

Council President Russ Docherty called the November 20, 2007 council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He turned the meeting over to Mick Mellett. Present for the meeting were Council President Docherty, Council Members Mick Mellett, John Langs, and Dave Gray, Clerk Kris Larson, Fire Chief Larry Owsley, City Engineer Mike Klaus, Economic Development Coordinator Mike Sloan, and Attorney Tim Wilson. Also present for the meeting were Newly Elected Council Members David Sims and Connie Wells, CJ Tuma, David and Nydel Wall, Dollie Boling, Marcia Cossette, Clarence Ansley, and Gary Falcon. Mayor Kerby was gone on personal business.

Larry Owsley said there were no fire incidents. Roof repairs have been made at the firehall and Steve Neumeyer is scheduled to do some electrical work. Larry is hopeful to have the repairs made to the sidewalk on the east side of the building where the partial wall was removed. Station 2 was painted and electrical upgrades will be done there on November 27th. The pickup for the fire department needed a new transmission and the city mechanic has repaired it. Larry said equipment has been winterized and will be monitored during the cold weather. He went through a fire drill at Valley View School and discussion was held with the principal. Pat Warkentin has volunteered to help our department. Larry read his qualifications to the group.

Foster Mayo joined the meeting at 7:18 p.m. He said thefts are down and it is quiet at this time for the Police Department.

John Langs moved to approve the consent agenda. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of November 20, 2007 accounts payable and payroll for November 9, 2007; approval of the November 6, 2007 regular council meeting minutes and the November 13, 2007 special council meeting minutes; approval for Jason Schraufnagel to attend Electrical Grounding and Personal Protective Grounding Classes in Wilsonville, Oregon on January 29-31, 2007; and approval for Steve Neumeyer to attend Hands-on Relay School in Pullman, Washington on March 10-14, 2007.

John Langs moved to approve the special event permit for the “Blessing of the River” and waive the fees. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Mike Klaus said the water project is close to being closed out and there are a few issues that need to be resolved with the pumps. He said the project is nearly complete and the flow is 577 but is supposed to be 600. The pumps are working well but are not operating at the rate they are supposed to. Mike is working on this issue.

John Langs moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the pay request for engineering services through the block grant. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, John Langs “yes”.

Mike Klaus informed council that we need to move forward on the clarifier project and he is requesting permission to contract with E.L. Automation for the design of electrical

and control components in the amount of about \$6,700. Dave Gray moved to authorize the initiating contract. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

John Langs asked if we are limited to the amount of water we can take out of Myrtle Creek. Mike Klaus said we are limited by our water right to the number of cubic feet per second but we cannot use the amount we are allotted due to the hydraulic restrictions in our water system at this time. Mick Mellett said through the adjudication process we want to make sure we do not lose part of our water availability. Tim Wilson said he thought there was a stop to the adjudication process in our area for five years. The Forest Service Permit issue was tabled until Stephen Boorman joins the meeting.

Larry Owsley said Santa will be coming to town this year on November 23, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

Russ Docherty moved to appoint Patrick Warkentin as a volunteer fireman. John Langs seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Mike Klaus told council that there were two requests submitted for a zone change and special use permit for property at 6522 Madison. Mike said residential AA permits homes and duplexes but no businesses. The intent of the zone change is to get the property into the A residential zone so a special use permit can be applied for. Mick asked if Planning and Zoning considered zoning the area rather than just the lot. Mike said it was discussed briefly. The planning and zoning vote was split. Mick said council has historically been very reticent to allow commercial business in a residential zone. Mick recalled this issue coming forward in the past. Dave Gray wants to support the commission and the vote was split three to three and the issue has been denied in the past. John Langs said the people in the community that spoke against it live in the neighborhood and asked that it not be approved. John Langs moved to deny the rezone of 6522 Madison to residential A. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

David and Nydel Wall, CJ Tuma, and Gary Falcon left the meeting.

The rezone of property near Augusta Street was discussed. Mike Klaus described the area to the group as being adjacent to Columbia Equipment and Augusta Street. John Langs moved to approve the zone change of property near Augusta Street based on the recommendation of Planning and Zoning from residential B to commercial. Dave Gray seconded the motion. Mick said there is an access issue for the adjoining property. The motion passed, all in favor.

Stephen Boorman joined the meeting.

John Langs moved to approve the LHTAC grant application for rebuilding Tamarack Lane. Dave Gray seconded the motion. Council was happy to see this application. Mike Klaus said we applied for this same grant last year but this year we have a generic

traffic master plan that may help the process this year. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Mick Mellett “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”.

The golf contract was discussed. Stephen Boorman said this year the contract is being changed to a five-year contract. He also said there is the option of leaving off the clubhouse rent paid by the contractor to the city to increase the amount of income to the contractor. Stephen explained the contract to the group. Tim Wilson asked council if they want to go to a five-year contract rather than a two-year contract and the other issue for council decision would be the clubhouse rent. Stephen said if the contract is terminated we are required to buy the inventory of the clubhouse according to the contract. Mick said with the raise in green fees and season passes the income to the contractor goes up. John Langs moved to table the golf contract until we see the financial statement from the contractor. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

The group discussed the equipment needed for the sewer vac truck. Items requested are a splash shield, fan flush, and load limit shut down. Estimated costs for installation of the equipment are \$6,950.33. John Langs moved to purchase equipment for the sewer vac truck as requested. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Stephen Boorman said the Chamber of Commerce has requested to open the visitor center for a couple days per week during the winter months. Mike Sloan has offered to head up this endeavor.

Mike Sloan reported to Council that there would be about \$2,100 turned over to the city from the Chamber of Commerce dues for operation of the center. He also looked at the expenses and prorated them for the bottom part of the building only. Mike has projected the yearly expenses to be about \$1,350. He gave his recommendation to man the center year round. Mike said the Chamber would bring in their phone and fax machine. Dave Gray asked that there be no animals in the center except for guide dogs for the seeing impaired. Mick Mellett inquired if the proposal should be sent to the Visitor Center Committee for their recommendation. John Langs asked if the Visitor Center Committee would still be overseeing the center operations. Stephen Boorman said Carl and Sherri Hendricks' obligation to the city was through the end of the fiscal year and their future commitment will be through volunteer service. John Langs asked if the Chamber would be in charge of the building. Stephen said it would still be the city. Mick said the city owns the building and the Visitor Center Committee will still oversee the visitor center but if the Chamber is authorized then they would operate the visitor portion of the building. Stephen said historically the Chamber has raised two sets of dues - one for the Chamber and one for the operation of the visitor center. Stephen said the volunteers of the Chamber will be greeting the visitors. The city will still have a money trail for the operating of the center. Dave Gray said he does not want to get too many people in the operation of the center due to damages that may occur.

Mick Mellett recessed the meeting at 8:06 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:09 p.m.

Mike Sloan showed council the dues structure that the Chamber operates under. Stephen said the fee structure the Council approved several months ago mirrored this. Mick asked for clarification of the fee collection. Stephen said there are probably businesses that would pay the city before they would pay the Chamber. Upon recommendation of the city attorney the issue was deferred to executive session.

Stephen spoke to Council regarding the change order for the unit four maintenance bid at the power plant. He said there are four bearings on unit four and this change order addresses the turning of a bearing and reforming the housing to fit it. The increased cost is \$25,828.88. John Langs moved to approve change order 1 for the unit four maintenance bid at the power plant. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed- John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”, Mick Mellett “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to move item 13, Forest Service Permit, to executive session. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Stephen said the Bonneville substation purchase is not an action item but he had information that we pay about \$100,000 per year to Bonneville for use of the substations.

Mick gave the history of the city’s association with Bob Mooney as he worked with CH2Mhill several years ago. Mick said he has helped the city in the past. Dave Gray moved to contract with Bob Mooney for review of services. John Langs seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to authorize the signing of the certificate of substantial completion for phase 1 of the water project. John Langs seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, John Langs “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”.

The notice to proceed for S&L Underground for phase 1A of the water project will be for the water line from Buffalo to the Methodist Church. Mike Klaus said this work will begin on November 26, 2007. Russ Docherty moved to sign the notice to proceed for S&L Underground for phase 1A of the water project. John Langs seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”, John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”.

John Langs moved to authorize the signing of amendment #4 for the professional services contract with Panhandle Area Council extending the contract until June 30, 2008. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”, John Langs “yes”.

The group briefly discussed the Christmas decorations. Council thanked the city crews for their efforts and the good job they did putting up the decorations and making sure they were working. Council also directed a thank you be sent to the Boulder Creek Academy students for putting up the lights on the trees and wiring the new Christmas balls.

John Langs moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 subsection 1 for discussion of legal issues at 8:22 p.m. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Mick Mellett “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. At 8:57 p.m. council went out of executive session. No action was taken.

John Langs moved to table the Myrtle Creek Forest Service permit. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Russ Docherty moved to enter into a temporary contract with the Chamber of Commerce with a seven-day escape clause and allow limited operation of the visitor center until the memorandum of understanding is signed the first of February. John Langs seconded the motion. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Mick Mellett “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Dave Gray moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. John Langs seconded the motion and it passed, all in favor.

Russ Docherty, Council President

Attest:

Kris Larson, City Clerk