

**CITY OF MCCLEARY**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 6, 2013**

ROLL CALL AND FLAG SALUTE      Councilmen Catterlin, Lant, Reed, Ator and Schiller.

ABSENT      None.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**MARIJUANA MORATORIUM**

The Public Hearing opened at 7:01 PM. Dan Glenn gave an overview of why the City has a current moratorium on marijuana and why they are extending it. Even though the State passed an Initiative for marijuana use, the Federal Government has not approved it. The McCleary Police are subject to federal sanctions since the federal law will not support marijuana use and sales. Mayor Dent does not want the police to be put in a compromising position of following State Law and not Federal Law.

Joy Iverson agreed the City should wait until a decision is made federally to protect our Police Officers.

Councilman Catterlin asked how Chief Crumb felt about the issue. Chief Crumb is completely against the sale of marijuana and feel it's another devise to pollute the mind of people. He has no problem with medical marijuana but feels recreational use is disgusting. Councilman Lant agrees they do not need another impairment among people when responding to aid calls. Officer John Graham witnessed a failure to pass a sobriety test due to marijuana use. The person acted just like an intoxicated driver.

The Public Hearing closed at 7:11 PM.

**REGULAR MEETING**

STAFF PRESENT      Present at the meeting were Dan Glenn, Wendy Collins, Nick Bird, George Crumb, and John Graham.

PUBLIC COMMENT      James Rigney spoke regarding a billing mistake that took place when he paid his utility bill a few months back. The issue was immediately corrected and he was notified of the correction but he is still frustrated with his lack of trust with the staff and what he can expect as an improvement. Wendy Collins explained how the issue occurred and staff has worked with both the software company and the credit card company to make sure it will not happen again, which it hasn't.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS      Mayor Dent announced the appointment of Paul Nott as the new Fire Chief for the McCleary Fire Department.

The City has hired a new Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager, Kevin Trehwella. Kevin will start on March 18th.

Chief George Crumb asked the Council to authorize a Police grant for 2 sceptor units that allows an officer to swipe the I. D. card and it automatically downloads the information in to the ticket, allowing the officer to spend a portion of the time it normally takes and the information will be exactly as it appears on the identification card, making for a safer, faster, and more accurate traffic stop. The only cost associated outside of the grant will be for the rolls of print paper used for the tickets. **It was moved by Councilman Lant, seconded by Councilman Ator to authorize the Police Grant renewal. Motion Carried 5-0.**

MINUTES APPROVED      **It was moved by Councilman Schiller, seconded by Councilmen Ator to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2013 meeting. Motion Carried 5-0.**

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Dan Glenn provided a memo for the Council and is available if they have any questions. Mr. Glenn pointed out the Building Official MOU is included in the packet. It was implemented some months ago and because it's a short-term MOU, it does not need to be approved by the Council, however, the Mayor wants them to be aware of it and to let them know it will be phasing out.

Mayor Dent is concerned about filling the Building Official position because it is funded completely out of current expense. He is not willing to fill a position whose salary is completely funded from current expense until things improve.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Nick Bird stated the bid package for the replacement transformer has been prepared. Bids will open on March 14, 2013. He will present the bids for award at the following meeting.

Nick Bird asked the Council what their needs are for the Council meeting lap tops. The Council agreed to have a reader unit that will allow them access to email and save paper, staff hours and eliminate the bulky binders. Cost is an issue but if it will pay for itself in two years, Councilman Catterlin would be for it. Councilman Lant wants to read what is on the agenda and respond to emails in a timely manner. Council agreed it needs to be simple and cost effective. Dan Glenn reminded the Council that all emails are considered a public record. Mr. Glenn stated Montesano purchased I Pads for their Councilmember's. Staff will review options and report back to the Council.

WELL NO. 1 DEMOLITION & DECOMMISSION

**It was moved by Councilman Lant, seconded by Councilman Reed to authorize staff to prepare Change Order No. 3 to demolish and decommission Well No. 1 at a cost of \$9,500. Motion Carried 5-0.**

WELL PROGRESS ESTIMATE NO. 6

**It was moved by Councilman Catterlin, seconded by Councilman Lant to authorize payment of Progress Estimate No. 6 to Award Construction in the amount of \$139,310.82 and deposit \$6,736.50 into the retainage account. Motion Carried 5-0.**

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ORDINANCE NO. 792 BUDGET AMENDMENT

**It was moved by Councilman Catterlin, seconded by Councilman Schiller to adopt Ordinance 792 Adopting a supplemental budget for the calendar year 2013; amending Ordinance 788 as to certain particular elements; and declaring an emergency. Roll call taken in the affirmative. Ordinance Adopted 5-0.**

ORDINANCE NO. 793 MARIJUANA MORATORIUM

**It was moved by Councilman Lant, seconded by Councilman Schiller to adopt Ordinance 793 readopting and extending the moratorium on the establishment of medical cannabis/medical dispensaries and collective gardens; making findings and adopting by reference definitions and findings, establishing a work plan, and declaring an emergency. Roll call taken in the affirmative. Ordinance Adopted 5-0.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Helen Lake asked if there was an update on the Ardyce Taylor fraud trial. Mayor Dent stated she should be sentenced on March 11, 2013.

Terry Franklin asked if the Council is intending to look at the reports she spoke about at the last meeting regarding the aquifer. She wanted to know why we are not going with the written recommendations in the report. Nick Bird responded by saying he has not had the adequate time to review the reports thoroughly so he cannot respond. His plan is to read them in the near future.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Accounts Payable vouchers/checks approved were 36040-36097 including EFT's in the amount of \$285,505.64 and 36098-36133 including EFT's in the amount of \$120,726.84.

**It was moved by Councilmen Ator, seconded by Councilman Reed to approve the vouchers. Motion Carried 5-0.**

MEETING ADJOURNED

**It was moved by Councilman Lant, seconded by Councilman Ator to recess the meeting at 7:59 PM until March 27, 2013 at 7:00 PM and cancel the March 13, 2013 meeting. Motion Carried 5-0.**

Mayor Gary Dent: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Collins: \_\_\_\_\_