

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 20, 2012 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall, 135 East Johnson Avenue, Chelan, Washington

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Goedde, Councilmembers Cooney, Harper, Higgins, McCardle, Morehouse, and Steele. ABSENT/EXCUSED: Isenhart.

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Schmidt, City Attorney Galbraith, City Clerk/Administrative Assistant Gallucci, Planning & Community Development Director Gildroy, Finance Director Grant, and Parks & Recreation Director Sablan.

3. AGENDA CHANGES

- A. Excuse Councilmember Isenhart from November 20, 2012 Regular City Council Meeting

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- A. Brad Harper, 214 W Campbell Avenue, member of the Food Bank Advisory Board, informed Council they had provided food to over 240 households this morning utilizing 20 to 25 volunteers. He thanked Council and the Mayor thanked him.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Morehouse moved to approve the consent agenda as follows. Second by Mr. Harper. Motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approve Minutes of October 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2012 Budget Workshops
B. Approve Minutes of November 8, 2012 Regular City Council Meeting
C. Approve Claim Warrants No. 80229 – 80299 totaling \$495,966.83 and Payroll Warrants No. 39748 – 39823 totaling \$138,269.56.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- A. Agnes Kowacz Certificate of Appreciation: (Note: Agenda Item was incorrectly called Agnes Kowacz Proclamation) Mr. Gildroy informed Council Ms. Kowacz had accepted a job in Tigard, Oregon. He described to Council what an asset Agnes has been to his department who tackled anything he gave her and applied herself. She has been very dedicated to the City as well as the citizens. Mr. Gildroy recounted a story of when a local citizen thanked Agnes for her assistance and said they thought she was “the mother of planning”. He stated her last day will be on November 30, 2012 and she will be missed.

Ms. Kowacz accepted the Certificate and said it had been an honor to have worked at the City of Chelan and she felt blessed to be a part of it. She thanked Council and staff.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. 2013 PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET: Ms. Grant provided a staff report. She stated this was the revised preliminary budget based on direction from Council and she had highlighted the changes in pink. She went over the changes to various different funds. Mr. Goedde opened the public hearing comment

period at 6:16 p.m. No one signed to provide comment and Mr. Goedde closed the public hearing at 6:16 p.m.

Ms. Grant then asked Council for direction in three other areas which are listed below.

- Mr. Sablan asked for a .25 per hour increase for returning seasonal employees. Council concurred.
- Ms. Grant asked Council if they would like the Way Finding Signs to come out the General Fund or the Tourism Fund. It is an appropriate use of tourism dollars. Council concurred.
- Ms. Grant inquired if Council wanted to fund the Gateway Design and the Riverwalk Park Entrance with Reet money or out of the General Fund. It can be added to the budget now and Council can direct staff not move forward until after the Capital Improvement Plan Workshop. Council concurred to allocate Reet money.

Mr. Cooney thanked Mr. Sablan for his efforts in scaling down his budget. Mr. Cooney suggested Mr. Sablan sell the old golf carts to help offset the cost of the new ones. Mr. Harper said there was really no financial benefit in doing so.

8. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND OTHER ITEMS

- A. PROPERTY TAX LEVY ORDINANCE: Ms. Grant stated to Council this proposed ordinance was for 2013 property taxes for which a public hearing was held on November 8, 2012. There are no amounts specified because Council elected not to request the 1% increase allowable by law so this amount will be banked. There is a levy certification which does show the full amount of the levy for 2013 which is \$1,093,615.00 which is a \$6,490 increase.

Mr. Cooney moved to adopt the proposed 2013 Property Tax Levy Ordinance as presented. Second by Mr. Steele. Motion passed unanimously.

- B. HEARING EXAMINER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR 2013 - 2014: Mr. Gildroy explained to Council the City had utilized Mr. Kottkamp since 2001 for land use matters. Mr. Kottkamp is not requesting a fee increase from his previous contract amount of \$525 per regular hearing. Staff has been pleased with his services and recommended approval of this contract.

Ms. McCardle moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Andrew Kottkamp for Hearing Examiner Services for the City of Chelan for the years 2013 and 2014 as presented. Second by Mr. Steele. Motion passed unanimously.

- C. SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM UPDATE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT ADDENDUM: Mr. Gildroy stated to Council the addendum was not included in the agenda bill. The addendum was passed out prior to the start of the meeting. The addendum incorporates Task 6 under the current contract and covers responses to Department of Ecology comments and two additional public meetings to be held with Planning Commission and/or Council. Councilmembers inquired as to Berk's familiarity with issues specific to Lake Chelan. Mr. Gildroy stated he felt confident they were seriously looking at issues specific to Lake Chelan. Staff recommended approval of this contract addendum.

Ms. McCardle moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Addendum to the Professional Services Agreement with Berk and Associates for the Shoreline Master Program Update. Second by Mr. Cooney. Motion passed unanimously.

- D. PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES AGREEMENT: Mr. Gildroy informed Council at this time there is no Scope of Work for this agreement. He would like to have this contract in place for several different plans including the bike plan and the south Chelan neighborhood plan, which may need revisions. Ms. Strieby is familiar with these projects and retaining her services would be the most cost effective. There are no new projects planned at this time and this contract would cover only minor changes. If a large project arises, staff would present it to Council to ask for authorization. It is staff's goal to handle as much in house as is feasible.

Mr. Morehouse moved to authorize Mayor Goedde to sign the Professional Services Agreement with Mosaic Planning Studio, Inc. for the year 2013 as presented. Second by Mr. Harper. Motion passed 4 – 2 with Mr. Higgins and Mr. Steele voting nay.

