

CITY OF McCLEARY

**September 2, 2009
Recessed Council Meeting**

FLAG SALUTE	The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with the Flag Salute.
ROLL CALL	Mayor Wallace Bentley, Councilmembers Boling, Vessey, Vatne, Hays, and Lake. All present.
ABSENT	None
STAFF PRESENT	Attorney Glenn, Administrator Nutley, Clerk-Treasurer Collins, Police Chief Crumb, Public Facilities Manager Baun, Engineer Jon Hinton
ABSENCES	No Action
MINUTES APPROVED	It was moved by Councilmember Boling, seconded by Councilmember Vatne that the minutes be adopted as distributed. Motion Carried.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Citizen Penny Challstedt spoke regarding a letter she sent to the Councilmember's regarding individual meter fees, which include separate ambulance charges for each meter. She asked if the usage type for her business could be researched so she wouldn't have to pay the additional fees attached to her meter. City Attorney Glenn stated he would have the City Clerk research whether hostels, bed and breakfasts, etc., may have a different occupancy use.
COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT	Councilmember Vatne commented on the new format of the meeting minutes. He likes the new format and stated they are easier to read and locate specific items.
MAYORS REPORT	Mayor Bentley commented on the efforts of staff and to deal with the community changes that are occurring, including the continued efforts of the Police in dealing with the missing minor. He appreciates the staff and their hard work.
STAFF REPORT	Administrator Nutley gave an update on the Simpson Sidewalk Project. We received official notice from Washington State Department of Transportation we are getting an additional \$100,000. We are still reviewing the scope of the project. At the next meeting we should have an amendment to the 6-year street plan.
TRAVEL APPROVAL	Motion made to grant Attorney Dan Glenn's request for the City to reimburse part of his travel expenses for training will be taking in Spokane to satisfy our WCIA requirements. The fulfillment of the requirements saves the city 5% in our yearly fee. It was moved by Councilmember Boling, seconded by Councilmember Vatne, that the request be accepted. Motion Carried.
BID AWARD - HYDROSEEDING FOR BEERBOWER PARK	Request to award the bid to hydroseed Beerbower Park to Davis Hydroseeding and Strawblowing, Inc., in the amount of \$7,250.69, including Washington State sales tax. It was moved by Councilmember Vessey, seconded by Councilmember Vatne, that the bid to hydroseed goes to Davis Hydroseeding and Strawblowing. Motion Carried.
BID AWARD - AUTOMATED METER READING	The staff recommends that the Mayor be authorized to negotiate a contract and purchase electric meters, meter upgrades, related equipment, software and training from General Pacific, Inc., of Portland, Oregon. It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne to authorize the Mayor to purchase an automated meter reading system and equipment from General Pacific, Inc., not to exceed \$150,000 in the Light & Power Fund. Motion Carried.
GRANT APPLICATION	There is 100% federal stimulus money we can apply for that could cover two possible projects. Since it's stimulus funding, the two big elements that will be scored on are the readiness to proceed and how many jobs the projects will create. The reservoir project is about a \$200,000 project, depending on what we find when we get involved with it. The stormwater project will cost around \$550,000 - \$600,000, but it will take about 6-8 months to prepare. The reservoir will probably be our better choice due to it being the least expensive and will create more jobs. It was moved by Councilmember Vatne seconded by Councilmember Lake to authorize the Mayor to apply for ARRA funds, with no local match, through the Public Works Trust Fund, for the reservoir project. Motion Carried.

