

CITY OF MCCLEARY
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 13, 2013

ROLL CALL AND FLAG SALUTE Councilmember's Reed, Ator, Catterlin and Peterson.

ABSENT Councilmember Schiller was absent and asked to be excused. **It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Catterlin to excuse Councilmember Schiller's absence. Motion Carried 4-0.**

STAFF PRESENT Present at the meeting were Wendy Collins, Nick Bird, George Crumb, Paul Nott, John Graham, Chris Mercer and Jon Hinton.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: PROPERTY TAX ORDINANCE, REVENUE SOURCES & PRELIMINARY BUDGET **Public Hearing opened at 7:02 pm on the Property Tax Ordinance, Revenue Sources and the Preliminary Budget.**

Helen Lake asked if the Children's Advocacy Center is budgeted in again this year. She feels very strongly about supporting this great cause. Mayor Dent informed her nothing is finalized yet.

The Mayor Closed the Public Hearings at 7:03 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT Jacob Simmons asked about the nine acres on Summit Road and what the plans were for it. Mayor Dent explained the property was purchased for a future fire station, if the city grows larger. Mr. Simmons was interested in purchasing the property.

Susan Carroll informed the Council of the Chamber awards dinner on November 21, 2013 at the VFW Hall. She encouraged everyone to please log on to the Chamber website and vote for the various award categories.

MINUTES APPROVED **It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Reed to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2013 Council Meeting. Motion Carried 4-0.**

MAYOR'S COMMENTS None.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT Dan Glenn provided the Council with a draft ordinance regarding I 502, the marijuana sales ordinance. The legislature is working with the Liquor Control Board on licensing aspects of the initiative, along with other issues. Council is encouraged to read the ordinance and consider extending the current moratorium.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT Nick Bird has provided a written report for the Council.

SIMPSON TRACK & TUNE **It was moved by Councilmember Catterlin, seconded by Councilmember Ator to accept the Simpson Track & Tune offer. Nick Bird will prepare the agreement and bring it to the Council. Motion Carried 4-0.**

Mayor Dent commented regarding Halo Steel and when they first approached the City, the City would be the official regulatory agency and they estimated \$200 million dollars in development. The Mayor stated the McCleary site is the only one they are interested in. They wanted to start with 8-10 production lines and making as many as 1800 people working a day. The Mayor is convinced it is going to happen even though it is a gamble.

Councilmember Catterlin believes they are waiting to see what happens with the Keystone Pipeline. Mayor Dent said he did ask Tim Gibbs that question and he said that the pipeline will not make a difference.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 6 **It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Reed to authorize execution of change order no. 6 for the Well Field Improvement Project for the deduction of \$7,891.64 from the contract amount. Motion Carried 4-0.**

FINAL PROGRESS ESTIMATE
NO. 11 WELL PROJECT

It was moved by Councilmember Catterlin, seconded by Councilmember Peterson to authorize payment of Progress Estimate No. 11 to Award Construction in the amount of \$28,819.25 and deposit \$1,393.58 into the retainage account and accept the required contract work by Award Construction as complete contingent upon verification of Affidavits of Wages Paid by the Director of Public Works and resolution of the minor telemetry issue confirmed by the Director of Public Works. Motion Carried 4-0.

LEMAY GARBAGE RATE

Tabled until Council can review.

COASTAL COMMUNITY ACTION
PROGRAM AGREEMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Reed to accept the vendor agreement for the Low-Income Home Heating Assistance Program with the Coastal Community Action Program. Motion Carried 4-0.

BIAS SERVICE AGREEMENT &
COST

It was moved by Councilmember Catterlin, seconded by Councilmember Peterson to accept the 2014 Service Agreement with BIAS Software in the amount of \$8,448.03. Motion Carried 4-0.

GHCOG DUES

It was moved by Councilmember Catterlin, seconded by Councilmember Reed to approve the membership with the Grays Harbor Council of Governments and pay the membership dues of \$6,210.00 for 2014. Motion Carried 4-0.

TAX LEVY REFUND

In 2013, the legislature changed the law affecting taxes that are either refunded and/or cancelled after the original levy was set. This new law allows districts to levy a refund levy to recover taxes that were refunded and/or cancelled during the last twelve months. The net refunds/cancellations for the year from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013 that can be recovered through a refund levy in 2014 for the "District Levy" for McCleary is in the amount of \$1,193.94. **It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Peterson to authorizes the City of McCleary to certify a/an Basic refund levy collectable in 2014 in the amount of \$1,193.94 to recover net refunds/cancellations. Motion Carried 4-0.**

2014 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Councilmember Catterlin reported he had a productive meeting on the budget with Mayor Dent. He would like to see a meeting with all of the Council present where they could bounce ideas off the Mayor and each other that might be helpful for the budget. The Council planned a workshop for Monday, November 18, 2013 at 2:00 PM.

PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Based upon actual information provided by the Office of the County Assessor, the City's actual annual ad valorem levy amount from the previous year was \$244,726.00 and a 1% increase would equal \$2,447.00. **It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Reed to adopt Ordinance No. 798, to increase the regular tax levy by the authorized one percent, for an estimated levy in the amount of \$247,173.00. Roll Call taken in the affirmative. Ordinance Adopted 4-0.**

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Accounts Payable vouchers/checks approved were 37140-37192 including EFT's in the amount of \$49,321.09.

Payroll vouchers/checks approved were 37043-37139 including EFT's in the amount of \$184,033.31.

It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Reed to approve the vouchers. Motion Carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Reed to recess the meeting at 7:50 PM. The next meeting will be November 20, 2013 at 7:00 PM. Motion Carried 4-0.

Mayor Gary Dent:

Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Collins: