

CITY OF MCCLEARY
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, April 14, 2010

FLAG SALUTE The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL Mayor Dent, Councilmember's Boling, Ator, Lant, Schiller, and Geer.

ABSENT Councilmember Lant. It was moved by Councilmember Schiller, seconded by Councilmember Geer to excuse Councilmember Lant's absence. Motion Carried.

STAFF PRESENT Public Works Director Nick Bird, City Attorney Dan Glenn, City Clerk/Treasurer Wendy Collins, Police Chief Crumb, Public Facilities Manager Todd Baun, and staff members Mick Schlenker and Jennie Reed.

MINUTES APPROVED Motion made by Councilmember Boling and seconded by Councilmember Ator to approve the minutes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Planning Commission Chair Jeff Catterlin made a statement to the City Council in support of having the previous city clerk, Donnie Rostedt, coming back to assist in reworking the budget figures and assisting the new staff members with assistance. Ms. Rostedt was an employee of the city for 35 years and has a great deal of knowledge and experience she can share. Mr. Catterlin stated she is capable and honest and he can't think of a more qualified person to assist in reworking the budget.

Leif Nesheim, Editor and General Manager of the Vidette, introduced himself and spoke in support of the open meetings act, which is currently an issue a neighboring city.

Virginia Mohny made a complaint regarding the utility pole that was positioned in the middle of the front window of her home, which is her living room. She asked that it be addressed because she doesn't want it to affect her future home value. She said she wanted it documented, if it hurts the value of her home, she will sue the City.

Joy Iverson wanted to inform the Council that Renee Dunham from Mark Reed Hospital offered to come to a meeting to address questions and concerns regarding the hospital move. Councilmember Schiller spoke in favor of her coming.

Mr. Carnell stated he used to be a builder and assured the Council and residents that utility poles that had to be placed on someone's property should never be positioned in front of a living room window and obstructing their view.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Dent spoke regarding the transmitter issue and stated he is not interested in putting out any money toward it at this time, even though it does have some capabilities that could be useful.

The Mayor requested the Council to approve to reappoint Nancy Koeppen to the Planning Commission. Resident Jeff Catterlin spoke in favor of Nancy by stating she has done a good job on the Planning Commission and looks at everything openly and fairly. Everett Chalstedt also spoke in favor of Ms. Koeppen by stating he worked with her for 10 years and he has first-hand experience in knowing she does a good job. It was moved by Councilmember Boling, Seconded by Councilmember Ator to approve the reappointment of Nancy Koeppen to the Planning Commission. Motion Carried.

Mayor Dent said the budget is looking a little better due to major spending cutbacks and only making necessary purchases during the first quarter of 2010. He is continuing work on a potential replacement budget.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Glenn included information in his memo to the Council regarding the transmitter topic. He asked the Councilmember's to read through it at their leisure and give their feedback.

Mr. Glenn also included detailed information regarding executive sessions under the OPMA and the matter of confidentiality. He again, urged the Council to read through the information.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Provided for Council to review.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Mayor asked for nominations to appoint to the Finance Committee. It was moved by Councilmember Schiller, seconded by Councilmember Boling, to nominate Councilmember Ator. It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Boling, to nominate Councilmember Schiller. Roll call taken. All Councilmember's voted in the affirmative. Appointments approved.

SHORT PLAT VS LONG SUBDIVISION

The Council will discuss this at a future meeting.

PROGRESS ESTIMATE #1

During the construction phase of the Simpson Sidewalk Project, Nick Bird will be giving monthly Progress Estimates where we pay the Contractor for the work that has been completed. A copy of the Progress Billing Form is included in the packet for Council to review. It was moved by Councilmember Schiller, seconded by Councilmember Geer to authorize the Mayor to pay Progress Estimate #1, when reimbursement has been provided by WSDOT and/or TIB. The amount to be paid is \$68,621.07 and the amount to be deposited in the retainage account is \$3,611.64. Motion Carried.

SIMPSON SIDEWALK CHANGE ORDER #2

After placement of the curb and gutter, it appears there are a variety of locations with a negative slope to the gutter line. A positive slope can be provided by saw cutting further out in the street. It was moved by Councilmember Boling, seconded by Councilmember Geer to authorize the Mayor to execute Change Order #2, when prepared, which includes the work listed above as item #1 for an amount not to exceed \$6,141.50. Motion Carried.

SIMPSON SIDEWALK CHANGE ORDER #3 An issue arose when working on the planter strips and slope. It will be very difficult to mow on the steep slope and, for maintenance purposes, the City staff would like to see a smooth, linear slope. The contractor will need to excavate and dispose of approximately 84 cubic yards of additional material. Work will include additional excavation, trucking, and disposal of the removed material. It was moved by Councilmember Boling, Seconded by Councilmember Ator to authorize the Mayor to execute Change Order #3, when prepared, which includes the work listed above as Item #1 for an amount not to exceed \$2,260.00.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS There were no vouchers to approve at the meeting. They will be available at the next meeting.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS None.

PUBLIC COMMENT Staff member Jennie Reed spoke in confidence regarding Donnie Rostedt and her assistance in working on the budget and assisting city staff. She is aware there was a letter written in opposition of Ms. Rostedt's assistance and she wants everyone to know that she has known Donnie for over 35 years and knows her to be an honest person. She also stated she has her own personal reasons for being in support of the Mayor reworking the current adopted budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION None.

ADJOURNMENT At 7:29 pm, It was moved by Councilmember Ator seconded by Councilmember Boling to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.

Mayor Gary Dent:

Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Collins:
