

CITY OF McCLEARY

March 14, 2007
Regular Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bentley with the flag salute.

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

Staff Present: Administrator Nutley, Deputy Clerk Rush, and
Engineer Cole Elliott of Parametrix

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

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

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to confirm Mayor Bentley's appointment of Sally Muolder to the McCleary Library Board. Carried.

There were no objections from Council members to the granting of a liquor license to Gordy's Pizza.

Administrator Nutley reported that she will not be at the next regular Council meeting, as she will be attending the annual meeting of the NW Regional Management Spring Conference, sponsored by the WCCMA.

It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Vessey, to authorize the Mayor to sign a WWTP maintenance contract with Harbor Ventilation for one year. Carried.

It was reported that the City will be working with the Grays Harbor Master Gardeners and Don Tapio, WSU Extension Agent, on designing and implementing a landscaping plan for the newly logged property behind the Community Center.

Engineer Cole Elliott reported that several months ago the I & I flow at the WWTP was at 40%. Testing just done shows a rate of 17%. Engineer Elliott said the positive reduction was indicative of the work that Vern Merryman and Jon Ehresmann have done. He said the preconstruction meeting held today on Summit Place II went well, and that Foreman Todd Baun will be heading up the inspections as work progresses. Finally, he reported that Kelly Stanton now wants to move ahead on his RV Park project on his property located directly across SR#8 at the east exit. Administrator Nutley said she had just received the wetland delineation report.

Police Chief Crumb gave his report. In answer to a question from Councilman Hays, Chief Crumb agreed that there is definitely increased traffic because of the Summit Place I development. Councilman Hays said he would like to see some "Children at Play" signs posted.

Administrator Nutley presented the Council and citizens present, with a total of five logo designs for them to consider. The logo selected will be used by all departments at the City—office, police, utilities,

etc.—on items like stationery, business cards, vehicles, and identification cards. There was no charge from the designer who did the work. Council members discussed the designs. Councilman Hays said he would like to see more public input on the issue. It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Boling, to accept Logo Design #4 as the new City logo. Roll call showed Councilmen Vessey and Boling voting in the affirmative, and Councilmen Vatne and Hays voting against. Mayor Bentley broke the tie with a yes vote. Carried. Although the decision had been made, Councilman Hays said he would take responsibility to distribute copies to local businesses to solicit public comments.

It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Vatne, that the Mayor be authorized to sign a contract with EDC for 2007. Carried. The expenditure is included in this year's budget.

Administrator Nutley read a Proclamation prepared by Timberland Regional Libraries: "The Big Read; Timberland Reads Together." It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Vessey, that the City adopt the proclamation. Carried.

Resolution No. 532 entitled, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN FOR THE CITY AND RATIFYING ANY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE CITY IN RELATION THERETO, was introduced. Administrator Nutley explained that a Capital Improvement Plan for all utilities needs to be adopted for certain grant eligibility (particularly Federal funding.) The plan had been prepared previously by Parametrix, but never actually adopted by the City. She pointed out that the plan can be easily modified and updated when necessary. It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Hays, 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.

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

Planning Commission Chairman Evert Challstedt thanked Administrator Nutley and Deputy Clerk Rush for the new notebooks prepared for the Planning Commission.

Tim Hamilton reported that he had hosted a meeting of his neighbors regarding development as relates to the City's aquifer north of the city. He said they are looking forward to informational open house on March 22.

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