

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 26, 2010 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall, 135 East Johnson Avenue, Chelan, Washington

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Goedde called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Goedde and Councilmembers Cooney, Harper, Lingard, McCardle, Morehouse, Morse. Absent/Excused: Greenfield.

Staff present: Administrator Reinbold, Attorney Galbraith, Clerk Liles, Planning & Community Development Director Gildroy, Public Works Director VanEpps, Receptionist/Clerical Assistant Gallucci.

3. AGENDA CHANGES

- A. Remove item 6A, Special Presentation – Recycling.
- B. Add an executive session – Labor Negotiations.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- A. HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Leroy Hall, Lake Chelan Valley Habitat for Humanity Executive Director, returned \$5,100 of the \$35,000 the City granted Habitat for Humanity for construction of a house at 322 Iowa Lane. Hall explained that in order to build the house, Habitat for Humanity was required to pave a portion of Iowa Lane and had budgeted \$5,100 for that purpose. However, the City ended up doing the paving, so Habitat is returning that portion of its grant.

Hall invited City officials and staff to an open house and dedication of the new home at 2:00 p.m. on September 12, 2010.

- B. HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CHELAN ASSOCIATION: Cindy Salazar, HDCA Executive Director, read a letter thanking the City for creating twenty-two additional parking spaces on Emerson Street.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

McCardle moved to approve the consent agenda as follows. Seconded by Morehouse, motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approve Minutes of the August 12, 2010 regular City Council meeting, as amended to correct two errors identified by Lingard, i.e.:
 - 1. On page two under “SENIOR CENTER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT,” show Morehouse (not Harper), arriving at 6:31 p.m.
 - 2. On page 5 under “PARKING/SPEED LIMIT – WILLOW PARK AREA,” show that Lingard requested the speed limit be reduced to 35 (not 45) miles per hour.
- B. Approve Claim Warrants: #75266 – 75371 totalling \$228,364.84.
Approve Payroll Warrants: #34177 - #34303 totaling \$173,623.55.

- C. Excuse Councilmember Greenfield's absence from the August 26, 2010 Council meeting.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- A. RECYCLING: This item, a presentation by Morse about recycling in Switzerland, was removed from the agenda at Morse's request.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. 2010 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT PACKAGE: At 6:08 p.m., Mayor Goedde opened a public hearing to consider the 2010 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Package. The Mayor explained that each proposed amendment item would be discussed and voted upon in turn. After explaining the procedure for offering public testimony, the Mayor called for the staff report on the first amendment package item.

Gildroy presented the staff report on the Lower Lake Chelan Basin Regional Strategic Action Plan and reported the Planning Commission's recommendation that it be approved and attached to the Comprehensive Plan as a reference document. At the conclusion of the staff report, Mayor Goedde opened this part of the hearing to public comment. There being none, the Mayor closed the public comment portion of this part of the hearing and called for Council deliberation. Lingard questioned the accuracy of certain information in the Preliminary Draft of the Plan. Gildroy acknowledged that because the planning process has gone on for some time, some of the data initially included is no longer current. Following discussion, **Council consensus was to table consideration of approving the Lower Lake Chelan Basin Plan as an attachment to the Comprehensive Plan until outdated information in the Draft Lower Lake Chelan Basin Plan is updated.**

Gildroy presented the staff report on proposed amendments to zoning code definitions, including the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve them. At the conclusion of the staff report, Mayor Goedde opened this part of the hearing to public comment. There being none, the Mayor closed the public comment portion of this part of the hearing and called for Council deliberation. Morse voiced concern regarding proposed changes to the definition of "bed & breakfast," specifically a proposal to allow the rental of up to five rooms in single family residential zones. Following discussion, **McCardle moved to approve Comprehensive Plan definition amendments as recommended by the Planning Commission with the exception of the recommendation to revise the definition of "bed & breakfast." Seconded by Lingard, motion passed unanimously.**