CONTRACT AMENDMENT 13-DEED SEARCH	The city has discovered that it has deeds and easements that are not accompanied by maps and the legal descriptions are too complicated to figure out which properties are conveyed. The staff recommends to have our engineers research the legal descriptions and provide a map of each property. It was moved by Councilmember Vessey, seconded by Councilmember Boling to authorize the Mayor to sign Contract Amendment 13 with Gray & Osborne in the amount not to exceed \$1,795.00. Motion Carried.
RESOLUTION NO. 595	The Wellhead Protection Plan is part of the water system plan. More specific boundaries were drawn during the work on the aquifer issue by the consultants. The updated plan was reviewed by the State Department of Health. Once it is adopted by the Council, it is automatically given a special designation under the County's zoning code to help protect the wells. It was moved by Councilmember Vatne, seconded by Councilmember Vesse to adopt Resolution No. 595 to use the updated well protection plan, which was reviewed by the State Department of Health. Motion Carried
RESOLUTION NO. 596	The City recently purchased Brookside Park, which is adjacent to the cemetery. In researching funding for that purchase, it was learned that if the City had a Cemetery Capital Improvement Plan, funds from the Real Estate Excise Tax Fund (REET) could be used for cemetery improvements. The Comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) does not include either the previously adopted CIP for parks or a CIP for the cemetery. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on these issues and recommended the Council adopt it as part of the City's comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan. It was moved by Councilmember Vatne, seconded by Councilmember Boling to adopt Resolution No. 596 to include both Cemetery and Park and Recreation Capital Improvement Plans in the city's comprehensive CIP. Motion Carried
RESOLUTION NO. 597	On March 11, 2009, the Council raised the Ambulance Fee to \$7.75 to cover the anticipated contract cost and the \$15,000 start up loan from the Current Expense Fund. The rate increase was not implemented, due to error, causing a deficit in the Ambulance Fund. The Finance Committee met in August and recommended the quickest way to correct the deficit is to borrow \$17,500 from Light & Power, allowing both an immediate loan payoff to Current Expense and funds to cover the current deficit. It was moved by Councilmember Vessey seconded by Councilmember Lake to adopt Resolution No. 597 for an interfund loan for \$17,500 from the Light & Power Fund to the Ambulance Fund. Motion Carried.
TENTATIVE ORDINANCE NO. 759	An introduction Ordinance. We are the beneficiary of grants and loans this year for projects that will have expenditures. This Ordinance would increase the Streets Budget by \$100,000 and the Water Budget by \$105,000. It will also adjust the BARS codes in the original Ordinance for the stormwater fund, which is only a technical correction. A tentative Ordinance No. 759 is issued until the next meeting.
VOUCHERS	It was moved by Councilman Boling, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to pay the vouchers. Motion Carried.
MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS	<p>The Mayor stated when passing Resolutions and Ordinances, it is policy that staff should read and follow activation dates. We need to be careful to not be careless. Attorney Glenn gave an update on the Quimby vs. City of McCleary Lawsuit. The case is going to last until next week and we should hear the decision at that time.</p> <p>Councilmember Vessey will be meeting to discuss the garbage rates. Both he and the Mayor were able to see the bucket truck the city staff has been using for the highline poles. It was very impressive and could meet the city's needs much better than our present truck. The company is offering this demonstrator truck to us for approximately \$162,500. A recent fire could have been fought more effectively if we had this bucket truck at the time. Ms. Nutley informed the Council there is a program for loans through the State Treasurer's office. The Mayor asked her to research this program.</p> <p>Mr. Vessey asked citizen Mr. Dent what he was referring to when he stated he was going to clean up messes around the city when they spoke recently on the phone and Mr. Dent responded by saying if he's elected, time will show.</p> <p>Citizen Lorretta Simpson asked if we still have a curfew. Chief Crumb stated we do and it's from midnight to 5:00 am. She doesn't like seeing children out at that time of night. The Mayor doesn't agree with it either but we can't govern other peoples' children.</p> <p>Councilmember Hayes asked to be excused from the next meeting. No action was taken.</p>

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EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:15 pm it was moved by Councilmember Vessey, seconded by Councilmember Boling to have an Executive Session on personnel salaries and update on labor contracts for 15 minutes. No action will be taken.

ADJOURNMENT 8:27 pm Council meeting back in session. It was moved by Councilman Boling, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to adjourn the meeting until September 23, 2009. Motion Carried.