

City of Cle Elum
Regular City Council Meeting
September 13, 2016

Call to Order - Roll Call of Membership

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jay McGowan at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present were Ron Spears, Steven Harper, Mickey Holz, Christine Simpson and Ken Ratliff. Other members present were City Administrator Robert Omans and City Clerk Kathi Swanson. *Mayor McGowan led the meeting with a moment of silence to pay respect to Howard Carlill, who passed away in August.*

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Mickey Holz to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements - Appointments, Awards and Recognition

- a. Mayor McGowan:
 - 1) Appointed Theo Leonard to the Planning Commission
 - 2) Announced the resignation of Lindsey Ozbolt from the City Council
 - 3) Announced the nomination of Linda McRae and Mary Padgett for the Good Neighbor Award for trash pickup on First Street on August 24th
 - 4) The Department of Ecology has awarded the Waste Water Treatment Plant the annual Outstanding Performance Award
- b. Scott Ferguson: Adam Crawford of PSE presented a check in the amount of \$17,000.00 for a grant awarded to the Police Department. The grant will enable the department to purchase radios to replace the aging radio fleet, meeting the needs of the department for the next 10 to 15 years. Chief Ferguson acknowledged Officer John Storch for his role in obtaining the grant.
- c. Council members interviewed applicants Tom Hastings, Burt Okitsu and Warren Perry to fill the vacant council seat created by the resignation of Arthur Scott. Mayor McGowan announced at 6:20 the council would go into executive session for 10 minutes to review the applications. The council reconvened from executive session at 6:31. *A motion was made by Ken Ratliff and seconded by Mickey Holz to nominate Tom Hastings to Position 6 of the City Council. A poll vote was taken: Ron Spears - yea; Ken Ratliff - yea; Mickey Holz - yea; Christine Simpson - Nay; Steven Harper - yea. No other nominations were made. Motion carried.*
- d. The Oath of Office was administered to Tom Hastings by City Clerk Kathi Swanson. Hastings took his seat at the dais for the remainder of the meeting.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Christine Simpson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which included the meeting minutes of August 9, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting; vouchers numbered 37598 through 37654 in the amount of \$192,483.26 for the August 23, 2016 voucher run; voided check #037655 (printed in error - 110 payment); voided check #37656 (printed in error - 110 payment); vouchers numbered 37657 through 37706 in the amount of \$76,426.81 for the September 13, 2016 voucher run; payroll vouchers in the amount of

\$58,203.97 for the August 1 -15, 2016 pay period; and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$103,535.54 for the August 16 - 31, 2016 pay period. Motion carried unanimously.

Officer Reports

City Administration - Robert Omans:

- Reported the airport construction project is underway and should be complete by the end of September.
- Reported a "Complete Street" marketing package has been created and will be mailed to 13 people and 9 state and non-profit organizations that have the potential to nominate Cle Elum to receive grant money.
- Reported the City's Shoreline Master Plan is complete and an ordinance will be brought in front of the Council later on the agenda.
- Reported he is calling references listed in the Planner applications and will be selling up interviews soon

Building Official- Robert Omans:

- Reported the Safeway project and Cabinets Northwest building have started and he has been kept busy meeting with contractors, sub-contractors and doing inspections.

Network Administrator: Robert Omans:

- Reported Noel Communications has completed construction of their fiber into all City buildings; installation and configuration of new equipment at each site must be done before the City buildings will be connected.
- Reported two more council members have City email addresses, bringing the total to 3 council members and the Mayor. Omans asked any other council members needing city addresses to contact him.

Public Works Director - Jim Leonhard:

- No Report

Police Report - Chief Scott Ferguson:

- No report

Fire Department Report - Chief Dave Campbell:

- No report

Citizen Comments on Non-agenda Items

Susie Weis - 640 Wadsworth Loop:

- Stated she is opposed to the Port District.
- Informed the council she is forming a Northern Killitas County Chamber of Commerce and invited council members to a meeting at the Sunset Café on 09/26/16. Weis urged the Council to review how Hotel/Motel money is distributed.

Kelli Connor - 8511 Teanaway Road:

- Reported she is going into semi-retirement from her political activism due to health reasons.
- Reported she is dissatisfied with the Kittitas County Chamber but supports an Upper County Port District.
- Complimented the current council members as being warmer and friendlier than the members from one year ago.

Public Appearances

None

Business Requiring Public Hearings

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- a. Event Application - Cops-n-Cribs: Robert Omans: Omans presented the completed application to Council, noting this has been an event held in Cle Elum in previous years. Steven Harper asked the council to waive any application fees that may be due. Council determined no application fees are required. *A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by Mickey Holz to approve the Event Application/or Cops-n-Cribs scheduled/or 10/08/16 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

Ordinances and Resolutions

- a. Ordinance No. 1456 - Shoreline Master Program - Robert Omans: Presented the finalized ordinance developed from the process which began in 2014. *A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Mickey Holz to approve Ordinance No. 1456. Motion carried unanimously.*

Committee Reports

None

Council Members Comments & ConcernsChristine Heimbigner-Simpson


- Thanked Rob Omans, Mayor McGowan and the Council for their support
- Expressed her sympathy to Kelji Connor and thanked her for positive comments
- Announced the death of Craig Nevil, a good contributor to the community
- Suggested goal setting for the council to better themselves as a council
- Suggested better communication to the community by the City

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by Steven Harper to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. The council members will reconvene at 7:00 pm (09/13/16) for a Joint Tri-City study session in the Tom Craven Room o/the U. S. Forest Service Building, 803 West Second Street. The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday September 27,2016 at 7:00 p.m.



Mayor



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