Gildroy presented the staff report on proposed amendment of CMC 17.36, Highway Commercial Zone, including the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval. At the conclusion of the staff report, Mayor Goedde opened this part of the hearing to public comment. There being none, the Mayor closed the public hearing portion of this part of the hearing and called for Council deliberation. There being none, **McCardle moved to approve the Highway Service Commercial Zone amendment as recommended by the Planning Commission. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

Gildroy presented the staff report on proposed amendments to CMC 17.56, Conditional Uses, including the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve them. At the conclusion of the staff report, Mayor Goedde opened this part of the hearing to public comment. There being none, the Mayor closed the public comment portion of this part of the hearing and called for Council deliberation. There being none, **McCardle moved to approve the Conditional Use revisions as recommended by the Planning Commission. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

There being no further discussion, Mayor Goedde closed the public hearing at 6:35 p.m.

- B. SHORELINE PUBLIC ACCESS PLAN: At 6:36 p.m. Mayor Goedde opened a public hearing to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation for adoption of the Shoreline Public Access Plan. The Mayor explained the procedure for testifying and then called for the staff report. Gildroy provided the staff report and answered Council questions. At the conclusion of the staff report, Mayor Goedde opened the hearing to public testimony. There being none, the Mayor called for Council deliberation. There being no Council discussion, the mayor closed the public hearing at 6:44 p.m. and called for a motion.

McCardle moved (1) to adopt the Shoreline Access Plan as recommended by the Planning Commission with addition of a last paragraph on page 13 to read "In applying plans, policies, and regulations regarding Shoreline Public Access, the City's primary intent is to encourage shoreline uses and activities to provide their own shoreline public access; the secondary intent is that if shoreline public access is not possible under the circumstances, a contribution be made to the implementation of the City of Chelan Shoreline Public Access Plan, rather than require individual shoreline uses and activities independently provide for off-site mitigation." and (2) to terminate that moratorium against accepting and processing shoreline permits for land division of five or more lots and multi-family buildings of five or more units that was originally adopted on October 8, 2009, and subsequently continued through September 12, 2010. Seconded by Lingard, motion passed unanimously.

8. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- A. REGIONAL EVENTS CENTER PUBLIC FACILITIES DISTRICT: Reinbold introduced Joe Jarvis, President of the Greater Wenatchee Regional Events Center Public Facilities District, and Mark Miller, General Manager of the Town Toyota Center. Reinbold explained that Jarvis and Miller had requested this opportunity to address Council concerning a resolution they are proposing to authorize the Facilities District to seek voter approval to impose a two-tenths of one percent sales and use tax as authorized by RCW 82.14.390(1) to be dedicated to costs associated with "financing, design, acquisition, construction, equipping, operating, and maintaining " the Town Toyota Center.

Jarvis explained that the governing board of the Facilities District is aware that it hasn't been keeping district members informed, so tonight's presentation had been planned some time ago and the tax issue is coincidental. Citing negative feedback and the need to further inform the other member cities before a decision is made on the tax measure, Jarvis asked Council not to

vote on the proposed resolution at this time. Jarvis said he hopes to meet with the Mayors of all the member cities to work something out that they can then take back to their councils.

Miller discussed the Town Toyota Center's financial impact on the greater Wenatchee area.

After reviewing the center's financing history, Jarvis explained that revenues are insufficient to meet debt service and, although the board has considered other options, the proposed tax is the only option that would provide the return necessary to pay the debt.

Lingard voiced his concern that the proposed resolution includes no sunset provision and its stated purpose goes far beyond paying off the debt service to include operating and maintaining the Town Toyota Center.

Morse stated that he believes the tax measure will pass if it goes to a vote because Wenatchee will support it. He said he sees no benefit to Chelan in the measure's approval and is afraid it might have a negative effect on the City's ability to obtain revenue bonds. He said if asked to vote on the resolution at this point, he would vote against its adoption.

Both Cooney and Harper said they couldn't support the tax measure.

Mike Steele, Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce Director, reported that the Chamber Board is against allowing the tax measure to go to a vote.

