

MINUTES OF THE JULY 25, 2013 COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall, 135 East Johnson Avenue, Chelan, Washington

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Schmidt, City Attorney Batjer, Acting City Clerk/Assistant Finance Director Lingle, Finance Director Grant, Planning Director Gildroy, Public Works Director Van Epps, Parks & Recreation Director Sablan, Golf Course Superintendent Jared Finch, Sanitation Truck Drivers, Jason Miller and Jared Teague.

3. AGENDA CHANGES

- A. None.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- A. Leslie Jacques, 210 E Woodin Ave, spoke to Council about adding directional signs to include the second block of downtown Woodin Avenue.
- B. Richard Simonds, President of the Lake Chelan Historical Society, advised Council the Historical Society has been working with the Building Department to establish a permanent location to stage a historical school bell from the late 1800's or early 1900's. Mr. Gildroy advised due to the size and weight of the bell, engineering of a permanent or impermanent structure to house the bell is required. Mr. Cooney suggested housing the bell in front of the new library or inside the lobby. Council recommended Mr. Simonds work with Mr. Schmidt and the Arts Council.
- C. Stan Morse, 219 Center Street, requested the City apply additional parking provisions for large events such as the recent ChelanMan event.
- D. Barb Koenig, 2127 West High Street, reminded Council of previous discussions to create a crosswalk on the second block of downtown Woodin Avenue. She would like to have this reviewed for safety and convenience of citizens and tourists.

5. MINUTES

Mr. Cooney moved to approve the minutes as follows. Second by Ms. Isenhart. Motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approve Minutes of July 11, 2013 Regular City Council Meeting

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Cooney moved to approve the consent agenda as follows. Second by Ms. Isenhart. Motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approve Claims Warrants No. 81550 – 81633 totaling \$402,170.56 and Payroll Warrants No. 41168 – 41287 totaling \$190,747.18.
- B. 2013 2nd Quarter Financial Report

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- A. NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS: Mr. Schmidt stated this was an opportunity for Councilmembers to meet new staff.

Mr. Sablan introduced Jared Finch, Golf Course Superintendent.

Mr. Van Epps introduced Jarred Teague and Jason Miller, Sanitation Truck Drivers/Utility Workers.

No action required.

- B. CHELAN COUNTY PUD LAKE LEVEL REPORTING UPDATE: Mr. Schmidt introduced Ann Congdon, Commissioner, and Suzanne Hartman who was recently appointed Communications Manager for Chelan PUD. Ms. Hartman informed Council of several new methods to provide updates on lake levels to the public including a new way to access information via cell phones. Council and Ms. Congdon shared a brief discussion on lake levels.

No action required.

- C. REPORT ON THE SHORELINE RESTORATION/BEACH ENHANCEMENT/MARINA EXPANSION PROJECT: Mr. Sablan stated Jim Brennan was present to update Council on the project. Mr. Brennan discussed the progress and reminded Council of additional changes which were previously discussed. Mr. Brennan said they were closing out the first part of the project and additional projects would still be under the original permit for several years. Councilmembers asked questions including dredging the marina to return sand back to the beach and placing stairs from the parking lot to the marina for safety reasons.

No action required.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. None.

9. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND OTHER ITEMS

- A. THE LOOKOUT STREETS NOMENCLATURE: Mr. Gildroy explained to Council this item was for the Granite Ridge Subdivision which is now known as The Lookout. Chelan County is requesting a name change from "loops" to "lanes" but it is not required to be done through ordinance by the City and loops could become lanes in the future. Mr. Gildroy recommended the change be incorporated into this agenda item.

Guy Evan, 37 Hwy 97A, said he is fine working with "lanes" if the City requires it but would prefer "loops" because loops as roads are loops.

Tim Hibbard, Granite Ridge, has lived in Granite Ridge for some time and was not informed of the name changes. He feels he should have had input and was not given that right. Mr. Hibbard requested Council wait until the Homeowner's Association meets to determine if the names are to be changed.

Mr. Evans stated this is time sensitive because they are selling homes and will need direction for utility installation.

Mr. Gildroy recommended moving forward with name changes as considerable steps are required to complete the process.

Councilmembers said the two parties should work it out without City involvement and suggested they call a homeowners meeting and come back in two weeks

Mr. Harper moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Ordinance as presented renaming and adding street names within the Granite Ridge Subdivision and changing "Loop" to "Lane". