

CITY OF MCCLEARY
City Council Meeting
Wednesday, July 8, 2020

FLAG SALUTE	Mayor Orffer Called the Council Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
ROLL CALL	Councilmembers present were, Amsbury (by phone), Huff, Heller, Blankenship and Iversen. The meeting was held at the McCleary Community Center.
ABSENT	None.
STAFF PRESENT	Present at the meeting were Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Collins and Director of Public Works Todd Baun with City Attorney Chris Coker and Police Chief Steve Blumer attending via Webex.
PRESENTATION	Josh Martin from Summit Pacific Medical Center gave an update on the Blue Zones Project, which is postponed until spring or summer of 2021. He announced on September 19th there will be a new bike ride event. The City will post the flier on the front door of city hall.
PUBLIC HEARING	The public hearing for the six year street plan opened at 6:46 pm. With no comments from the public, the hearing closed at 6:48 pm.
MAYOR'S COMMENTS	<p>The city had two fire calls on July 4th. The fireworks stand sold everything in their stand this year.</p> <p>Mayor Orffer is excited to participate in the Summit Pacific hosted bike ride event.</p>
PUBLIC COMMENT	None.
MINUTES APPROVED	It was moved by Councilmember Iversen, seconded by Councilmember Huff to approve the minutes from the June 24, 2020 meeting. Motion Carried 5-0.
APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS	<p>Vouchers/Checks approved were 47923 - 47965, including EFT's in the amount of \$39,192.48.</p> <p>It was moved by Councilmember Blankenship, seconded by Councilmember Iversen to approve the vouchers. Motion Carried 5-0.</p>
COVID EXPENDITURES REPORT	A report of all covid fund expenditures was provided for the council to review. Wendy ran a comparison of the county tax revenue from January through June for the years 2019 and 2020 and the revenue is right on track. The county extended the property tax deadline to June 1st. The city appears to be in good shape and we are being mindful of expenditures. The city chose to not hire summer help, which will be a savings to the budget.
STAFF REPORTS	Staff reports were provided by the public works department and the finance department. Councilmember Amsbury requested an update on the building, nuisance, and planning activities for the next meeting.
CITY ATTORNEY REPORT	Chris Coker is available for any questions regarding agenda items.

COVID-19 UPDATE

The governor paused phase movement so Grays Harbor County is on hold in phase 3. Facial coverings are now mandated state-wide and the governor is requiring businesses to enforce the rule of face masks. Mayor Orffer emailed his office because she is upset over this decision. Emergency operations are extended through September.

CITY LOANS/BOND REFINANCE

Banner Bank came in with the lowest interest rates for two of the three loans. Councilmember Iversen was happy there is no requirement to move the city's banking to Banner Bank so they can stay with their current bank, Umpqua Bank. The bond council fee and the loan fees will be added to the loans. Mayor Orffer thanked both Wendy and Todd for their work on refinancing the city loans. **It was moved by Councilmember Iversen, seconded by Councilmember Blankenship to authorize staff to move forward with Banner Bank on refinancing the sewer loan, water loans, and the fire station property loan. Motion Carried 5-0.**

COMPUTER LEASE

It was moved by Councilmember Blankenship, seconded by Councilmember Heller to authorize the Mayor to sign the Dell three-year lease to purchase 33 city computers for all city employees and certain vehicles in the amount of \$36,935.24. Motion Carried 4-1 with Councilmember Amsbury voting against.

2019 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Wendy Collins completed the annual report in May and it is officially submitted to the State Auditor's website. She worked in partnership with a representative from BIAS on the preparation so there was adequate cross-checking. **It was moved by Councilmember Iversen, seconded by Councilmember Huff to approve the 2019 Annual Financial Report. Motion Carried 5-0.**

RESOLUTION 731 - SIX-YEAR STREET PLAN

It was moved by Councilmember Huff, seconded by Councilmember Iversen to adopt Resolution 731 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A SIX-YEAR STREET PLAN FOR THE CITY OF MCCLEARY. Resolution Adopted 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilmember Iversen has been appointed to the Grays Harbor Hospital District Board. She spoke to the City Attorney and the Hospital Attorney to make sure there is no conflict with her being on the City Council and she was assured there was not a conflict. From here forward, when any hospital decisions come in front of the city council, she will recuse herself. The Mayor, City Council, and staff congratulated her.

Councilmember Iversen received her AWC CML Certification. Again, she was congratulated for her hard work and achievement.

Councilmember Huff asked if the city could take down the banner sign in the park for who murdered Lindsey Baum. With the Council in agreeance, Mayor Orffer will have staff remove it and contact the County Sheriff's Office on where to return it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:25 pm, Mayor Orffer called for a 15 minute executive session to discuss collective bargaining per RCW 42.30.140(4)(b). No action will be taken when the council meeting resumes. The executive session ended at 7:40 pm and the Council requested an additional 15 minutes. The executive session began at 7:41 pm and ended at 7:56 pm.

ADJOURNED MEETING

It was moved by Councilmember Huff, seconded by Councilmember Blankenship to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 PM. The next meeting will be on August 12, 2020 at 6:30 PM. Motion Carried 5-0.

Mayor Brenda Orffer:

Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Collins:
