

CITY OF MCCLEARY
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, April 11, 2018

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| ROLL CALL AND FLAG SALUTE | Councilmembers Orffer, Huff, Heller, Blankenship and Iversen were in attendance. |
| ABSENT | Mayor Schiller was on vacation so Mayor Pro Tem Orffer Chaired the meeting. |
| STAFF PRESENT | Present at the meeting were Director of Public Works Todd Baun, Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Collins, Police Chief Steve Blumer, and Attorney's Dan Glenn and Sharon English. |
| PUBLIC HEARING | None. |
| EXECUTIVE SESSION | None. |
| VOUCHERS | Accounts Payable checks approved were 44187- 44232 including EFT's in the amount of \$144,884.38. Payroll checks approved were 44127- 44130, 44176 - 44186, and 44233 - 44243 including EFT's in the amount of \$159,827.88. Bank reconciliation for March 2018. It was moved by Councilmember Huff, seconded by Councilmember Heller to approve the vouchers. Motion Carried 5-0. |
| MINUTES APPROVED | It was moved by Councilmember Iversen, seconded by Councilmember Huff to approve the minutes from the meetings held on March 28, 2018 and April 4, 2018. Motion Carried 5-0. |
| PUBLIC COMMENTS | None. |
| MAYOR COMMENTS | Mayor Pro Tem Orffer stated that Mayor Schiller was away on a well-deserved vacation and she will be Chairing the meeting. The next Council meeting will be held at the community center building. The City will be honoring Dan Glenn, as it will be his last meeting with the City. Mr. Glenn has been serving as City Attorney for 36-years. The community is all invited to attend. |
| CITY ATTORNEY REPORT | Dan Glenn provided a written report for the Council. |
| DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT | Todd Baun received a grant award from TIB for the 3rd Street Project in the estimated amount of \$273,000 and asked for authorization from the Council to have Mayor Pro Tem Orffer sign it. It was moved by Councilmember Blankenship, seconded by Councilmember Heller to authorize Mayor Pro Tem Orffer to sign the grant award from TIB. Motion Carried 5-0. |
| MANUFACTURED HOME ISSUE REFERRAL DATE | Todd Baun announced the Public Hearing is scheduled for May 1st at 1:30 pm and will be held at City Hall. |
| CRITICAL AREA ORDINANCE UPDATE | It was moved by Councilmember Iversen, seconded by Councilmember Blankenship to authorize staff to forward the critical area ordinance to the Department of Commerce. Motion Carried 5-0. |

THURSTON PUD WELLS
DISCUSSION

The City received a letter from Thurston County PUD regarding a proposed transfer of water systems from PUD No.1 of Thurston County to the City of McCleary. They own over 200 water systems in Western Washington. They have three water systems outside of their service area and they would like to offer us first right of refusal for purchase of the wells. This has been in discussion for a few years and the PUD is reaching out again in an effort to come to a deal. They are willing to entertain discussions to enter into a contract to sell the City the water systems, with their associated water rights, subject to applicable law and Board approvals, under specific terms. Gray & Osborne is looking into it and will advise the City on whether this will be beneficial to the City. Dan Glenn added that these are orphan water systems and it would be at a cost to the City to operate and maintain and would not be a significant revenue source for the City, however, it would be additional water for the City. Todd will have an updated report on this after he hears back from Gray & Osborne.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilmember Huff asked Todd Baun if a stop sign could be installed on 5th Street at the Maple Street intersection where people come down the hill. He was asked to inquire about it because the hedges are too high to see around when people are in smaller vehicles.

Councilmember Blankenship asked if the sidewalk in Cedar Heights passed inspection and Todd Baun said it did. This issue is finally set to rest.

Councilmember Huff asked if the State owns the street with the crosswalk between Beerbower Park and the old motorcycle shop. Todd answered that the State does own it. Councilmember Huff asked if there has been any talk about improving the safety for that crosswalk by adding flashing lights. He said it is hard for people driving to see walkers when it is dark out. He asked if any of the Council would be interested in working with the State on getting flashing lights on that corner to prevent someone from getting hit. Councilmember Iversen agreed and said it is the busiest intersection in town. Dan Glenn stated Elma is having a similar issue and he suggested using flags for the interim. Todd will talk to the Washington State Department of Transportation engineer.

Sue Portschy said there is bad flooding in the yard on Simpson and 6th Street. She said the house is starting to settle badly. Todd will check it out.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.