

City of Cle Elum
Regular City Council Meeting
25-November 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Glondo at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Members present included Arthur Scott, Steven Harper, Lindsey Ozbolt, Mickey Holz, Jim Eidemiller and Ron Spears. Jay McGowan was absent and excused. Also present was City Administrator Matt Morton, Public Works Director Jim Leonhard, City Treasurer Lindsey Vaughn and City Clerk Toni Fields.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Jim Eidemiller to approve the Meeting Agenda as amended to include: scheduled public hearing: Ordinance No. 1422-Repealing CEMC Chapter 13.12.080 Collection of Charges, Establishing a notice charge(Door Hanger Policy) .Motion Carried

Announcements Awards & Recognition

None

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Lindsey Ozbolt and seconded by Arthur Scott to approve the Consent Agenda as presented which included the minutes of the November 10th 2014 special council meeting; vouchers and checks numbered 35614 -35660 in the amount of \$171,244.29 which included voided check number 35650-\$346.00 & corrected check # amount \$3,456.00 .Motion Carried.

Officer Reports

City Administrator Matt Morton:

- new prosecutor for 2015 will be Tony Swartz
- Railroad Street Bypass Roadway had water standing. The reason for this was the area had received 4" of rain and 2" of snow in the past four days.
- Thanked the budget committee and Lindsey Vaughn, City Treasurer for their work on the 2015 budget.
- Announced the Vision Office is moving to the Chamber of Commerce Office on West First Street.
- will be a "Legislative Action Day " on Monday December 8th from 1 to 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. All four local legislators will be available for a public question/answer session.

Public Works Director Jim Leonhard;

- Met at HLA offices in Yakima to discuss the Dept of Health requirements for the water comp update
Police Chief Scott Ferguson and Fire Chief Dave Campbell were absent and excused

Citizen Comments

Kerri Farnum-Vision Cle Elum reported on the county lodging tax meeting in Ellensburg. She reminded that Christmas in Cle Elum is December 6th.

She said the balance in the Mainstreet account for this year is \$135,000.00.

Public Hearings

2015 Preliminary Budget

Matt Morton said this is the first of two required public hearings for the 2015 budget.

The hearing was opened for public comment at 7:09 p.m. There were no public comments. The hearing was closed.

Arthur Scott questioned M. Morton about the "cost pressures" trends that other cities are experiencing. M. Morton responded there are a lot of similarities. He felt the "upper county" was in better shape than the lower county.

Implementation of New Fee Schedule

M. Morton said the rate fees have not been addressed in nine years. This new schedule will reflect an 80 % recovery base.

The hearing was opened for public comment at 7:14. There were no public comments. The hearing was closed.

Ordinance No. 1422-Repealing CEMC Chapter 13.12.080-Collection of Charges - establishing a notice change (Door Hanger policy)

M. Morton said instead of the physical placing of doors hangers ,which involves a lot of staff time, there would be a certified letter stating the delinquent account information.

Steven Harper commented the only exceptions was the verbiage on 14.22-the current law already states-charges unpaid after 30 days shall incur an interest rate allowed by law- he felt the verbiage "at a competitive market rate" sounded better.

Public Appearances

Amy McGuffin-Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce

reviewed the branding process and gave a presentation of the new Vision Cle Elum website.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Notice to Proceed-Contract Agreement with Rodeo City Reroof-City Hall

M. Morton said council had authorized the project at the March 25th, 2014 asked council to authorize him to sign the Notice to proceed effective December 5th and the project will commence ten days after that date.-Lindsey Ozbolt questioned if there is a stipulation for weather concerns. He replied yes *A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Mickey Holz to /authorize the City Administrator to sign the notice with Rodeo City Reroofing LLC. for the city hall reroof. Motion Carried.*

Motion Carried.

Final Progress Estimate/Project Acceptance-- West First Street Resurfacing-Columbia Asphalt & Gravel-\$11,212.67-Resolution No. 2014-015.

Jim Leonhard said Columbia Asphalt has successfully completed the project. *A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Mickey Holz to approve Resolution no. 2014-015-Accepting the West First Street Resurfacing Project as complete. Motion Carried.*

Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance No. 1421-Revised Fee Schedule for Community Development Rates, Fees and Charges. *A motion was made by Jim Eidemiller and seconded by Lindsey Ozbolt to approve Ordinance No. 1421 as presented. Motion Carried.*

Ordinance No. 1422-Repealing CEMC 13.12.80-Collection of Charges -Establishing a "Notice Charge". *A motion was made by Lindsey Ozbolt and seconded by Mickey Holz to approve Ordinance No. 1422 as presented. 5-yes 1-no (Steven Harper)*

Ordinance No. 1423-Adopting A 2015 Salary Schedule for City Employees.

A motion was made by Mickey Holz and seconded by Steven Harper to approve ordinance No. 1423-Adoption of the 2015 Salary Schedule as presented. 5-yes, 1-n o (Arthur Scott)Motion Carried.

Committee Reports

Ron Spears reported he and Councilman Eidemiller attended the Lodging Tax meeting in Ellensburg.

Council Members Comments & Concerns

Steven Harper commented about the businesses shoveling the snow into the streets coordinating with the city for removal. There was no further business to come before the meeting. *A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Jim Eidemiller to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. the next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday December 9th at 7:00 p.m. Motion Carried*


Attest


Mayor