

City of Cle Elum
Regular City Council Meeting
November 10, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Glondo at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Members present included Bonnie Reay, Ron Spears, Arthur Scott, Warren Perry, Mickey Holz, Ken Ratliff and Jim Eidemiller. Also present were City Administrator Gregg Hall, City Planner Matt Morton, and Police Chief Scott Ferguson.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Jim Eidemiller and seconded by Mickey Holz to approve the agenda as presented.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Bonnie Reay and seconded by Ron Spears to adopt the consent agenda as presented which included the minutes of the October 28th City Council Meeting; vouchers and warrants numbered 27061-27116 in the amount of \$548,467.95; payroll warrants numbered 19412-19458 in the amount of \$ 76,793.75; voided warrants numbered 27020-USKH- in the amount of \$23,275.83 and 27026-Gordon Derr-\$27026 in the amount of \$7,923.50. Progress Estimate No.: 3-MRM Construction-\$41,281.06; Progress Estimate No.: 5 Belsaas & Smith-\$322,066.99. Motion Carried.

Officer Reports

City Administrator Gregg Hall did not have a report.

City Planner Matt Morton did not have a report.

Police Chief Scott Ferguson had no report.

Public Works Director Jim Leonhard and Fire Chief Dave Campbell were absent.

Citizen Comments

None

Public Hearings

2009 Budget:

City Administrator Hall:

Reviewed the priorities reflected in the proposed budget.

The 2009 budget as drafted included a 2.5% increase in water and sewer rates, he noted if there is a surplus at year end they will be banked for 2010 in the event of a shortfall. A cost of living increase for staff. Construction of playground equipment /public restrooms at the city park, hopefully another police officer and animal control with proposition 2 funds, reconstruct a portion of Railroad Ave. with distressed sales & use tax from Kittitas County, improvements of progress path with grant funds, and noted the Kittcom budget is down 43,000.00 from the previous year but jail cost are up \$20,000.00. Bonnie Reay commented the increase in water and sewer rates is a serious issue at this time.

Arthur Scott inquired about the recovery of capital costs of the plants in the budget. G. Hall said the city does have a separate capital improvement element.

The mayor opened the public hearing for public comment at 7:12 p.m. There were no public comments. The next public hearing on the proposed 2009 budget will be on November 25th. City Engineer Jeff Louman will be in attendance.

Public Appearances

Todd Davis-Program Coordinator-Noxious Weed Board

Proposed a county wide program for the prevention and control of weeds. The cost would be \$3.85 annually per parcel. Gregg Hall said the county commissioners would be having a public hearing and requested input from the city.

A motion was made by Jim Eidemiller and seconded by Bonnie Reay to approve/endorse the noxious weed board program. K. Ratliff said this would raise taxes \$3.85. B. Reay inquired about the year as 2010. Eidemiller withdrew his motion.

A motion was made by Arthur Scott and seconded by Ken Ratliff to not endorse the proposal. A poll vote was taken: B. Reay-no; R. Spears-yes; A. Scott-yes; W. Perry-yes; M. Holz-yes; K. Ratliff-yes; J. Eidemiller-yes. 6-yes-1-no-Reay Motion Carried. G. Hall will draft a letter to the Kittitas County Commissioners.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Contract for Professional Services with Erin Anderson:

A motion was made by J Eidemiller and seconded by Arthur Scott to approve the professional services contract and authorize the mayor to sign. Motion Carried

Agreement for Staffing Services:

A motion was made by Mickey Holz and second by Ron Spears to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement for staffing services so the City can proceed(at no cost to the city) to conduct environmental review and bring back a final, formal and complete annexation request back to the City Council for consideration. Motion Carried

Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance No.: 1296-Approving the Bradford A Page 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendment
And Rezone Request.

**A motion was made by Ken Ratliff and seconded by Mickey Holz to adopt Ordinance No. 1296-
approving the Bradford A. Page 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezone Request. 6 yes, 1
no (R. Spears) Motion Carried.**

Resolution No.: 2008-32-Purchase Agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services for a grader.

**A motion was made by Arthur Scott and seconded by Mickey Holz to approve Resolution No. 2008-32
with checking/ comparing a lower interest rate. Motion Carried.**

Committee Reports:

Ron Spears said the hotel/motel committee would be meeting to discuss the applications for 2009
Budget.

J Eidemiller complimented the school district for the Veterans Day Program.

Mayor Glondo requested a meeting be scheduled for the Economic Development Committee (Mickey,
Bonnie & Warren).

A motion was made by Warren Perry to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. The next regular scheduled
meeting Tuesday November 25th at 7:00p.m.



Attest


Mayor