

MINUTES OF 10/23/08 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENT: Mayor Goedde; Councilmembers Cooney, Greenfield, Harper, Morehouse, Morse, Papé-Miller and Weldy; Acting City Administrator VanEpps; Attorney Galbraith; City Clerk Liles; Planning/Community Development Director Gildroy and Chief Law Enforcement Officer Harris.

Mayor Goedde called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Morehouse moved to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve Payroll Warrants No. 29834 through 29935 totaling \$133,347.18 and Claims Warrants No. 71144 through 71241 totaling \$383,564.14; and
2. Approve Minutes of 9/11/08 and 9/25/08 regular City Council meetings.

Seconded by Cooney, motion passed unanimously.

VISITORS/PUBLIC INPUT

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CHELAN ASSOCIATION: Libby Manthey, representing the Historic Downtown Chelan Association (HDCA), asked for the City's continuing support of HDCA and provided elected officials with a booklet entitled *A Synopsis of the Resource Team Report for the Historic Downtown Chelan Association*.

REGULAR AGENDA

GRAFFITI REGULATION: VanEpps reported that in response to Council's 9/25/08 directive, Sgt. Harris and Attorney Galbraith, with input from the County Prosecutor, drafted an ordinance to add a new chapter to the Chelan Municipal Code entitled "Graffiti Regulations." VanEpps summarized the proposed regulations, referring Council to Galbraith's 10/16/08 memo for a more detailed description. Harris provided additional information on the process of drafting the regulations and their intent. Harris and Galbraith answered Council questions. **Morse moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2008-1371 adding Chapter 8.42 to the Chelan Municipal Code regarding graffiti regulations. Seconded by Morehouse, motion passed unanimously.**

TEEN CENTER FUNDING REQUEST: Mary Murphy, Secretary of the Chelan Teen Center Committee, provided the Teen Center's 2007 Financial Report, described Teen Center programs and activities, and asked that Council approve financial support to the Center in 2009 in the amount of \$9,000. Murphy then answered Council questions and entertained Council comments concerning the Teen Center. **Weldy moved to direct staff to prepare a funding agreement governing the grant of \$9,000 to the Chelan Teen Center for consideration at the November 13, 2008 City Council meeting. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES CONTRACT: VanEpps reported that the contract with Carlson, McMahon and Sealby for the provision of public defense services will expire on 12/31/08, and he presented a proposed contract with that law firm for their services in 2009. VanEpps noted that the proposed 2009 monthly fee for the law firm's services is \$4,200, an increase of \$200 per month over the fee they were paid in 2008. At Council's request, Galbraith said he would ask Carlson, McMahon and Sealby to provide a summary of services during the past year. At Galbraith's recommendation, **Morehouse moved to authorize Mayor Goedde to sign the Contract for Public Defense Services with**

Carlson, McMahon and Sealby for that firm's provision of public defense services in 2009, as presented. Seconded by Harper, motion passed unanimously.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT: VanEpps recommended approval of a proposed agreement with Chelan County for provision of emergency services in 2009, explaining that the agreement would allow the County to continue providing services for compliance with Title III of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act, briefly describing the services that entails, and noting that the 2009 fee would be \$8,649.00, up from \$7,920 for 2008. **Greenfield moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with the Chelan County Department of Emergency Management for the County's provision of emergency services to the City in 2009. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT: Gildroy presented a written report on the City's "housing vision" (memo to Council dated 10/13/08) and introduced Sandra Strieby of Highlands Associates, the consulting firm assisting the City Planning Department to prepare the 2008 Comprehensive Plan amendment package. Strieby provided a status report on the effort to assess the community's housing needs and draft the Comprehensive Plan Housing Element for eventual presentation to City Council. Gildroy and Strieby then answered Council questions.

CANTOR UTILITY EXTENSION AGREEMENT: VanEpps briefly summarized the City's policy for providing water and sewer services to properties that are outside the city limits but within the city urban growth boundary. He then presented a request for such services for a property at #66 State Route 150 owned by Donald Cantor. **Morse moved to authorize Mayor Goedde to sign the Utility Extension Agreement with Donald Cantor for services to #66 State Route 150 (Tax Parcel #272318420180), as presented. Seconded by Papé-Miller, motion passed unanimously.**

At 8:10 p.m., Council meeting recessed to allow the Mayor and City Councilmembers to participate in the regular meeting of the Lake Chelan Airport Board. Council meeting reconvened at 8:11 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board meeting.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

COUNCILMEMBER RESIGNATION: Weldy announced that he would be moving to Wenatchee and asked the Mayor to accept his resignation from Council effective 12/31/08.

GRAFFITI: Greenfield said she is pleased to see the graffiti issue addressed before it becomes a real problem and appreciates the proactive, preventative approach.

Harper concurred, and he suggested enlisting the help of high school students to clean up graffiti.

DOWNTOWN PARKING: Greenfield referred to a complaint the City recently received from an out of state visitor who was ticketed for exceeding the two hour parking limit in downtown Chelan. Greenfield said she wants the City to further consider ways to improve downtown parking and parking enforcement, especially in the off season.

Weldy reminded Council that there was to be a second meeting as follow-up to the Community Parking Forum held in August. He said he hopes it will take place before the end of the year.

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CHELAN ASSOCIATION: Morehouse thanked Historic Downtown Chelan Association for the report they'd provided earlier in this meeting, and he said he'd like to see HDCA's approach applied to the whole community all the way to Manson. Referring to a comment HDCA

President Manthey made about there being a view of the mountains no matter where in Chelan one is, Morehouse advocated taking steps now to identify and preserve those views.

FARMER’S MARKET: Morse said that the economic downturn is an opportunity for Chelan to foster its status as the essential small town. He advocated holding the local farmer’s market more often, for a longer season, and in a better location, perhaps in Riverwalk Park.

Mayor Goedde pointed out that Riverwalk Park is owned by the PUD, so if the Farmers Market organizers want to move the market to Riverwalk Park, they should direct that request to the PUD Parks Department.

LINK TRANSIT: Mayor Goedde said Link Transit derives 70% of its revenue from taxes and 18% from federal government grants, so the current economic crises will likely force Link to look for additional revenue sources. The Mayor said he would ask Richard DeRock, Link’s General Manager, to address City Council in the near future.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT: Mayor Goedde reported that Tom Warren had accepted appointment to the vacant Planning Commission seat.

ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON CITIES REGIONAL MEETING: Mayor Goedde reported attending the 2008 AWC Regional Meeting in Wenatchee on October 16th. He said he wished more Chelan Councilmembers had been at the meeting, and he urged support for AWC in its efforts on behalf of Washington cities.

SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM: At the Mayor’s request, Gildroy reported briefly on the Shoreline Master Program Workshop held October 21st.

“WELCOME TO CITY HALL”: Mayor Goedde noted that he’d provided each Councilmember with a new edition of the Association of Washington Cities booklet “Welcome to City Hall.”

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:300 p.m.

Prepared by:

Attested to:

Date approved by City Council:
