City of Cle Elum Regular City Council Meeting October 9, 2018

Call to Order - Roll Call of Membership

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

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Tom Hastings to approve the agenda with the amendment to add HLA Progress Estimate #1 for Advantage Dirt under New Business. The motion carried unanimously.

Announcements - Appointments, Awards and Recognition

2018 Pangrazi Award: Mayor Pro-Tempore Ken Ratliff presented the 2018 Paul P. Pangrazi Award to Shenna Redding, who was nominated by Mike Temple. The award included a plaque, an award certificate and a check for \$1,000.00. Mayor Pro-Tempore Ratliff also recognized nominees Craig Mabie, Ron Jacobson, Charlene Kauzlarich, Amy McGuffin and Rachael Windham, all of whom received Certificates of Nomination.

Consent Agenda

Steven Harper noted a correction to the 09/25/18 minutes on pages 2 and 3 to add "lack of" to the sentence "The motion died due to {lack of} a second". A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by John Glondo to accept the consent agenda as amended; which included the minutes of the 09/25/18 Regular Council Meeting; Vouchers, Checks and EFTs #40344-40402 in the amount of \$154,356.22; and 09/30/18 Payroll Vouchers in the amount of \$137,443.81. The motion carried unanimously.

Officer Reports

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

- Reported water meters continue to be repaired. Currently there are 68 meters still not reporting.
- Reported staff has met with the Budget Committee to review the Budget and a Salary Study.
- Reported McKinstry contacted him to advise the Department of Commerce Energy Grant application deadline has been pushed back from 11/15/18 to 12/31/18.
- Reported receiving 2 estimates for the City Hall remodel which consists of replacing doors with card readers and windows.
- Reported working with U.S. Cellular to replace AT&T and Verizon cell phones, which will save approximately \$150.00 per month. If U.S. Cellular is used as a provider, the City would start out with a \$3,400 credit.
- Reported the First Street and Peoh Avenue Project is a little behind schedule; however, crews will be working on Fridays to catch up. All needs and concerns of the business owners in the construction area have been addressed.
- Reported the City has issued 87 Building Permits and collected \$106,807.16 in permit fees to date in 2018. These numbers compare to 48 permits and \$26,417.69 permit fees collected in 2017

City Planner -Lucy Temple:

No Report

Public Works - Mike Engelhart:

- Reported he has been replacing street signs around the city.
- Reported he assisted with a sanitary survey conducted at the Water Treatment Plant by the Department of Health.
- Reported he and the public works crew are preparing the equipment for winter.
- Reported he and the public works crew are continuing to patch potholes.
- Reported he and the public works crew are trimming trees around the alleys and roadways to ensure visibility for the plow drivers.
- Reported most of the surplus public works equipment has been sold for a total of \$24,780. The remainder of the equipment will be posted for sale during the week of 10/08/18.
- Reported the First Street and Peoh Avenue intersection project, although running a bit behind, is moving forward.
- Reported the crew will continue winter preparations by cleaning the catch basins, repairing pot holes and marking out obstructions.

Police Chief - Scott Ferguson:

- Reported some of his officers have attended an 8-hour WCIA seminar.
- Reported the camera systems have been successfully installed in all of the police vehicles.

Fire Department - Chief Ed Mills:

- Reported 39 calls for the month of September, including 6 fires, 28 EMS calls, 1 hazardous condition and 4 false alarms. The Department also supplied the tender for a semi-truck fire on I-90 at mile post 90, acting as mutual aid for District 7. The Department also supplied their tender for the controlled burn in Roslyn.
- Reported the burn ban has been lifted. Briquette barbecues are now allowed.
- Reported the Department will be conducting a controlled burn at 411 East Railroad Street on 10/13/18 at 9:00 a.m. Two other trainings fires will be conducted on structures later this year or the first of next year. South Cle Elum and Roslyn will also participate in those burns.

Veolia - William LaRue:

- Provided graphs of the Water Plant Flow, Water Plant Run Times, Precipitation, Wastewater Flows and Water versus Wastewater Plant Flows for September 2018.
- Reported the Department of Health conducted a Sanitary Survey, which happens every 3 to 5 years. There were minor issues discovered, which Public Works Director Mike Engelhart immediately repaired.
- Reported he and his staff are preparing the plant for the winter months.
- Reported he and his staff are preparing for major work to be performed inside the water treatment plant during the upcoming winter.

Citizen Comments on Non-agenda Items

None

Public Appearances

None

Business Requiring Public Hearing

a. Ordinance No. 1507 – Tax Levy for 2019: Mayor Pro Tempore Ken Ratliff opened the hearing for public comment at 7:39 pm. Patricia Preston asked what the levy is for and if it will raise taxes. Robert Omans explained the 1% allowable increase is a source of income for the City; the increase is added to the levy each year. Hearing no further comments from the audience, Mayor Pro Tempore Ratliff closed the public hearing at 7:40. A motion was made by Tom Hastings and seconded by Ron Spears to approve Ordinance No. 1507. The motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Ordinance No. 1509 - Amendment to Business License Code: A motion was made by Ron Spears and seconded by John Glondo to approve Ordinance No. 1509 related to Business Licenses. The motion carried unanimously. Council member Steven Harper commented there are legitimate organizations that need to be exempted.

New Business - Amended Agenda Item (Addition)

HLA Progress Estimate #1: A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Ron Spears to authorize the staff to remit payment to Advantage Dirt Contractors, Inc. once the required paperwork has been submitted to HLA. The motion carried unanimously,

Committee Reports

Council member Steven Harper reported to the Council the Budget Committee has met to consider the 2019 Budget, which will be brought before the Council the first meeting in November.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Steven Harper and seconded by Ron Spears to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday October 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.