

MINUTES OF 5/8/08 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
135 East Johnson Avenue, Chelan, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Goedde; Councilmembers Cooney, Greenfield, Harper, Morehouse, Morse, Papé-Miller; Administrator Fonfara; Attorney Galbraith; Clerk Liles; Parks & Recreation Director Sablan; Planning & Community Development Director Gildroy; Finance Director Grant; Public Works Director VanEpps. **EXCUSED ABSENCE:** Councilmember Weldy.

Mayor Goedde called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Papé-Miller moved to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve Payroll Warrants No. 28531 – 28633 totaling \$158,177.32 and Claims Warrants No. 70075 – 70169 totaling \$175,355.20; and
2. Approve Minutes of the April 24, 2008 regular City Council meeting, as presented.

Seconded by Greenfield, motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CHELAN ASSOCIATION: Libby Manthey, President of the Historic Downtown Chelan Association (HDCA), introduced Doug Sandvik, who was recently hired as the first HDCA Manager. Sandvik spoke briefly about his background and reasons for taking the job and thanked City Council for its continuing support of HDCAs.

SHORELINE DEVELOPMENT: Russ Jones, representing the Lake Chelan Sailing Association, said that the Association wants to go on record as opposed to the moratorium on shoreline development being advocated by Linda Evans-Parlette.

BOATING/SUBMERGED LOGS: Russ Jones, representing the Lake Chelan Sailing Association, asked that the City put a stop to the practice of submerging logs in the lake to provide fish habitat. Jones said the logs are a navigation hazard for boaters.

REGULAR AGENDA

POST OFFICE EXPANSION/RELOCATION: Chelan Post Master Mike Ricketts and United States Postal Service (USPS) representatives Kathy Young and Hugh Hicks reported as follows: The Chelan Post Office is inadequate to serve the future postal needs of Chelan, and USPS will either expand the facility at its present location, relocate the facility to another building or construct a new building at another site. Approximately 5,075 square feet of interior space is needed and an ideal building site would be approximately 51,433 square feet. Should relocation be necessary, the preferred area would be within or near the downtown business area. Elected officials are encouraged to direct comment to Ricketts within the next fifteen days. At the end of the comment period, USPS will issue a request for proposals. A USPS facility committee will then select the site, the Mayor will be notified and a thirty day comment period will commence. It is anticipated that the building will be ready for occupancy 18 to 24 months. Local officials will be given the site plans and invited to inspect the facility during construction.

REGULATIONING THE KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK: Mayor Goedde introduced a public hearing to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation concerning revision of the Chelan Municipal Code as it relates to the keeping of livestock. The Mayor then opened the public hearing, and Gildroy presented the staff report as set forth in his 4/11/08 memo to City Council (Agenda Bill 08-033, Exhibit 4). There followed questions and comments from City Council. Morse objected to the proposed provision requiring a minimum of one contiguous acre to keep livestock of any kind, saying it would discriminate against those who can't afford that much land and would prohibit even the raising of animals for 4H projects. There being no public comment, the Mayor closed the public hearing. There being no Council deliberation, **Cooney moved to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 2008-1361 adding regulations to the Chelan Municipal Code regarding the keeping of animals and poultry within the city. Seconded by Papé-Miller, motion passed 5-1 with Cooney, Papé-Miller, Greenfield, Harper and Morehouse voting aye and Morse voting nay.**

AQUATICS & COMMUNITY CENTER: Scott McKellar and Jackie De Paoli, representing the Lake Chelan Aquatics & Community Center Committee, reviewed the committee's efforts to bring an aquatics/community center to Chelan and shared their vision for such a facility. McKellar and De Paoli asked the City to fund a study to determine the best location for the center. There followed Council questions and comments. As McKellar and De Paoli weren't prepared to estimate how much such a study would cost, Council consensus was to direct City staff to meet with the Aquatics & Community Center Committee, determine the scope of the study and its estimated cost, and then report back to Council.

Sablan sought authorization to send a letter to the Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) seeking an opinion on whether a certain site in Don Morse Park would qualify for conversion under IAC-SRFB policies. Sablan explained that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board requested the letter because the Aquatics & Community Center Committee is interested in the site as the location for a planned aquatics and community center. Sablan noted that the board emphasized that it is recommending the letter of inquiry, not endorsing the construction of a recreation center in Don Morse Park. There being no discussion, **Morse moved to authorize submittal of the letter asking the Recreation Conservation Office if that site in Don Morse Park proposed as the location for an aquatics & community center qualifies for conversion to that use. Seconded by Cooney, motion passed unanimously.**

DESIGN STANDARDS/DESIGN REVIEW: A discussion on establishing design standards and a design review committee placed on the agenda for this meeting at the request of Morehouse was postponed until the May 22, 2008 City Council meeting, also at the request of Morehouse.

SAILING ASSOCIATION MOORAGE USE: Sablan presented a proposed agreement for the Lake Chelan Sailing Association's use of Lakeshore Marina docks and a building near the boat launch for mooring and storing its fleet of sailboats. There being no discussion, **Papé-Miller moved to approve the 2008-2010 Moorage Facilities Use Agreement between the City and the Lake Chelan Sailing Association and to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement, as presented. Seconded by Greenfield, motion passed unanimously.**

BUDGET AMENDMENT: At Gildroy's request, **Greenfield moved to authorize a budget amendment for the Planning Department's purchase of a computer and computer software in the amount of \$4,300. Seconded by Papé-Miller, motion passed unanimously.**

RATE RESOLUTION AMENDMENT: Grant reviewed proposed changes in the fees charged for city services as set forth in her May 1, 2008 memo to the Mayor and City Council (Agenda Bill 07-072F, Exhibit 2). **Papé-Miller moved to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 2008-1182 amending Resolution No. 2007-1172, setting the fees to be charged for water, sewer and sanitation services, park and golf fees and other charges. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

LAKESIDE TRAIL: VanEpps presented results of the City's call for bids to construct Lakeside Trail Section B and recommended awarding the construction contract to RP&E Construction, the lowest responsible bidder at \$244,637.50. VanEpps noted that because RP&E's bid is considerably lower than the engineer's estimate of \$359,981.28, staff may eventually come back to Council with a change order adding certain aesthetic features to the project.

Morse expressed concern regarding the disparity between the engineer's estimate and all five of the bids received, and he reiterated his concerns about the planned lane reconfiguration. **Morehouse moved to award the Lakeside Trail Section B construction contract to RP&E Construction, the lowest responsible bidder at \$244,637.50. Seconded by Harper, motion passed 4-2 with Morehouse, Harper, Cooney and Greenfield voting aye and Morse and Papé-Miller voting nay.**

Noting that the project is due to begin immediately, Art Campbell, owner of Campbell's Lodge, expressed concern about the disruption it may cause to business during the busy summer season. Campbell asked that the project be postponed until fall. Mike Sherer, owner of Riverwalk Inn, also objected to the timing of the project. VanEpps explained that the construction contract sets forth a specific timeline, so any delay would require that the project to be re-bid. Also, there is a timeline associated with TIB funding for the project. VanEpps assured Campbell and Sherer that the contractor would be instructed to avoid impeding vehicular traffic during Memorial Day weekend and would do everything possible to maintain unimpeded access to Campbell's Lodge throughout the project, which will be complete before the Fourth of July. VanEpps added that in his opinion, pedestrian travel will be safer with the sidewalk closed than it is under existing conditions. Greenfield asked if it would be possible to halt construction during Memorial Day weekend, and VanEpps said that would be considered. Morse asked Campbell to report to Council periodically during the project so Council will be aware of any problems.

At 8:45 p.m., Council meeting adjourned to permit the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the regular meeting of the Lake Chelan Airport Board. Council meeting reconvened at 8:46 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS/REPORTS

AQUATICS & COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE: Morse and Morehouse praised the Lake Chelan Aquatics & Community Center Committee for their work on behalf of the community.

STAFF APPRECIATION: Morehouse praised Sablan and city planning staff for their work.

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL (SWAC): Morehouse reported that Brenda Harn, the Chelan County Solid Waste Coordinator, is looking into establishing a full time hazardous waste disposal site. Also, Stemilt has established a large composting site and is hoping the County and Cities will become involved. At its last meeting, SWAC voted to install motion activated cameras at the Manson recycling site to discourage dumping of non-recyclables. Harn will approach Chelan County officials concerning a recommendation from SWAC to increase the fine for illegal dumping.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Harper asked that a Public Safety Committee meeting be scheduled so the Sheriff's Department can brief members on law enforcement plans for Memorial Day weekend. Fonfara suggested the Committee meet at City Hall on May 20 at 7:00 a.m. and Harper, Greenfield and Morehouse agreed.

LAKESIDE TRAIL: Cooney asked that construction of the other Lakeside Trail sections be timed to avoid conflicts like the situation just discussed in regard to the Section B project. Cooney also suggested that the Section B contractor receive some “customer sensitivity training.”

Regarding Trail Section J, Cooney said he feels Lakeside property owners are owed information about how the project will impact their community. Cooney suggested that preliminary plans be provided to Lakeside residents before Council is asked to act on Section J of the trail. Fonfara explained that the plan is to establish a stakeholders group that would include adjacent property owners, trail advocates and the PUD to help with trail design.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND: In response to an inquiry from Greenfield, Sablan explained plans to patrol Don Morse Park during Memorial Day weekend.

PLANNING ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE: Papé-Miller reported that the Washington State Planning Association recommends that cities adopt an ordinance to regulate homeless encampments. Papé-Miller asked Gildroy for his opinion on the recommendation, and Gildroy said he agrees.

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE: Papé-Miller advised that the Sustainability Committee will meet for the first time the following week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Mayor Goedde asked council committee chairs to provide a brief committee report to Council following each committee meeting. The Mayor further requested that councilmembers report to Council on any outside (non-City) meetings they attend as representatives of the City.

AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN: Fonfara reported that he had received the final draft of the Lake Chelan Airport Layout Plan and is working with the consultant to schedule a Council presentation.

MAY 22, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING: Harper asked that the Council meeting scheduled for May 22, 2008 be cancelled or rescheduled to allow the Mayor, Councilmembers and city staff to attend/participate in the Memorial Parade. Following brief discussion, **Morse moved to cancel the regular meeting of May 22, 2008 and schedule a special council meeting at 6:00 p.m. on May 22, 2008. Seconded by Papé-Miller, motion passed unanimously.**

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Prepared by:	Attested to:	Date approved by City Council:
Linda Allison-Liles City Clerk	Robert R. Goedde Mayor	May 22, 2008