

City of Cle Elum
Regular City Council Meeting
November 9, 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 and Mickey Holz. Also present was City Administrator Matt Morton, City Attorney Mike Kenyon, Police Chief Scott Ferguson, Public Works Director Jim Leonhard , City Treasurer Sandy Sutton and City Clerk Toni Fields.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Jim Eidemiller and seconded by Mickey Holz to adopt the consent agenda as presented which included the minutes of the October 26th meeting ; vouchers and checks numbered 30379-30442 in the amount of \$173,539.32 plus \$192,321.21; payroll checks in the amount of \$96,931.75 and Progress Estimate No.2-Summit General Contractors-Progress Path-\$90,525.47.

Motion Carried

Officer Reports

City Administrator Matt Morton:

- City staff has been searching for ways to save the city money-doing better with less
- City will be advertising a RFQ for city engineering services.
- Saturday Dec 4th will be Christmas in Cle Elum

Public Works Director Jim Leonhard

- Reminded citizens streets and alleys have to be kept free of vehicles for winter plowing
- City crew will be short two employees for a week because of surgeries
- Has hired Bryson Simplot to replace Chuck Pasquan, who retired from the city crew

Police Chief Scott Ferguson

- Updated council on the incident that happened in Roslyn on October 8th
- Has purchased equipment-cameras & digital recorder with grant funds
- Provided traffic control for the Halloween parade
- Received many applications for the Record Techs position at the police dept. Karen Krahenbuhl is retiring next year
- Introduced Ron Snyder as the new animal control officer

Fire Chief Dave Campbell was absent

Citizen Comments

Craig Nevil-addressed the current inflation problem. He said with the lower interest rates the city should organize a committee to look at infrastructure funding.

Public Hearings

Amendment to the 2010 Budget:

City Treasurer Sandy Sutton reviewed the amendments to the 2011 Budget-Current Expense-state auditors will require only legally restricted revenue may be placed in Special Revenue Funds- requiring the city to move three funds to the current expense-Drug Enforcement, police reserve and fireman's park. Also Rob Omans has created a schedule for computer replacement. The city needs to purchase

four new computers this year and a new laptop. Attorney fees have been more than budgeted so funds are needed to be moved from sales tax contingency CD to carry the general fund expenditures through the end of the year.

The horse park expenses are higher than anticipated so developer contributions are increased to pay for additional fees.

Water/Sewer Fund-hydrant water revenue is more than anticipated so funds were used to pay off grader debt.

Agency fund

Revenues and expenditures are higher than budget.

A motion was made by Mickey Holz and seconded by Jay McGowan to adopt Ordinance No.: 1335- Amending the 2010 Budget. Motion Carried.

2011 Budget

Mayor Charles Glondo read his letter of transmittal for the 2011 Budget for the City of Cle Elum- He said all the funds are in balance. Priorities reflected in the budget are: delivery of exceptional services to our citizens will be maintained at their current level in 2011, no proposed increase in water or sewer rates, expected decrease in garbage rates, one percent increase in the existing property tax rate, no cost of living raises for union or non union employees; if there is a surplus at year-end it will be banked for shortfalls in 2012; also there will be stand-by plans to address funding shortfalls should they occur. The hearing was opened for public comment at 7:35 p.m. There were no public comments. The hearing was closed at 7:36 p.m. Another public hearing will be held at the November 23 council meeting for the 2011 budget.

Public Appearances

Chamber of Commerce Monthly Report:

Ryan Muncy, Chamber President, reported the chamber participated in a tourism promotion event in Puyallup. The chamber is working with the Vision Committee for Christmas in Cle Elum. The newsletter is being published in the Tribune and the afterhour's event will be happening monthly. The chamber has been working with the Ellensburg Chamber for county wide tourism.

Gary Hammons, Vision Cle Elum Industry Committee, gave a report on purpose and goals of the committee.

Louis Musso and Wendy Smith, Vision Cle Elum Main Street Committee, gave a summation of what was done over the summer.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Professional Services Contract with Encompass-WUCC Contract

Administrator Morton told council city staff has worked on a process for the City of Cle Elum to update, amend and bring current its Water Service Area to match the UGA. This will be funded 100% by property owners. Bonnie Reay felt this was a conflict of interest. ***A motion was made by Jay McGowan and seconded by Mickey Holz to authorize the Mayor to sign a professional services agreement with encompass for the WUCC Contract-4-yes, 1-no Bonnie Reay –Motion Carried***

Railroad Street Project Change Orders

Public Works Director Jim Leonhard reviewed the four change orders for the Railroad Street Project.

No. 1: additional work related to installation of new water line, No. 2 & 3: payment for storm drainage and roadway improvements between Pennsylvania and Harris Ave., No. 4: payment for additional concrete improvements. These change orders are within the total allocated budget amount for this project. **A motion was made by Jay McGowan and seconded by Bonnie Reay to approve the change orders as presented by Huibregtse, Louman Associates for the Railroad Street Project. Motion Carried**

Ordinance & Resolutions

Amending the Critical Areas Regulations

Administrator Morton said the ordinance was sent back to the planning commission as per council request to consider the comments made by ecology. This is what they had recommended. After discussion it was decided it would be discussed in the executive session.

Committee Reports

Jim Eidemiller said the utilities committee recommended a water bill relief request made by the Jehovah Witnesses in the amount of \$273.41. **A motion was made by Jim Eidemiller and seconded by Ron Spears to approve the credit request from the Jehovah Witness Church in the amount of \$273.41. Motion Carried.**

Mayor Glondo announced an executive session for pending litigation and real estate at 8:35 p.m. He said the session would last approximately 30 minutes with no action would be taken during the session. The meeting was reconvened at 9:10p.m. No action was taken during the session. **A motion was made by Jay McGowan and seconded by Ron Spears to adopt Ordinance No. 1335-Amending the critical areas regulations. 4-yes,1-no(Bonnie Reay). Motion Carried**

A motion was made by Mickey Holz and seconded by Jay McGowan to direct the city attorney to contact counsel for Suncadia to resolve the issue of payment by Suncadia to the city of the salaries for the planner and city administrator and also to negotiate on several other issues with Suncadia. Motion Carried

A motion was made by Bonnie Reay and seconded by Ron Spears to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 p.m. Motion Carried .

The next regular scheduled meeting is November 23rd at 7:00 p.m.


Mayor


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