

City of Cle Elum
Regular City Council Meeting
February 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Jim Eidemiller at 7:00 p.m. Members present included Arthur Scott, Lindsey Ozbolt, Mickey Holz, Jay McGowan, Steven Harper and Ron Spears. Also present was City Attorney Mike Kenyon, Public Works Director Jim Leonhard, Police Chief Scott Ferguson, Fire Chief Dave Campbell and City Clerk Toni Fields.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Arthur Scott and seconded by Mickey Holz to amend the meeting agenda: 1-pull the Public Hearing for the alley vacation at 803 West First & 705 Stuart View, so staff have time to meet with the property owners and address some concerns, 2. add Resolution No.: 2014-002-Lodging Tax Distribution of funds and also an executive session for litigation. Motion Carried

Announcements Awards and Recognition

None

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Jay McGowan and seconded by Lindsey Ozbolt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented which included the minutes of the January 28th, 2014 City Council Meeting, vouchers and checks numbered 34654-34707 in the amount of \$45,352.58; payroll checks in the amount of \$113,431.43 and voided check 34647 as approved by the Auditing Committee. Motion Carried.

Officer Reports

Public Works Director Jim Leonhard-

- Ken Selzler will be attending classes to obtain an Operator II license for the operation of the water plant. Ken Sutton will be retiring this year.
- will be meeting with fisheries and city engineers to discuss a permanent solution with the silt problem at the water intake on the Yakima River.
- reminded downtown business owners independent snow removal contractors need to obtain an city business license and not to put the snow on other property owners land. Also he asked the gutters be kept clean for the drains.

Police Chief Scott Ferguson-

- reported 4,285 calls for service in 2013.
- rise in concealed weapons permits. 92 were processed in 2013, compared to 49 for 2012 being processed.
- reminded residents of the 24 hour parking ordinance is in effect.
- Officers will be attending service training in Ellensburg.

Fire Chief Dave Campbell-

- 24 service calls in January.

- Fire Dept. has received a \$2,000.00 from Life Support for training.

Citizen Comments

Kerri Farnum-Director of Vision Cle Elum- gave an update on the two weather cameras for Cle Elum. She said one will be installed at city hall facing East, the second over by the ball field. The cost to the city will be about the cost to plug in a phone. Vision Cle Elum will purchase the video cameras, wiring and installation. They will be on the Vision Cle Elum website and the City of Cle Elum Website.

Steven Harper inquired if they will store information. Kerri said they will be live feed. He suggested a public hearing to inform the public.

A motion was made by Jay McGowan and seconded Mickey Holz to allow Vision to purchase the cameras. Harper-nay. Motion Carried

Gary Berndt, 100 East Fifth, distributed a handout from Mountain to Sound Greenway dated January 1995 which addresses the Wye area being designated as a park. He said a grant of \$50,000.00 was received from Mountains to Sound for the Wye. He said the area was to be created as a center to welcome people to Cle Elum and be the Trailhead for Six Trails.

Jim Leonhard added the drawings presented at the meeting were concept drawings. Lindsey Ozbolt said " the TIB funding the city had was going to be lost if the city did not have a position to move forward with. Nothing had to be set in stone but the city needed to provide a general location of where a feasible route for this road. There were several extensions granted to utilize these funds that we were not able to do. The change of use for that area will have to go through a public process sometime in the future if council or staff recommends to move forward. "

Ken Ratliff, 804 Roslyn Place, said the history was the Wye area was a trailhead/recreational center. He recalled several different proposals coming through -railroad related things. He also mentioned the pedestrian traffic through the proposed alley vacation by Cashmere Valley Bank. He suggested there should be a reservation for a foot path.

Public Hearings

Alley Vacation-803 West First Street/705 Stuart View Dr.-postponed to 2-25-2014 Meeting

Public Appearances

Kathy Wyborski-231 Sagebrook Lane-Safe Routes to School Grant Funding

She proposed a pathway that would have street lights and would go along South Cle Elum Way. She suggested the city contact the city engineer Terry Alapetri to draw up a grant which would go through public transportation and appeal to the Safe Routes to School Grant and Bicycle /Pedestrian Grant through the WSDOT.

She also proposed four street lights be added to South Cle Elum Way. She said the city can apply for a grant with QUADCO.

It was suggested she contact City Hall and set up a meeting with Jim Leonhard. Jim Leonhard noted the city is a member of QUADCO.

Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce-

- **Amy McGuffin-Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce** gave an overview of 2013 promotions.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

2014 Lodging Tax Proposals-

A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by Steven Harper to adopt Resolution No. 2014-002-Adopting the Distribution of the 2014 Hotel/Motel Fund Grants. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports

None

Mayor Pro-tem Eidemiller announced a 15 minute executive session at 7:50 p.m. for litigation. He said no action would be taken during the session but action is anticipated upon reconvening. The meeting was reconvened at 8:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Jay McGowan to authorize the City Attorney to file litigation against the Greener Frontier Collective and other corresponding entities. Motion Carried

There was no further action to come before the council.

A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by Lindsey Ozbolt to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Motion Carried

The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday February 25, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.



Attest



Mayor Pro-Tem