- F. CANCELLATION OF DECEMBER 27, 2012 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING: Mr. Schmidt explained to Council this Agenda item was not really cancelling the meeting but should be a motion to excuse themselves and the Mayor from the December 27, 2012 meeting. The reason is there is an Ordinance stating Council will meet the second and fourth Thursday every month. If all Councilmembers and the Mayor are absent/excused the meeting will automatically be cancelled due to lack of quorum.

Mr. Steele moved to excuse the Mayor and the City Council from the regular meeting scheduled December 27, 2012. Second by Mr. Morehouse. Motion passed unanimously.

9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- A. WINE TOURISM CONFERENCE: Ms. McCardle and Mr. Steele attended a Wine Tourism Conference. She got some great ideas and thoughts on bringing the right type of tourists to Chelan.
- B. WINTERFEST: Ms. McCardle stated Winterfest is coming in January 2013 and showed Council a brochure from the Chamber. She stated they are electing a King and Queen this year for Winterfest.
- C. MASONIC TEMPLE: Mr. Cooney feels there is a gray area regarding the library building. It is actually Community Center with the library housed in it and he does not think Chelan Valley Hope or the Food Bank should have to leave. He would like City Administrator Schmidt to look into the actual area where the library starts and stops. He would like to put both the Chelan Valley Hope and the Food Bank back in the Masonic Temple when renovations are complete and potentially sell the existing library building.

Mr. Harper said he was looking forward to the debate on the old library.

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Mr. Steele concurred with Mr. Cooney. He hopes the next workshop makes it clear they are not in any way making a decision and he does not want people to think Council has already hired the folks. He wants to make it clear they just need to hear that side so they have all the information.

Mr. Goedde reiterated the golf workshop is just to gain further information.

- F. THREE FINGERS: Mr. Cooney stated he thinks it is time for the City to issue an official point of view on the Three Fingers. He wants to ensure the public knows the City is not on one side or the other.

Mr. Galbraith informed Council the Judge asked specifically if the City was for or against the removal of the fingers. He was able to tell the judge it was only a legal standard which was at issue. The City's interest is only in the conditions imposed on GBI's application for the short plat.

Mr. Steele agreed the City should issue an official statement. Mr. Galbraith said he had written one but it was not issued because he thought this issue was clarified in the article published in the Lake Chelan Mirror when he was interviewed by Vince Lovato. Mayor Goedde directed Mr. Galbraith to reformulate the statement for the press.

- G. AGNES KOWACZ: Mr. Morehouse thanked Ms. Kowacz for her service.

- H. HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS: Mr. Steele reminded everyone there are many holiday celebrations around he encouraged everyone to get out and enjoy them.

- I. DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY LIGHTING: Mr. Higgins and Councilmembers thanked Mr. Morehouse for his work on the holiday lighting downtown.

- J. LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE: Mr. Goedde attended the AWC Legislative conference. He said the state budget has a major deficit. There is some talk about taking away the Public Works Trust Fund monies due to a hole in education.

- K. DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY LIGHTING: Mr. Higgins and Councilmembers thanked Mr. Morehouse for his work on the holiday lighting downtown.

- L. NO SEE UM INTERSECTION: Mayor Goedde stated the Washington State Department of Transportation will host an open house in the Council Chambers for the No See Um Intersection design.

- M. WOODIN AVENUE BRIDGE: The cost estimate for the bridge is significantly more money than expected. Mayor Goedde, Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Van Epps will be working with the consultant to reduce the project cost.

- N. TROLLEY CARS: The technology is not as good as believed because the batteries do not work right.

10. CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

- A. GOLF COURSE WORKSHOP: Mr. Schmidt reiterated the special meeting held on December 6, 2012 beginning at 6:00 p.m. is only to gather more information. He and Mr. Sablan are compiling all written comments which were received and Cheryl will prepare the expenditure and revenue reports.
- B. WOODIN AVENUE BRIDGE: Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Van Epps have been working on the bridge issue. They met with the consultant and are narrowing down the scope of work. He expects to have back to Council and the Public Works Committee soon. He is hoping the legislature approves the Public Works Trust Fund. He assured Council the City is not obligated to anything until funding has been secured.
- C. MASONIC TEMPLE: Mr. Schmidt will be getting in touch with Mr. Hibbard regarding the design of the new library. He has met with the Chelan Valley Hope representatives as well as representatives from the Food Bank. They are requesting to be kept in the loop as Council determines how they want to address the issue of their location.
- D. MRSC PUBLIC RECORDS WEBINAR: Mr. Schmidt and Ms. Gallucci attended a one hour seminar on public records and electronics. He felt it was a good hour of input.
- E. TEEN CENTER FUNDING: Ms. Grant reminded Council during the budget workshops they recommended \$12,000 in funding for the Teen Center but stated if the Center had special projects they were welcome to return to Council to request additional funding. At this time, the Teen Center has secured a \$1,000 grant to utilize a drug and alcohol counselor. Participation in the program has grown from 7 participants last year to 13 this year. They are requesting the City fund the additional \$3,000 necessary. Ms. Grant stated she would prepare a budget amendment and these funds would come from the 2012 Budget. Councilmembers stated it is important for the City to support this and they concurred with this request.

11. RECESS

Council meeting was recessed at 7:01 p.m. to allow the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the Airport Board meeting. The Council meeting reconvened at 7:08 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board meeting.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.



Peri S. Gallucci
City Clerk



Robert R. Goedde
Mayor

DATE APPROVED BY COUNCIL:

December 13, 2012