

Tonasket City Council Agenda

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

7:00 pm

VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING ID # 856-9498-5326

PHONE #1-253-215-8782

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Roll Call
- 4) Approval of the Agenda---**Requires Action**
- 5) Public Comment
- 6) Unfinished Business
 - 1) Approve entering into contract with Timberline Construction – **Requires action**
 - 2) Approve final Payment to Mallett Sheet Metal in the amount of \$2,388.71---**Requires Action**
 - 3) Approve final payment to Award Construction for the Parry's Acres Project in the amount of \$41,677.96—**Requires Action**
- 7) Mayor/Council/Committee Reports
- 8) New Business
 - a) Addition of 1 new holiday, \$25.00 Per month VEBA account. Weekend/Holiday duty pay of \$25.00 per day, Longevity, Sick leave, Vacation rate all to mirror Labor Agreement---**Requires Action**
 - b) Approve pay raise for City Superintendent and Clerk-Treasurer—**Requires Action**
 - c) Discussion/Approval of using Cumulative Building Funds for Shop Roof---**Requires Action**
 - d) Approve Purchase of the Master Meter Harmony Software in the amount of \$9,123.29 –**Requires Action**
 - e) Resolution 2020-11—authorizing USDA-RD Grant—**Requires Action**
- 9) Miscellaneous and Correspondence
- 10) Consent Agenda: Minutes of the previous Council meeting, the April Payroll and the May Bills.
- 11) Adjournment

Council Memo
For Tuesday, May 12, 2020

7:00 pm Virtual Zoom Meeting

ID # 856-9498-5326

Phone #1-253-215-8782

TO: Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: City Clerk-Treasurer

The Council needs to authorized entering into a contract with Timberline Construction for the City Shop Roof Project. Owen would like to start in the next couple of weeks. I asked Mick to review our Public Works Contract to make sure it is up to date. I will include in the contract the 15 year warranty on the roofing material and 1 year warranty on the workmanship. Owen has asked if at all possible, if funds could be paid for the purchase of the materials up front---this is a question for Mick and it would need to be part of the contract. **Suggested Motion: Motion to authorize entering into and authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with Timberline Construction for the Repair of the City Shop Roof in the amount of \$42,237.00 which includes tax, conditions as follows; 15 year warranty on the metal roofing, 1 year warranty on the workmanship, and allowing payment for the upfront materials.**

Mallett Sheet Metal would like to have their final payment for the City Hall Roof Project. Darren and I have been checking out the roof and during the last big rain storm there were no leaks. I recommend we pay them the final payment of \$2,388.71. Every time we have had a concern with the roof they have been here and worked on the roof. **Suggested Motion: Motion to authorize final payment to Mallett Sheet Metal in the amount of \$2,388.71.**

The Parry's Acres Sewer Project is complete! We have received all of the required paperwork back and I recommend as does Varela and Associates to pay Award Construction the retainage of \$41,677.96. **Suggested Motion: Motion to authorize final payment to Award Construction for the Parry's Acres Project in the amount of \$41, 677.96.**

Councilmember Kriner has asked I put the following on the agenda: add 1 new holiday, Day after Christmas, \$25.00 for the Weekend/Holiday duty pay, \$25.00 per month into a VEBA account, Longevity, vacation rate and sick leave for Department Heads, to mirror the Labor Agreement with a beginning date of ____.

Suggested Motion: Motion to approve the following : add 1 new holiday, Day after Christmas, \$25.00 per day for the Weekend/Holiday duty pay, \$25.00 per month into a VEBA account, Longevity, vacation rate and sick leave for Department Heads, to mirror the Labor Agreement with a beginning date of ____.

Or a variation as determined by Council.

Councilmember Kriner has also asked that I put a wage increase for Darren Johnson and Alice Attwood on the agenda. Councilmember Kriner will be presenting this during the meeting. **Suggested Motion: Motion to approve the wage increases as follows: _____.** Or a variation as determined by Council.

Discussion/Approval to use Cumulative Building Funds for the payment of the City Shop Roof. The City has an application in to USDA_RD for the Grant/Loan for the roof. This is just in case we do not get the funds. **Suggested Motion: Motion to approve using the Cumulative Building Funds to pay for the City Shop Roof.** Or a variation as determined by Council.

I have asked the Council to approve the purchase of the Master Meter Software before, however it is now time that we proceed with this purchase. We are on borrowed time with the software—Master Meter has allowed us to use the upgrades until January 1st with the understanding we would purchase it. It is now May and it is time we purchase it for ourselves. If we do not have this the Public Works crew will be reading the meters by hand and the Utility Clerk will be in putting them into the computer manually. **Suggested Motion: Motion to authorize the purchase of the Master Meter Software in the amount of \$9,123.29.**

Resolution 2020-11 authorizes the City to apply for the USDA-RD grant/loan. Just another step in the application process. **Suggested Motion: Motion to approve Resolution 2020-11 authorizing application for a loan/grant from the United States Department of Agriculture.**

Minutes of the Regular Tonasket City Council Meeting, Tuesday, April 28th, 2020
This meeting was held virtually.

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Present: Mayor Brown and Councilmembers Kriner, Levine, McMillan, Ritter and Weddle

Staff: Johnson, Attwood, Hawley, Danison and Booher

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7 pm and the pledge of allegiance was given by all.

Roll call was done and all members were present.

Motion to approve the agenda. M/Weddle, S/Ritter. Motion carried 5:0.

Public Comment—None

Kurt Danison was in attendance to update the Mayor and Council on several subjects:

- Continuing work on the Master Plan for Chief Tonasket Park. Has asked for input from the Park Committee. Public meetings will be needed.
- Businesses are taking advantaged of the stimulus money through Economic Alliance.
- Possibly funds coming from the state.
- It has been pretty quiet, Commissioners met and builders can proceed with work if they follow 26 rules.

Unfinished Business

Motion to extend Resolution 2020-06 regarding late fees etc. on water/sewer bills until May 26th. M/Kriner, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

Reschedule Arbor Day. There was discussion and it was the consensus of the Council that the City encourage citizens to plant trees in their own yards this year and the City will celebrate Arbor day next year.

TranGo update. Brent Timm, TranGo representative, reported they are working on submitting a proposal to the City. The proposal is to move the bus stop to First Street near the North Valley Extended Care building. There will need to be some construction. They are grateful to the hospital for working with them on this matter.

Brent also reported that during this time of social distancing they are only allowing 3 people on a bus at a time and they are cleaning the buses after every rider.

Department Head Reports

Introduction of new Building Official.

- Ron Booher introduced himself to the group. He will be starting work soon. He has been quarantined for almost two weeks.

Sheriff Tony Hawley

- Reported Deputy Malone is back to work after being on administrative leave due to a shooting incident in Riverside. He has been signed off and ready for work.
- Traffic stops are down due to COVID -19
- The homicide that happened in town was solved quickly in 4 hours. Deputy Covarrubias had the suspect in custody within 4 hours.

Johnson

- Reported employee Tim Freeman is retiring the end of April.
- The seasonal person has been hired
- The generator at the sewer plant needs to be replaced. The cost is high however the city has to have it to run the plant. Johnson was instructed to do what he needs to.

Attwood

- Reported she is going to be getting quotes for a sneeze barrier for the counter at City Hall.
- Reported Deniece Miller, Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer, was tested for the Coronavirus and thankfully the test came back negative.

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- Stated she would like to put it on record that she does not agree with the Mayor and 3 Councilmembers meeting in the Council room tonight. It is against Governor Inslee's Proclamation and a violation of the law.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Weddle

- Reported the City is waiting to hear from WSDOT regarding the grant application for the Airport Project.
- Reported verifying if Transportation Improvement Funds for Street Project are still a go.
- She is working with TranGo on the new bus stop
- Welcomed new seasonal employee Shawn McCrerey

McMillan

- Reported he is staying home

Levine

- Street project---verifying if Transportation Improvement funds still a go.
- Commented on the Stay at Home/Stay Healthy powers of the Governor..

Ritter

- Welcomed Ron Booher, the new building official, and hoped he would be apprised of the condition and status of the Texas Family diner and the Round Up building.
- Thanked Tim Freeman for his years of service to the City and that he will be missed.
- Reported the closure of the old Police Department Building has been put on hold.
- Inquired about the black Police Car---Clerk stated it is not sold yet.

Kriner

- Read some COVID – 19 statistics
- Should probably keep parks in town closed

Mayor

- It would be nice if we could open the swimming pool.

Motion to approve the quote from Timberline Construction for the City Shop Roof Repair with the condition of a 15 year Warranty on the metal roofing, a 1 year warranty on the work and if additional work needs to be done it will be charged at time and material.

