

City of Cle Elum
Regular City Council Meeting
September 25, 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 Beth Williams. Ken Ratliff was absent. Staff present was City Administrator Robert Omans, City Planner Lucy Temple and City Clerk Kathi Swanson. *A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by John Glondo to excuse Ken Ratliff. The motion was carried unanimously. A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by John Glondo to excuse Tom Hastings from the 09/11/18 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.*

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by John Glondo to approve the agenda with the amendment to add Resolution No. 2016-029 under Agenda Item #10, to strike "Discussion Only" under Agenda Item 9a, to move Agenda Item 12 "Adjournment by Motion" to Item 13 and to add "Council Comments and Concerns" to Agenda Item to 12. The motion carried unanimously.

Announcements – Appointments, Awards and Recognition

a. Colman Miller presented the Department of Ecology 2017 Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance Award to the City of Cle Elum, William LaRue, Howard Hamilton and Mike Berline. Mr. Miller noted this is the 10th consecutive year Cle Elum has been presented with this award. Mayor McGowan commented Council Member Tom Hastings should be commended, as well, for his tenure during the ten year span.

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 9/11/18 Regular Council Meeting; Vouchers, Checks and EFTs #40290-40343 in the amount of \$220,785.74; and 09/15/18 Payroll Vouchers in the amount of \$69,283.12. The motion carried unanimously.

Officer Reports

City Administrator, Building Official and Network Administrator: - Robert Omans:

- Announced Phase I of the Downtown Project for the First Street and Peoh Avenue Improvements is underway. The project has been made possible as the result of a Complete Streets TIB grant. Omans publicly thanked Ken Ratliff, City staff and Lucy Temple for their hard work getting the project underway.

City Planner – Lucy Temple:

- Reported the Dollar Tree opening is planned for October.
- Reported the first phase of the Downtown Revitalization First Street and Peoh Avenue began the night of 09/24/18.
- Reported she is reviewing Site & Design, Grading Permit, Floodplain Permit and Variance Application for Tesla.
- Reported reviewing many sign permits.
- Reported reviewing Site & Design for the Warrior Quick Stop car wash.
- Reported reviewing a Variance Application for the Double D Storage unit.
- Reported there was a Pre-application meeting with a private developer for the property located west of the Warrior Quick Stop.
- Reported the Planning Commission continues to hold hearings on development, variances and conditional use permits.
- Reported there is an open Citizen Alternate Position on the Planning Commission.
- Reported there is an open position on the Historic Preservation Commission.

- Reported the planning intern Isaac Anzlovar is back in school and working only part time for the City Planning Department.

Public Works – Mike Engelhart:

- Reported the crew is continuing to fix as many potholes as possible before winter.
- Reported contractors paved the parking area on the north side of the City Park along SR 903.
- Reported all surplus equipment has been posted and will be on the DES website on 09/26/18. Interested parties can visit the City’s website for a link to the auction site.
- Reported the crew is continuing to stripe crosswalks, including Railroad crossings.
- Reported the crew installed a Rapid Flashing Beacon on SR 903.
- Reported L & I Safety and Health conducted inspections at the Sop and City Hall.
- Reported he worked with W.S.D.O.T. to create an 8” line from Stafford to Oakes for a test area to slow traffic and provide a bike lane.
- Reported there is no parking allowed on Railroad Street along the West bound Lanes.
- Reported the crew has repaired 2 major water leaks.

Police Chief - Scott Ferguson:

- No Report

Fire Department – Chief Ed Mills:

- Thanked Life Support for the generous contribution to the enhancement of the Upper County Medical units.
- Reported the Burn Ban is still in effect; Cle Elum follows Kittitas County and will lift the burn ban when the County lifts theirs.
- Nick Henderson, Mark Goodwin and Marlo Frownfelder provided a demonstration of the new cot purchased partially with the \$5,000 donation from Life Support as well as the \$1200 EMS Grant.

Citizen Comments on Non-agenda Items

Ronald Carl Richter, Jr.: Commented nothing has been done to stop the drug addict from hanging around. Commented he will behave himself and will not be back to council to complain; however he will do whatever he wants to do from now on.

Doug Weis – 640 Wadsworth Loop: Read a letter into the record asking for the City’s support regarding his appeal of the Kittitas County Community Development Services Determination of Non-Significance of the Public Facilities Permit for the Kittitas County Public Works Maintenance Facility.

Jerry Martens – Citizens Alliance for Property Rights: Read a letter into the record asking for the City’s support regarding his appeal of the Kittitas County Community Development Services Determination of Non-Significance of the Public Facilities Permit for the Kittitas County Public Works Maintenance Facility. Martens asked that the City work with the County and Citizen’s Alliance to create a vision for the community.

Public Appearances

None

Business Requiring Public Hearing

None

Unfinished Business

- Business License Ordinance Recommendations:** *A motion was made by John Glondo and seconded by Beth Williams to set the threshold at \$5,000, and require individuals making less than \$5,000 to apply for a license but not pay a fee. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Steven Harper to direct Council to make accommodation for Religious and/or non-profit organizations that would like to be recognized as an operating business but cannot, because of moral convictions, accept licensure from the State. The motion died due to*

the lack of a second. Mayor McGowan commented staff will look into what those exemptions can be and seek the advice of the City Attorney.

New Business

a. **Resolution No. 2018-029 – Surplus Public Works Equipment:** *A motion was made by Tom Hastings and seconded by Steven Harper to pass Resolution No. 2018-029 providing for the Disposal of Public Works Vehicles and Equipment. The motion carried unanimously.*

Committee Reports

a. *A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by John Glondo to accept the nomination of Shenna Redding for the 2018 Pangrazi Award as recommended by the Pangrazi Award Committee. The motion carried unanimously. The award will be presented at the 10/09/18 Council meeting where all the nominees will be invited and given certificates of nomination.*

Item Added to Agenda – Council Concerns

a. Council member Steven Harper commented the Airport Committee has met and will continue to meet to discuss the vision for the Airport. Citizen comments will be appreciated and accepted.

b. Mayor McGowan reported he looked into the W.S.D.O.T. notification process for the 903 Chip Sealing Project and found there were issues with the process. Council member Harper commented the City should be more cautious and detailed in the future regarding Variance requests. Mayor McGowan also noted the City staff received no complaints from citizens.

c. Council member Tom Hastings requested a copy of the comments made by the City regarding the Kittitas County Public Works Shop, stating the City Council should be involved. *Lucy Temple responded that only comments on the SEPA application.*

d. At the suggestion of City Planner Lucy Temple, Public Works Director Mike Engelhart asked the City Council to approve a noise ordinance variance for the First Street and Peoh Avenue project for night work during the week of 09/24 through 09/27/18. *A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by John Glondo to approve the Variance as requested. A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by John Glondo to amend the motion to address the times of the Variance as 10 pm to 7 am. The motion carried unanimously. The motion to grant the Variance carried unanimously.*

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Tom Hastings and seconded by Steven Harper to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday October 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.



Mayor



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