Citizens Cheryl Oules, Richard Uhlhorn and Al Lorenz also spoke against the tax measure.

- B. REPORT ON SOUTH SHORE SEWER PLANNING: Van Epps noted that during discussion on the Tuscan Village Development Agreement, Council asked staff to return in August with a progress report on the status of south shore sewer planning being conducted by RH2 Engineering on behalf of the Lake Chelan Sewer District. Randy Asplund of RH2 then reported on work completed and what remains to be done. Asplund said he would provide a final report to Council and the Sewer District in late September.
- C. WATER COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: Van Epps asked Council to adopt the Water Comprehensive Plan as presented to Council on August 12, 2010. Following brief discussion, **Morse moved to adopt the City of Chelan Water Comprehensive Plan as presented. Seconded by Morehouse, motion passed unanimously.**
- D. DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN: Gildroy presented the latest draft of the Downtown Master Plan and Regulations in preparation for a City Council public hearing scheduled for September 9, 2010. Gildroy responded to Council questions and comments as they arose during his presentation.

Ben Higgins, 506 West Woodin Avenue, explained his opposition to proposed restrictions on professional offices at street level in the core downtown area. Al Lorenz, no address given, agreed with Higgins. There followed discussion on the issue.

- E. SR150/COLUMBIA STREET SIGNALIZATION PROJECT – BID AWARD: Van Epps reported that only two bids were received for the SR150/Columbia Street Signalization Project, but both were well below the engineer’s estimate of \$367,532.74. Council was provided a summary of the bid tabulation and a letter from RH2, the project engineer, recommending the bid be awarded to McCandlish Electric, Inc. of Wenatchee, the apparent low bidder at \$332,266.69 including a bid alternate. At Van Epps’ recommendation, **Morse moved to award the bid for the SR150/Columbia Street Signalization Project to McCandlish Electric, the lowest responsible bidder at \$332,266.69 including sales tax; providing further that in the event of an unforeseen circumstance requiring additional expense, the City Administrator, upon recommendation from staff, is authorized to approve expenditure of an additional \$10,000 without consulting Council. Seconded by Morehouse, motion passed unanimously.**

- F. SR150/COLUMBIA STREET SIGNALIZATION – CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING: At Van Epps’ recommendation, **Cooney moved to authorize the Mayor to sign Supplemental Agreement Number 2 with RH2 Engineering for construction engineering on the SR150/Columbia Street Signalization Project. Seconded by Lingard, motion passed unanimously.**

- G. SR150 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECT (LAKESIDE TRAIL SECTION A): At Van Epps’s recommendation, **Morse moved to authorize the Mayor to sign Supplemental Agreement Number 2 with Hammond, Collier, Wade, Livingston for construction engineering on the SR150 Pedestrian Safety Project (Lakeside Trail Section A). Seconded by Lingard, motion passed unanimously.**

- A. REGIONAL EVENTS CENTER PUBLIC FACILITIES DISTRICT: **Morehouse moved that Council discuss the Toyota Town Center. Harper seconded.** Mayor Goedde objected, saying that the issue was tabled earlier in the meeting and reopening it would be unfair since Facilities District representatives were no longer present. There followed discussion concerning the Toyota Town Center and related tax proposal. **Morse then moved to table Morehouse’s motion. Lingard seconded. Motion to table passed 5-2-0 with Morse, Lingard, Cooney, Greenfield, and McCardle voting aye and Morehouse and Harper voting nay.**

9. RECESS (AIRPORT BOARD MEETING)

At 8:40 p.m. the Council meeting was recessed to allow the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the regular meeting of the Lake Chelan Airport Board. Council meeting reconvened at 8:41 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board meeting.

9. MAYOR, COUNCIL COMMENTS

RECYCLING: Cooney reported that Safeway store management has approved relocating the City’s recycling drop off point from its current location in the main Safeway parking lot to Safeway’s auxillary lot on the east side of Columbia Street provided the bins are repainted.

