

McCleary City Council

April 4, 2007 – Recessed Regular Meeting

The regular recessed Council meeting of March 28, 2007 was reconvened at 7:00 PM on April 4, 2007. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bentley with the flag salute.

Roll Call: Wallace Bentley, Mayor
Council Members: Vessey, Boling, Vatne and Hays

Staff Present: Attorney Glenn, Administrator Nutley, Police Chief Crumb, Deputy Clerk Rush, Public Works Crew Foreman Baun, Treatment Plant Operator Merryman, and Engineer Elliott of Parametrix

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to excuse Councilwoman Lake. Carried.

It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Hays, to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting as distributed. Carried.

Mayor Bentley reported on the remodeling going on at City Hall, and noted that work being done will help the City to comply with ADA.

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne to continue to support the moratorium on development to the north of the City enacted by the Grays Harbor County Commissioners. Carried. In the workshop held prior to the regular meeting, there were reports on the beginning studies by the State Department of Health on the City's aquifer located in the area of proposed development. Grant funding has been obtained for the study based upon the fact that its results could benefit other small Washington communities facing the same growth issues as McCleary now faces.

Administrator Nutley thanked Foreman Baun and his crew for the reconstruction and repairs of the City's antique locomotive in Beerbower Park.

Engineer Elliott reported on a water loss problem at the reservoir. Pumps were accidentally left on recently, and gallons of water were lost. He said there is money in the 2007 Budget for a "Scada" alarm system for the reservoir which would reduce the chances of a repeat of this type of incident. He would like to see the purchase of the alarm system.

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Boling, that Mayor Bentley be authorized to sign the STP grant application for Summit Road improvement following staff review. Carried.

Administrator Nutley reported that the McCleary Planning Commission would like to have a new "work plan." Mayor Bentley has proposed that the Commission turn its attention to the following areas and, assisted by City staff and consultants, provide comments and/or recommendations to the City Council on the following items:

- 1) Update the 1997 Parks and Recreation Plan,
- 2) Develop a landscape plan for the Community Center due to the recent removal of diseased trees,
- 3) Review and hold a Public Hearing on the Development Standards adopted by the Council in October 2006,

4) Review the annual update of the City's Six Year Street Plan.

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to confirm the proposed Work Plan for the Planning Commission. Carried.

Foreman Todd Baun gave a report on his recent meeting with a representative from the Salmon Recovery Funding Board regarding salmon recovery. As part of the meeting, they walked Wildcat Creek which flows through the city. They agreed that the creek supports the spawning of salmon such as Coho, Chum and Steelhead. He passed out photographs of the stream and outlined some of things that could be done to make Wildcat a "fish friendly creek." SRFB offered the City a grant of at least \$64,000.00, together with a 15% City match, which could be used for this project. The submission of the grant application must be made by April 6. It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to authorize Mayor Bentley to sign the grant application once it is complete. Carried.

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to approve Attorney Glenn's attendance at the annual WASMA meeting, with McCleary funding 20% of the costs incurred. Carried.

Resolution No. 533 entitled, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NAMING OF CERTAIN RIGHTS OF WAY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS, was introduced. It was moved by Councilman Boling, seconded by Councilman Vatne, that the resolution be read by first and last lines only. Carried. It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 534 entitled, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING BY REFERENCE A COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF McCLEARY, was introduced. It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Boling, that the resolution be read by first and last lines only. Carried. It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 534 entitled, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPECIFIC ACQUISITION SPECIFICATIONS IN CERTAIN BIDDING PROCEDURES TO BE CARRIED OUT, was read in its entirety by Attorney Glenn. It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Vessey, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Hays, that the vouchers be paid as audited. Carried.

Mayor Bentley stated that the City is definitely looking at a lot of new issues, and looking at some old issues in a new light.

Councilman Vatne thanked staff for his new chair which will help his mobility at meetings, and Councilman Vessey thanked Foreman Baun for his work on the salmon recovery issue. Councilman Hays said he is gathering information from citizens regarding the City's new logo, and will report at the next meeting.

Janet Strong said she is pleased with the City's plans for salmon recovery, and said that she felt possible vandalism of the project could be avoided through educational efforts at the school.

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Boling, that an executive session of approximately 20 minutes be held on personnel and possible litigation issues. Carried.

It was moved by Councilman Boling, seconded by Councilman Vatne, that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.