M/Kriner, S/Weddle. Motion carried. 5:0. The quote for the work was \$42,237.00.

The City has received a request from Trisha Roach, High School Principal, to allow the school to hang banners with the graduating Seniors pictures on them, in the downtown area. Kari Alexander was in attendance to answer any questions the Council may have. There will be 2 Seniors depicted on each banner.

Motion to allow the School to hang the Senior Banners in town. M/Ritter, S/Levine. Motion carried. 5:0.

Motion to allow Weddle and Attwood to work on the application the application for grant funds through NCACH Community support funds. M/Ritter, S/Weddle. Motion carried. 5:0. There was discussion on the vetting process for person to receive the funds. Weddle commented other entities have done this and a process can be worked on.

Motion to adopt Ordinance #812, a budget amendment. M/Kriner, S/Ritter. Motion carried. 5:0.

Motion to approve Resolution 2020-10 an Airport Land Lease Agreement with William Phillips. M/Ritter, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence

Motion to approve the consent agenda: the minutes of the March 24th, 2020 Regular meeting, minutes of the March 25th, 2020 Special meeting, the minutes of the April 17th, 2020 Special meeting, the March payroll \$45,697.23 (9859-9875 & Direct Deposit run 3/26/2020 and the April Bills 9857-58, 9876-9924 & 4 EFT's 4-24-2020. M/Kriner, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

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Councilmember Weddle voiced her concern regarding the Mayor and 3 Councilmembers attending the meeting together in the Council room. Levine stated there was an RCW to allow this and she will research this and send it.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned.

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer

Mallett Sheet Metal & Roofing

PO Box 848
 Omak, WA 98841

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
11/11/2019	4449

Bill To
City of Tonasket

Ship To

P.O. Number	Terms	Rep	Ship	Via	F.O.B.	Project
			11/11/2019			

Quantity	Item Code	Description	Price Each	Amount
	Retention	Amount of Retainage	2,388.71	2,388.71
		Your Warranty is not good until this is paid in full		
		State sales tax	8.20%	0.00

Thank you for your business.	Total	\$2,388.71
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May 6, 2020

City of Tonasket
209 S. Whitcomb Ave
Tonasket, WA 98855

ATTN: Alice Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer
RE: Retainage Release, Parry's Acres Sewer System Rehabilitation
Award Construction
\$41,677.96

Dear Alice:

Affidavits of Wages Paid have been approved for Award Construction and the following subcontractors:

Advanced Power LLC
Hunnicutts, Inc.
Okanogan Valley Concrete, Inc.
Stiles Inc. dba L&S Fencing
Washington Green Hydroseeding

The City has also received the following 3 certificates (copies enclosed):

- a. DOR Certificate of Payment of State Excise Taxes Paid by Public Works Contractor
- b. L&I Certificate of Release of State's Lien on Public Works Contracts
- c. ESD Certificate of Payment of Contributions Penalties and Interest on Public Works Contract

To the best of my knowledge, the conditions of the construction contract have been fulfilled and administrative closeout requirements have been met. If the City concurs, you may release the 5% retainage (\$41,677.96) to Award Construction.

I will mail the Certified Payroll Notebook request to you today.

Sincerely,

VARELA & ASSOCIATES, INC.


Tammy Turner
Project Administrative Assistant

Enclosures

cc: File 58-19



**H.D. FOWLER
COMPANY**

Customer: TOWN OF TONASKET
Estimator: Josh Alderman
Job Name: MASTER METER - HARMONY SOFTWARE PRICING/UPGRADE
Location: POST FALLS, ID

Estimate: E400969
Bid Date: 2/24/2020

Line	Qty	UoM	Description	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	1	EA	MASTERLINK TO HARMONY MOBILE SOFTWARE LICENSE UPGARDE - #RSS-HAR-M-UPG2	3,888.89	3,888.89
2	1	EA	HARMONY SOFTWARE SYSTEM TRAINING (UP TO 2 DAYS) #RSS-HAR-A-TR2	5,150.00	5,150.00
3	1	EA	GPS RECIEVER FOR WINDOWS OS 8 & UP 07-040-027S4	84.40	84.40
Approximate Total					9,123.29

RESOLUTION No. 2020-11

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TONASKET,
WASHINGTON AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A LOAN/GRANT FROM
THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Tonasket is requesting that the City applies to the United States Department of Agriculture-Rural Development (USDA-RD) for a grant/loan to repair the Tonasket City Shop; and

WHEREAS, approval of the project by USDA - RD will require City Council to amend the 2020 Budget Ordinance to recognize the grant/loan proceeds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tonasket, Washington there is authorized a Grant/Loan Application to United States Department of Agriculture – Rural Development to repair the Tonasket Shop Building Roof.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TONASKET this _____ day of _____, 2020.

APPROVED:

Dennis Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk/Treasurer

M E M O

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members of the City of Tonasket, WA

From: Mick Howe, City Attorney

Date: May 7, 2020

Re: In-person Council Meetings

As a follow up to the last City Council meeting, I thought I would address each of you before the next Council meeting. I think you are all aware that as a result of the Coronavirus disease, the Governor has issued a number of proclamations, one of which is Proclamation 20-28 wherein the Governor has prohibited public agencies in the state of Washington, including, of course, the City of Tonasket, from conducting any "in-person" council meetings. Said proclamation concludes with the following statement: "Violators of this order may be subject to criminal penalties pursuant to RCW 43.06.220(5)". The cited subsection provides: "Any person willfully violating any provision of an order issued by the Governor under this section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor." The penalty for a gross misdemeanor is contained in RCW 9A.20.021 and provides as follows:

"Every person convicted of a gross misdemeanor . . . shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for a maximum term fixed by the court of up to 364 days, or by a fine in an amount fixed by the court of not more than \$5,000, or both such imprisonment and fine."

I am also attaching a copy of a letter from the Governor's attorney's office written to the Board of Commissioners of Chelan County after the Chelan County Commissioners voted to open up building construction in violation of the proclamation. You can see that the letter concludes with a threat of criminal and civil penalties.

I am aware that some of you feel like the Governor's proclamation is in violation of the U. S. Constitution; however, you may be putting yourself, and the City, at risk while those issues are being sorted out. I understand that you individually have to make your own decision, however, I just wanted to be sure that everyone understood the provisions of the proclamation and the possible consequences.

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Enclosure

JAY INSLEE
Governor



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April 17, 2020

Ms. Susan Ward
Clerk of the Chelan Board
Susan.Ward@co.chelan.wa.us

Dear Chelan County Commissioners and Ms. Ward:

It is my understanding that the Chelan County Board of Commissioners has taken action to encourage or authorize construction activity, as indicated by Resolution No.2020-42. That action is contrary to the Governor's "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order.

As you are aware, Governor Inslee has enacted statewide, temporary emergency measures in response to the severe health risks posed by the COVID-19 respiratory illness. Relevantly, he issued Proclamation 20-25, "Stay Home, Stay Healthy," which prohibits non-essential activity through May 4, 2020. Among other things, the proclamation temporarily pauses commercial and residential construction except in certain limited cases. Permitted construction activity is clearly outlined in both the appendix to Proclamation 20-25 and the Governor's March 25, 2020, memo.

The Governor subsequently issued real estate and mortgage guidance on March 27 to allow for real estate sales and purchases to close, and to provide a way for homeowners in need to refinance or seek a line of credit to support them and their families during this uncertain time. That guidance authorizes transactions, not construction, and only minimal support is allowed (for example, inspections) to complete these transactions.

The specific language in Chelan County Board of Commissioners' Resolution No. 2020-42 that is contrary to the Governor's order states, in relevant part:

- "NOW THEREFORE, the Chelan County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim that current, pre-existing home sales may proceed to build completion as an essential activity under the Governor of the State of Washington's guidance..."

It appears that the Board of Commissioners misunderstood the guidance issued on March 27 to permit construction. It does not.

Ms. Susan Ward
Clerk of the Chelan Board
April 17, 2020
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While the steps taken by the Chelan County Board of Commissioners may reflect a good-faith effort to interpret the Governor's directives and stimulate economic activity, they violate state law. Not only does this create liability for the Board of Commissioners, but contractors and construction industry members cannot rely on conflicting local guidance to defend against state enforcement. More importantly, the Board of Commissioners' action promotes unnecessary strain on scarce personal protective equipment and puts lives at risk.

As you may know, the Governor also issued proclamation enforcement guidance in the first week of April. The guidance establishes a three-step process for engaging with individuals who intentionally or unintentionally act in violation of the Governor's orders. The purpose of this guidance is to provide a process that will allow for a consistent response across the state. The multi-step process, which begins with education, is intended to avoid imposition of sanctions and to seek voluntary compliance in every case. However, if individuals or businesses decline to comply after repeated efforts to achieve compliance, as a very last resort the Governor will direct that criminal and/or civil charges be pursued. That guidance is attached for your convenience.

During this pandemic, the health of the public is paramount. As such, by and through this letter, the Governor directs you to immediately retract or rescind Resolution No. 2020-42 in order to comply with the his statewide emergency order.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



Kathryn Leathers
General Counsel
Office of Governor Jay Inslee

Enclosures: (1) March 25, 2020 Construction Guidance
(2) March 27, 2020 Real Estate and Mortgage Guidance
(3) Proclamation Enforcement Guidelines

JAY INSLEE
Governor



STATE OF WASHINGTON
Office of the Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Stakeholders

FROM: Governor Jay Inslee

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

DATE: March 25, 2020

SUBJECT: Construction Guidance – Stay Home, Stay Healthy Proclamation (20-25)

In general, commercial and residential construction is not authorized under the Proclamation because construction is not considered to be an essential activity.

However, an exception to the order allows for construction in the following limited circumstances:

- a) Construction related to essential activities as described in the order;
- b) To further a public purpose related to a public entity or governmental function or facility, including but not limited to publicly financed low-income housing; or
- c) To prevent spoliation and avoid damage or unsafe conditions, and address emergency repairs at both non-essential businesses and residential structures.

To that end, it is permissible for workers who are building, construction superintendents, tradesmen, or tradeswomen, or other trades including, but not limited to, plumbers, electricians, carpenters, laborers, sheet metal, iron workers, masonry, pipe trades, fabricators, heavy equipment and crane operators, finishers, exterminators, pesticide applicators, cleaning and janitorial staff for commercial and governmental properties, security staff, operating engineers, HVAC technicians, painting, moving and relocation services, forestry and arborists, and other service providers to provide services consistent with this guidance.

All construction activity must meet social distancing and appropriate health and worker protection measures before proceeding.



JAY INSLEE
Governor



STATE OF WASHINGTON
Office of the Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Stakeholders

FROM: Governor Jay Inslee

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

DATE: March 27, 2020

SUBJECT: Real Estate and Mortgage Guidance – Stay Home, Stay Healthy Proclamation (20-25)

There are thousands of real estate and mortgage transactions currently pending in Washington State. Most transactions are for residential properties, with people already in transition out of/into new residences. Significant legal liability and displacement (if not homelessness), could occur if these transactions do not close. Pending/under contract sales should be allowed to close, using remote/electronic means whenever possible, and following social distancing guidelines if remote/electronic closing cannot occur. For homeowners in distress related to the COVID-19 event, it is important that they have the option to sell their home or pursue a refinance or residential mortgage loan modification.

While real estate activities along with mortgage lending activities have been approved as essential activities under the Proclamation, such activities shall only be permitted under the following restrictions and limitations:

- a) In-person meetings with customers are prohibited except when necessary for a customer to view a property or sign necessary documents;
- b) No real estate open houses shall be permitted;
- c) Property viewings, inspections, appraisals, and final walk-throughs shall be arranged by appointment and limited to no more than two people on site at any one time, exercising social distancing at all times; and
- d) Except for the limited exceptions authorized above, all new real estate listings shall be facilitated remotely.

To that end, it is permissible to engage in real estate sales, as appraisers, settlement agents and escrow officers, property inspectors, mortgage loan originators, processors, and underwriters, and other necessary office personnel including IT professionals, and back office staff necessary to maintain office operations, along with those government workers necessary to review real estate excise tax and record documents.

All real estate and mortgage activities must meet social distancing and appropriate health and worker protection measures before proceeding.



Guidelines for Enforcement of Governor Inslee's COVID-19 Proclamations

The risks created by COVID-19 require an unprecedented response from our communities, healthcare providers, law enforcement and other first responders, state and local leaders, and all of us individually. Since February 29, 2020, Governor Inslee has issued numerous proclamations aimed at reducing the spread of the virus and providing for the needs of Washingtonians. The response has been strong with the vast majority of individuals and businesses following the directives of the Governor. However, there have been numerous questions about enforcement issues that have arisen at the state and local levels.

The purpose of these guidelines is to provide a process that will allow for a consistent response across the state in the event that there is a need for enforcement of the proclamations. Voluntary compliance is the absolute goal. We want to encourage individuals and businesses to comply by educating them about the proclamations, the reasons for compliance and, if necessary and appropriate, consequences for failure to comply.

Level	Business	Individual	Notes
Initial report of an individual or business violating proclamation	<p>1) If a report is made to coronavirus.wa.gov regarding a business, the report will be referred to the appropriate state agency for review and action based on their regulatory authority.</p> <p>2) If the business is not regulated by Department of Health (DOH), Department of Licensing (DOL), Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (LCB) or Labor and Industries (L&I), the complainant will be directed to contact local law enforcement.</p> <p>3) If the report is made directly to local law enforcement rather than coronavirus.wa.gov, law enforcement will evaluate the report and respond according to their agency process and protocol. The law enforcement agency should not refer the complainant to coronavirus.wa.gov without first determining if the person has already submitted a complaint to coronavirus.wa.gov and has been directed to contact law enforcement because DOH, DOL, LCB, or L&I do not regulate the business.</p>	<p>The local law enforcement agency is the appropriate referral for calls about individuals or private groups/gatherings.</p>	<p>Coronavirus.wa.gov has a link to report businesses licensed by a state agency that are violating the Governor's proclamation, particularly the Stay Home-Stay Healthy proclamation, 20-25.</p> <p>Complaints regarding individuals or private groups who are not following the proclamation should be reported to the local law enforcement agency who will respond based on their policies and resources.</p>

<p>Individual or business declines to comply after contact and education</p>	<p>1) The state agency with regulatory authority over the business will make initial contact with the business if appropriate based on the complaint and the authority of the agency. State agencies will need to prioritize contacts based on the volume of referrals and other agency responsibilities, particularly as related to COVID-19 response activities.</p> <p>2) The initial contact by the agency will be to provide education on the proclamation and requirements. If the business declines to follow the proclamation requirements, the state agency will take further action as appropriate. Action taken by the agency may include, but is not limited to, any of the following: warning, suspension, violation, revocation of a license.</p>	<p>The local law enforcement agency is the appropriate referral for calls about individuals or private groups/gatherings.</p>	<p>The goal of the compliance process is to encourage voluntary compliance by educating the individual or business on the proclamation requirements and consequences for failure to comply.</p> <p>The initial contact by law enforcement or an agency should be primarily focused on education.</p> <p>If a business fails to comply after contact and education, the state agency response would include progressive accountability for continued noncompliance.</p> <p>Law enforcement agencies will determine appropriate actions based on the law enforcement agency policy. It is not contemplated that incarceration would be an alternative unless there was a public safety threat beyond following the proclamation.</p>
<p>Individual or business continues to decline to follow the proclamation after contact by the appropriate state agency</p>	<p>If a business continues to decline to follow the proclamation, they could be subject to criminal charges and/or Consumer Protection Act violations.</p> <p>The case will be referred to local law enforcement for potential criminal citation or referral to the prosecuting attorney for criminal charges and/or referral to the Attorney General's Office for review for a Consumer Protection Act violation.</p> <p>For liquor license businesses, the LCB may potentially consider criminal citations in addition to the license sanctions for continued non-compliance.</p>	<p>The local law enforcement is the appropriate referral for calls about individuals or private groups/gatherings.</p>	<p>Contact by the local law enforcement/ Attorney General's Office for enforcement action is a last resort when there is a continuing public health concern due to non-compliance with the Governor's proclamation. The goal of the contact is to encourage voluntary compliance.</p>

City Hall
Tonasket, WA 98855

May 5, 2020

To Whom it may concern,

I'm writing to formally register my disappointment and disagreement with the mayor and city council members who met in city hall last Tuesday for the City Council meeting. Our governor has issued a clear directive that this kind of gathering is not allowed at this time. To set a good example for our town, and to keep our citizens healthy, I would hope our city officers would follow the protocol set by our state. Besides the illegality itself of the meeting, since the council chambers are not well suited for wifi, it was very difficult to follow the meeting by phone when the mayor and council members in that room were speaking. I did hear our city clerk remark during the meeting that she felt uncomfortable having to open up the chambers for the meeting, and I felt all the more frustrated that she would be put in that position.

Please let's set a better example in the future!

Sincerely,



Debbie Roberts
13 Hoot Owl Lane
Tonasket, WA 98855
droberts8487@gmail.com