

CITY OF McCLEARY

July 25, 2007
Regular Council Meeting

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

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

Staff Present: Attorney Glenn, Administrator Nutley, Police Chief Crumb, Clerk-Treasurer Rostedt, Deputy Clerk Rush, Facilities Manager Baun, Water/Wastewater Manager Merryman, and Engineer Cole Elliott of Parametrix

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

It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Boling, to approve the minutes as distributed. Carried.

Mayor Bentley congratulated Clerk Rostedt on receiving the 2007 WFOA Finance Officer Award for the 18th year.

Administrator Nutley gave an internet presentation on the progress in creating a City website.

Administrator Nutley reported that there was a City staff debriefing on Bear Festival, and a lot of good ideas came out of the meeting. Also, it was agreed that Councilman Boling will begin attending Bear Festival meetings as the City's representative.

There was a discussion of a request from David and Sylvia Beshears to purchase Parcel 618051421008, owned by the City, which until recently contained an electrical substation. The property is bordered on two sides by their residential property. The current Assessed Valuation of the parcel is \$18,000.00. Council members were reluctant to sell the property that might be used in the future—perhaps as a new well site. It was moved by Councilman Boling, seconded by Councilman Vatne, not to sell the property in question. Carried.

There is \$5,000.00 in the 2007 Budget to pay for engineering for paving the rest of the parking lot behind City Hall which is presently gravel—dusty in summer and muddy in winter. It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Boling, to approve the Scope of Work prepared by Parametrix and the expenditure of \$7,063.00 for the study. Carried.

In the 2007 Budget, \$60,000.00 was allocated for the electric substation cutover, but did not include the \$16,000.00 project to close the underground loop on McConkey. It has been determined that the McConkey loop project should be undertaken this year because of continuous outages in the area. Also, there is a lot in a new short plat where the power must be moved to allow the owner to construct his home. When the short plat, where the lot lies, was approved by the County, the City of McCleary was not notified. So the City was unaware of the problem until just recently. It was moved by Councilman Boling, seconded by Councilman Vatne, to reallocate funds from the Cutover Project to complete the McCleary Loop Project. Carried.

Resolution No. 541 entitled A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES AS TO DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY, 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 Vatne, seconded by Councilman Boling, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Administrator Nutley referred the Mayor and Council to the six month 2007 Budget Report, and said she felt positive about the figures as presented.

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

It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Boling, to hold an executive session of approximately 10 minutes regarding negotiations with Rural Fire District No. 5. Carried.

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