Mayor Goedde said he anticipates establishing an afterhours drop off site at the City’s Recycling Center.

Morehouse complained that some people who use the recycling drop off facility don't flatten cardboard, don't sort items and leave non-recyclable garbage. He said he's concerned that making the facility less visible may cause more misuse. Mayor Goedde asked if people who dump non-recyclable garbage at the drop off facility can be prosecuted. Van Epps said he didn't know, but thought installing cameras on site would be effective in curtailing such dumping.

DOWNTOWN ALLEYS: Cooney reported that he and a couple of other downtown business owners anticipate proposing a beautification plan for downtown alleys.

DOWNTOWN TRAFFIC SIGNS: Cooney reiterated his complaint that the "Do Not Cross Double Yellow Lines" signs on Woodin Avenue are unwelcoming. He suggested removing the signs and installing a three foot wide planted strip down the middle of the street.

McCardle said she agrees with Cooney – the signs are unwelcoming.

Harper said he sees people crossing the double yellow lines on Woodin Avenue all the time, and the signs are meant to curtail this. Crossing the lines is illegal but not enforced.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS: Lingard said he likes the new location of the speakers' podium in Council Chambers, i.e. front and center instead off to the side of the room where it used to.

CITY OWNED BOAT: Lingard said he recently learned that the City owns a dilapidated, unused, twenty foot boat that is stored at Lakeshore Marina. He said he wonders if owning the boat is a liability and if there is any reason for the City to keep it. Reinbold said he would look into the matter.

PARKING IN CHELAN HILLS: Lingard thanked city staff for their attention to parking issues in Chelan Hills. He said the Board of Directors for the Chelan Hills Homeowners Association will meet on September 11, 2010, and he'll report back to Council after that meeting.

LINK TRANSIT: McCardle said the downtown trolley is a nice part of Chelan's historic theme and is being ridden.

Mayor Goedde reported that Link expects delivery of five electric vehicles sometime in September or October.

STRATEGIC PLANNING: McCardle reported that a strategic planning survey has been posted on the City's website and will remain there until September 10, 2010. There will be a community strategic planning meeting on September 8, 2010. Survey results and input from the meeting will be compiled for Council's fall 2010 retreat. She said she owes thanks to city employee James Hayter for getting the survey on the website quickly and for his attention to detail.

DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE: Morse said he'd like to see the gum cleaned off sidewalks and suggested monthly pressure washing in the downtown area.

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING: Morse said he looks forward to Lakeside neighborhood planning.

DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN: Morehouse thanked Gildroy for his work on the Downtown Master Plan. He said he is particularly concerned that building heights be limited.

FALL IN LAKE CHELAN WEEKEND: Mayor Goedde said that at the September 9 meeting, Council will be asked to temporarily suspend the ban on cruising during "Fall in Lake Chelan Weekend" September 10, 11 and 12, 2010.

10. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

AIRPORT FIRE: Reinbold reported a hangar fire at the Lake Chelan Airport and added that it wasn't a good week for aviation in the Lake Chelan Valley as an emergency landing and a crash landing were also reported.

2011 BUDGET: Reinbold reported that workshops on the 2011 city budget have been scheduled for 6:00 p.m. September 21, September 28, October 5 and October 11, 2010.

COUNCIL RETREAT: Reinbold reported that a City Council strategic planning retreat is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on September 16, 2010.

STAFF APPRECIATION: Reinbold thanked Liles and Gucci for arranging the display of elected officials' photographs in the hallway outside the Council Chambers.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:04 p.m. Council adjourned to executive session to discuss collective bargaining negotiations. Mayor Goedde estimated the session would last fifteen minutes and said no action would be taken following its adjournment. At 9:20 p.m., the Mayor announced that the session would be extended for an additional half hour. Regular meeting reconvened at 9:45 p.m. following adjournment of the executive session.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Prepared by:

Attested to:

Date approved by Council: _____

Linda Allison-Liles
City-Clerk

Robert R. Goedde
Mayor