

CITY OF MCCLEARY
Regular City Council Meeting and Council Workshop
Wednesday, October 25, 2017

ROLL CALL AND FLAG SALUTE	Councilmembers Richey, Peterson, Ator and Blankenship were in attendance. Councilmember Orffer arrived at 7:07 pm.
ABSENT	None.
STAFF PRESENT	Present at the meeting were Todd Baun, Wendy Collins, Chief Blumer and Dan Glenn.
PUBLIC HEARING	The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on the final preliminary budget at 7:00 pm. The Public Hearing closed at 7:03 pm.
EXECUTIVE SESSION	At 6:35 pm, Mayor Schiller called for an executive session to discuss union negotiations per RCW 42.30.110 for 15 minutes. At 6:50 pm the Council requested an additional ten minutes. The executive session ended at 7:00 pm.
MINUTES APPROVED	It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Richey to approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 11, 2017. Motion Carried 4 -0.
VOUCHERS	Accounts Payable checks approved were 43361 - 43427 including EFT's in the amount of \$172,554.68. It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Peterson to approve the vouchers. Motion Carried 4-0.
MAYOR'S COMMENTS	
PUBLIC COMMENT	None.
CITY ATTORNEY REPORT	Dan Glenn provided a written report for the Council.
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT	Todd Baun stated the power failure we experienced was due to the Simpson mill having an issue. Mr. Baun asked for everyone to be mindful of the rainy and windy weather. It causes leaves to fall and clog storm drains around town. It would be helpful if everyone would try to keep the storm drains cleared when they see leaves and debris building up.
LEMAY RATE INCREASE	The Council asked for confirmation of the 2.98% rate increase. Our contract allows for up to 8% of the CPI so Lemay is increasing their rate 2.38%. Mayor Schiller asked the Council to consider the requirement of having garbage service in McCleary. Our residents have the perception that it is another utility bill they have to pay. The residents have a lot of financial pressure over the utility rates. The Council has the authority to change the ordinance and not require everyone to have garbage. We have code enforcement now and can follow-up on residents that become a nuisance. Prior to implementing our current ordinance, garbage was a big issue. Mayor Schiller suggested the Council think it over as a way to ease some of the burden of the rate payers.
BPA OUTAGE	The bushings on a transformer is going bad and BPA requested the City support a city-wide outage so they can fix the issue. By doing so, it could avoid a catastrophic failure, which could cost days or weeks of power loss. The short overnight outage will prevent an emergency failure later. The City posted it around town, mailed a notice to all rate payers and posted on City website.
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT BOARD (TIB) GRANT	The City is going to apply for a grant to help with our match for our 3rd Street Project. TIB has a program that gives small cities matching funds for federally funded projects. It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Peterson to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute the application for the TIB Small City Federal Match Program. Motion Carried 5-0.

CITY SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY Todd Baun provided information on social media policies for the Council to review and consider. They City needs to have a social media outlet to notify the residents of important information pertaining to the City. The outages are something that would greatly benefit by sharing on a social media platform. Staff will work with Dan on creating a social media policy.

MOBILE HOME PLACEMENT
DISCUSSION Councilmember Blankenship had asked to have information regarding mobile home placements. He stated at the last meeting, a question was brought up about mobile homes going into a R-1 zone. After further research, he found you can't restrict them from going in. He thinks this is something the Council might want to discuss.

TAX LEVY ORDINANCE **It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Peterson to adopt Ordinance 836 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REGULAR TAX LEVY FOR THE YEAR 2017 FOR COLLECTION IN THE YEAR 2018; MAKING FINDINGS; AND RESERVING RIGHTS. Roll call taken in the affirmative. Ordinance Adopted 5-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENT Mayor Schiller announced there is a ballot drop box in Elma now.

 The fire at Mark Reed Hospital is still under investigation so there is no information that can be provided at this time.

 Councilmember Ator emphasized the storm drain issue and said it helps make a difference if everyone would do their part in cleaning out the ones around their home.

 Councilmember Orffer asked if there was any progress on the sidewalk and Todd Baun said their contractor is scheduled to start next week.

 Chief Blumer stated the police department was recently audited by WCIA and they received no findings and had a clean audit.

MEETING ADJOURNED **It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Orffer to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 6:30 pm. Motion Carried 5-0.**