

CITY OF McCLEARY

February 28, 2007
Regular Council Meeting

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

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

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

It was moved by Councilman Boling, seconded by Councilman Vatne, that the minutes of the last regular meeting be approved as distributed. Carried.

McCleary Library staff member, Gordon Easley, introduced Karen Kienenberger, who will be filling the spot left by Mary Thornton who is now Head Librarian at the Hoquiam TRL. He also left fliers, book marks and magnets listing the new hours for McCleary TRL beginning March 1.

Mayor Bentley reported that he had received a letter from Paul Custis stating his interest in the vacant Planning Commission position. It was moved by Councilman Vessey, seconded by Councilman Boling, to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Paul Custis to the McCleary Planning Commission. Carried. Evert Challstedt, Chairman of the Commission, said he would be setting up an organizational meeting for next week.

Mayor Bentley reported on the following:

- 1) Ambulance meetings with Rural Fire District #5 are continuing.
- 2) He congratulated the McCleary School District on passage of their levy.
- 3) March 22 there will be an educational open house at the school gym to disseminate information as relates to the city's sole source aquifer north of town.

Administrator Nutley referred Council to her lengthy staff report covering many of the small and large projects she is presently working on.

Engineer Elliott reported that the final review of Summit Place II is progressing. He also reported that a sedimentation complaint at Cedar Heights is being dealt with.

Police Chief Crumb gave his monthly report.

Administrator Nutley reported on the necessary emergency e-mail repairs that had to be dealt with to complete the infrastructure for our city wide computer system. It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Vessey, to approve a bill from Technology Tamers in the amount of \$4,500.00 for these repairs. Carried.

Administrator Nutley reported on the six month moratorium on development over the City's aquifer north of town, which was passed by the County Commissioners at their meeting last week. Representatives of the City, County and residents in the area in

question have already met, together with a neutral facilitator and staff from the Department of Health and Evergreen Rural Water. Based upon this meeting, a plan of action has been proposed. A major component of this plan is to provide as much information as possible to McCleary citizens regarding the aquifer. To that end, Evergreen Rural Water, at no cost to McCleary, will gather the necessary information to set up for the open house at McCleary Grade School on March 22. Local residents will be invited to the open house. Newly prepared maps were passed out to everyone showing the boundaries of the aquifer.

It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Boling, to support the liquor license application for the new owners of Mike's Market. Carried.

There was a discussion of current cemetery fees as relates to the opening and closing of graves. Currently the City of McCleary charges \$428.00 for opening, and the box and vault company charges an additional \$300.00 for set up and closing. That is a total cost to the family of \$728.00. It has been suggested that the entire process be handled totally by the box and vault company at a reduced rate to the family. Administrator Nutley went over the pros and cons of making such a change. Attorney Glenn will draw up a resolution for Council consideration.

Resolution No. 529, entitled A RESOLUTION ADOPTING STANDARDS BY REFERENCE IN RELATION TO DEVELOPMENTS AND SYSTEMIC IMPROVEMENTS OR MODIFICATIONS WITHIN THE CITY; REPEALING RESOLUTION 527; & PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, was introduced. It was moved by Councilwoman Lake, seconded by Councilman Vessey, to read the resolution by first and last lines only. Carried. It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Vessey, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 530 entitled A RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO LOCATION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S SPECIAL PROJECTS CONSTRUCTION SITE, was introduced. It was moved by Councilwoman Lake, 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. 531, entitled A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY IN RELATION TO THE CITY'S APPLICATION FOR GRANTS FOR EMERGENCY AND DISASTER ASSISTANCE FUNDS FROM FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES, INCLUDING A PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA), was read in its entirety by Attorney Glenn. It was moved by Councilman Vatne, seconded by Councilman Vessey, to adopt the resolution. Carried.

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

Councilman Hays asked staff about the antique train in Beerbower Park that needs to be put back together. Todd Baun said the previous administration gave the go ahead to tear it down, but money promised to repair it was not forthcoming. It was moved by Councilman Hays,

seconded by Councilman Boling, to authorize repairs to be completed in 30 days at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00. Carried.

Mary Stalcup, Tim Hamilton and Lori Mansmith all thanked Mayor Bentley and Administrator Nutley for the meetings with the County, the residents and the facilitator to hopefully educate the public and find a consensus on future development, as well as the new regulations in the entire city. Gene Mansmith asked about the enforcement of any CC&R's for pest management. He was told that normally the property owners need to police their neighbors, but an education program is the key. Mary Thornton suggested that the local Boy Scouts might want to take on an educational program as a project.

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