

City of Cle Elum
Regular City Council Meeting
May 8, 2018

Call to Order – Roll Call of Membership

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McGowan at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present were Tom Hastings, John Glondo, Ron Spears, Steven Harper, Mickey Holz and Ken Ratliff. Beth Williams was absent. *A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by John Glondo to excuse Beth Williams. The motion carried unanimously.* Staff present was City Planner Lucy Temple and City Clerk Kathi Swanson.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by Steven Harper to approve the agenda as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Announcements – Appointments, Awards and Recognition

None

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by John Glondo and seconded by Steven Harper to accept the consent agenda as presented; which included the minutes of the 04/24/18 Regular Council Meeting; Vouchers and Checks numbered 39814 through 39868 in the amount of \$55,458.65; and Payroll Vouchers for 04/30/18 in the amount of \$99,213.98. The motion carried unanimously.

Officer Reports

City Administrator – Robert Omans:

- Absent - No Report

Building Official – Mayor McGowan as provided by Robert Omans:

- Reported issuing 13 building permits during the month of April.
- Reported 5 building inspections during the month of April.
- Reported a busy front counter during the month of April with questions relating to plan reviews.

Network Administrator – Mayor McGowan as provided by Robert Omans

- Reported the City's back-up device has been replaced, providing 6 times more space for back-ups. The old back-up device will be repurposed for video storage.

City Planner – Lucy Temple:

- Reported the Housing & Transportation Elements of the Comp Plan are now underway; a combined Open House was held on 04/16/18. Only 3 written comments were received at that time.
- Reported the Planning Commission has worked to identify potential locations of zoning for and development of multi-family zoning.
- Reported the City has applied for a State RCO grant in the amount of \$305,000 for Hanson Ponds improvements; which will require \$130,500 in matched funds. The City has received commitments from The Shoemaker Foundation and Rotary for \$10,000 each, and an application to the Suncadia Fund for Community Enhancements is pending. Funding from other sources will be pursued.
 - Reported WSDOT has moved their street paving project for Peoh to Oakes from 2020 to 2022.
 - Reported the City was awarded \$725,000 of an \$850,000 grant application for stormwater design and construction as part of the Downtown Revitalization Project. The City applied for a Public Works Board low interest loan to cover the \$125,000 shortfall, which was not awarded; however, the City is in a good position to reapply in a second round of the same Public Works Board in July. Other grant funding will be pursued, as well.
- Reported the City is planning to apply for a CDBG Planning Only Grant to get started on the Hydraulic Modeling component of the General Sewer Plan. The other components of the GSP are the main planning document and the I/I Assessment. Additional funding may be available from the D.O.E during the fall of 2018.

Public Works Director – Jim Leonhard:

- Absent – No Report

Police Chief - Scott Ferguson:

Provided a 1st half summary of Bookings, Citations and Infractions.

Fire Chief – Ed Mills:

- Reported the Department received 34 calls during the month of April, including 4 fires, 27 EMS calls and 2 false alarms.
- Reported he has submitted to the State for licenses for Rescue 511 and backup ambulance 512, which will put both vehicles into full use for EMS.
- Reported the City mechanic is continuing to conduct annual maintenance on all Department vehicles to insure they are in good condition.
- Reported 11 members of the Department will be going to Wenatchee on 05/18 through 05/20 for seminars offered by the Fire Chief Association.
- Reported he and Assistant Chief Henderson will be going to the Washington State Chiefs Conference in Kennewick.
- Reported the Department purchased 22 air packs from Yakima County District 5.
- Reported the Department will be undergoing Wildland Training in Thorp in 5/12/18.

Veolia – Mayor McGowan as provided by William LaRue

- Provided graphs of the Water Plant Flow, Water Plant Run Time, Precipitation, Wastewater Flows and Water versus Wastewater Plant Flows for April 2018 and reported both plants continue to perform very well and are well within permit parameters.
- Reported a slight increase in water production as warmer weather develops.
- Provided pictures of the divers cleaning out the intake wet well.
- Reported the valve on filter #1 failed in early April. Public Works crew members Bryson Simplot, Ken Selzler and Jim Leonhard made the necessary repairs. Pictures of Simplot and Selzler making the repairs were provided in the council packets.
- Thanked Jim Leonhard for his many years of service to the City of Cle Elum, stating it has been a pleasure to work with Jim.

Citizen Comments on Non-agenda Items

Craig Mabie – 313 West Third Street - Friends of the Carpenter Memorial Library: Reported on the many improvements and beautification projects that have been coordinated and paid for by FOCML. Mabie asked the City Council to continue support the library and to keep the library open.

Christine Heimbigner-Simpson – 509 East Third: Reported she was a victim of the spray painting vandalism that happened over the weekend of 05/05/18. Heimbigner-Simpson praised Officers Nick Burson and John Storch for their outstanding professional manner. *At the request of Heimbigner-Simpson, the 3 minors who allegedly vandalized cars, fences and buildings in Cle Elum on or about 05/05/18 apologized to the Council for their actions and promised to continue to help with the cleanup of the spray painted areas. Allan Bridgeman, father of one of the minors, spoke on behalf of the parents, stating they were deeply shocked by their children's actions and all of them will be coming to help clean during the upcoming summer.*

Patsy Preston – 906 West Second: Reported she has obtained 84 signatures on a petition to the City to do a better job of patching potholes. Preston commented that the City has the money to repair the potholes, but not the priority and urged members of the public to identify and report every pothole within the City. Preston offered to volunteer in any way she can to insure potholes are repaired, including researching for grant money.

Public Appearances

Leslie Thurston and Kathleen Horner – Washington State Horse Park: Provided a Power Point presentation to update the Council members on the status of the Horse Park and its upcoming events. At the request of Councilmember Spears, Ms. Thurston will provide State, Local and city tax information to the council. Ms. Thurston provided each Council member a copy of the May 2018 Northwest Horse Source, which included an article on the Washington State Horse Park.

Business Requiring Public Hearings

None

Unfinished Business

a. **Cle Elum Pines West Division II Final Plat Approval:** City Planner Lucy Temple provided an overview of the Final Plat submitted by Pat Deneen. The Annexation and Development Agreement was finalized in 2014. Planner Temple commented that this Type IV application went through the required process, including public hearings with the Planning Commission, City Council and a full SEPA review. Members of the council questioned the fact that no trails were provided for in this application. Tom Hastings commented it is a shame that such maximum density was allowed in this development. The applicant, Pat Deneen, commented the plat is planned with the minimum GMA requirement for Kittitas County. Steven Harper suggested requiring a guarantee through deed or a more durable mechanism to insure that the homeowners will not violate the easement and/or block access to the trails and pathways. Temple read excerpts from the Development Agreement that specifies the requirements for a pedestrian pathway which extends from Denny Avenue and Marian Drive west into the development, across SR 903 and onto Progress Path. *A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by John Glondo to authorize the Mayor to sign the Cle Elum Pines West Division II Final Plat. The motion carried unanimously.*

New Business

None

Committee Reports

None

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Mickey Holz to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday May 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.



Mayor



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