

X City of Cle Elum  
Regular City Council Meeting  
14-September 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Charles Glondo. Members present included Bonnie Reay, Ron Spears, Jay McGowan, Jim Eidemiller, Ken Ratliff, Warren Perry and Mickey Holz. Also present were City Administrator Matt Morton, City Attorney Mike Kenyon, Public Works Director Jim Leonhard, Police Chief Scott Ferguson and City Clerk Toni Fields. Fire Chief Campbell was absent but submitted a written report.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

***A motion was made by Jim Eidemiller and seconded by Jay McGowan to approve the meeting agenda as presented with the addition of: Progress Estimate No. 2-Pipken Construction-Railroad St. Project-\$ 133,011.17-Consent Agenda; Frisbee Golf-Public Appearances and the addition of real estate to the executive session. Motion Carried.***

Consent Agenda

***A motion was made by Jim Eidemiller and seconded by Mickey Holz to accept the Consent Agenda as presented which include the minutes of the August 10, 2010 meeting, August 20<sup>th</sup> and August 27<sup>th</sup> special meetings and Progress Estimate No.:2-Railroad Street Improvements-Pipken Inc. -\$133,011.17. Vouchers and checks numbered 30105-30149 dated August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in the amount of \$102,942.31, payroll checks in the amount of \$73,869.85; vouchers and checks numbered 30150-30216 dated September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in the amount of \$231,112.04 payroll checks in the amount of \$99,498.70. Motion Carried.***

Officer Reports

City Administrator Matt Morton reported:

- RFP for garbage services has been published
- Reviewed the revenue impact of initiatives 1100-1105 on the city & guidelines for elected and appointed official participation in any ballot proposition activity.
- WCIA (city insurance provider) audit was conducted with the city being in compliance.
- The Cowboy Shooters Event at the horse park was successful.

Public Works Director Jim Leonhard

- Progress Path Project is making good progress.
- Railroad Street Project is progressing.
- Three employees will be attending bucket truck training next week.
- He will be attending a session put on by FEMA regarding damage assessment.
- Announced Chuck Pasquan will be retiring. City has received 33 applicants for the position.
- Fall Cleanup will be October 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>

Police Chief Scott Ferguson:

- Activity was low for Labor Day
- Pig Out was successful.

Chief Campbell was absent but submitted a report-7 fire, 17-EMS, 2-meetings and 3-trainings.

Citizen Comments

None

Public Hearings

**Ordinance No.: 1334-Garbage Collection-costs & fees for delinquent accounts.**

Matt Morton said this ordinance would amend CEMC for the purpose of collecting on delinquent garbage accounts via the court. This would allow costs of collection be passed on to the delinquent party.

The hearing was opened to public comment at 7:13 p.m. There were no public comments.

***A motion was made by Jay McGowan and seconded by Ken Ratliff to adopt Ordinance No.: 1334-authorizing the city to recover costs and legal fees incurred in the collection of delinquent fees and penalties related to garbage collection. Motion Carried***

**Declaring Surplus Property & Authorizing an RFP for Real Estate Services:**

Matt Morton said at a previous meeting, council directed staff, upon reconvening the meeting after an executive session and on public record, prepare a resolution declaring identified properties surplus and authorizing the mayor to issue an RFP for real estate services to select a real estate professional to assist the city in maximizing the properties sales potential.

The hearing was opened for public comment at 7:14 p.m. Jim Fossett asked if the city hall property was being sold. Matt Morton said there was no plan set in stone. There were no further public comments.

Ken Ratliff question: on the resolution Section 1.Surplus Property#3 property-W. Second/SR903 Cle Elum, Washington approximately 4.72 acres and including two rental homes Kittitas County Parcel No. 10995presently zoned (PR) Public Reserve. Zone change in process to ( R ) residential. He commented "we are not voting on this change to residential?" M. Morton answered no and said that should not have been in there. and strike that from the record ,zone changes will be for the highest and best use. **A**

***motion was made by Mickey Holz and seconded by Ron Spears to pass Resolution No.: 2010-17-Declaring surplus property and authorizing an RFP for real estate services with a correction to parcel three: striking the words Zone change in process to residential. Motion Carried***

**Closed record public hearing for updates to CEMC18.01-Critical Areas Protection-Ordinance No.:1335:**

Matt Morton said the critical areas update was required by Washington Cities Insurance Authority, the city's insurance carrier to amend the city of Cle Elum critical areas ordinance to comply with best available science and to add a reasonable use exception to avoid a takings lawsuit/damage claim.

The hearing was a closed record hearing meaning the public was unable to make comment. Kathy Reed, Wetland Scientist from the Dept. of Ecology, a party of record, said the proposed update to the critical areas ordinance recommended by the planning commission was the minimum required. She said the best science practices require you to study the species in critical areas. In order for you to establish buffer zones those species require. The amendment on the table does not require that level of study.

Matt Morton commented the planning commission stuck with what was interpreted at that time the absolute minimum to avoid confusion as on the west side of the state. He said council had the options of: passing as is; adopt entire table as ecology presented or sending back to planning commission. **A motion was made by Mickey Holz and seconded by Ron Spears to send the ordinance back to the planning commission. Motion Carried.**

Public Appearances

Ryan Johnson gave a presentation on Frisbee Golf and outlined a course that is proposed near the Hanson Ponds. **A motion was made by Jay McGowan and seconded by Bonnie Reay to proceed with the details for the course. Motion Carried.**

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Committee Reports

None

The executive session was announced at 8:02 p.m. by Mayor Glondo for pending litigation and real estate. He said there would be no action taken during the session but upon reconvening action is anticipated on pending litigation and no action on real estate. The session will last approximately 20 minutes. The meeting reconvened at 8:28 p.m. Mayor Gondo said no action was taken during the session.

**A motion was made by Ken Ratliff and seconded by Ron Spears to direct the Mayor and staff to enforce the terms of the existing development agreement with Suncadia. Motion Carried.**

There was no further business. **A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by Warren Perry to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m.** The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday September 28th at 7:00 p.m.

  
Mayor

  
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