Record of Proceedings Town of Elmer City December 8, 2022

The Town of Elmer City Council met in regular session at 505 Seaton Ave, Elmer City, Washington on the 8th of December 2022. Mayor Jesse Tillman, City Councilmembers Michael Humiston, William Dunlap, Clara Carson, Flora Long and Terje Berg, and Maintenance Superintendent/Water Specialist Jimmer Tillman and Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Ross were in attendance or present via zoom.

Mayor Jesse Tillman opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Regular Minutes:

Michael moved to approve the November 10, 2022 regular meeting minutes and December 1, 2022 public hearing minutes as presented. Terje seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

After some discussion on increasing utility rates and fees, William moved to approve a \$5 monthly increase per each water hookup, and a \$8 monthly increase per each sewer hookup. Michael seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Michael moved to approve increasing the utility fees. Flora seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Kelly said she will schedule the public hearing for January 12, 2023 at 6 pm.

New Business:

Michael moved to approve <u>Ordinance No. 367:</u> Adopting Budget 2023. William seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

William moved to approve Ordinance No. 369: Updating Utility Billing and Termination Procedures. Terje seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Michael moved to approved <u>Ordinance No. 370</u>: Imposing an Excise Tax on the Sale of Real Estate. Terje seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

William moved to approve <u>Ordinance No. 371</u>: Establishing Date and Time for the City Council Meeting. Flora seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Terje moved to approve <u>Resolution R9-22:</u> Declaring Unused Property for Surplus or Scrap. Michael seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

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Council approved the lease agreement with iFiber Communications and the letter of representation with the State Auditor's office.

Public Comment Period per RCW 42.30: No public was present.

Maintenance Superintendent /Water Specialist Report:

Jimmer reported the town was not awarded a TIB grant for 2023.

Clerk\Treasurer Report:

Kelly reported all original meeting minutes, ordinances and resolutions were sent to the state archives and the documents will be digitized. Kelly stated she is not happy with the company that processes credit card payments, as it takes 5 to 7 days to receive the funds., and would like to use the company through the bank. Council agreed to change companies.

<u>Approval of Claims</u>: Flora moved to approve the <u>December 2022</u> claims/vouchers in the amount of \$39,184.40 warrant number 9755-9772 and EFT's payments and the **November 2022** payroll in the amount of \$7,884.80. William second the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

Terje moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Michael seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

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ATTEST:

KELLY ROSS, Clerk/Treasurer

TOWN OF ELMER CITY ELMER CITY, WASHINGTON

JESSE O. TILLMAN, Mayor