

Police: Annual Report

Sheri Crain reported that John Southard was promoted to Sergeant; Devin McBride, Kindryn Leiter, and Rick Larsen all received special awards; Sean Washburn retired after over 15 years of service as a Reserve Officer. They also recruited a new K-9, Mamba. Also in 2017, a Girl Scout troop adopted the children's playroom, decorating it and providing toys and art.

Tourism/Marketing: Best Northwestern Small Town, Present Annual Report

Barb Hanna reported that in the March USA Today Sequim was nominated as the best northwestern small town. Twenty cities were nominated. It was a voting competition.

Innovation Academy: Sequim Vege-lante Presentation

Irvin and Hagener presented the Sequim Vege-lante project which includes using goats in the maintenance of vegetation.

Consent Agenda

- Approve/Acknowledge
 - Claim Voucher Recap Dated April 9, 2018 Total Payments \$424,847.48
 - City Council Meeting Minutes – March 26, 2018

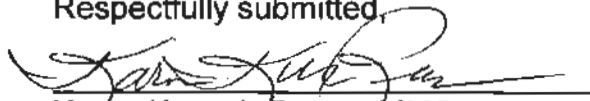
MOTION to approve the consent agenda made by Ted Miller; seconded by Bob Lake.
Carried Unanimously.

Public Comments

Richard Cary, on behalf of the Sequim Picklers, thanked the City for its contributions toward the pickleball courts.

Meeting adjourned 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Kuznek-Reese, MMC
City Clerk



Dennis Smith
Mayor

Minutes approved at a regular Council meeting held on April 23, 2018.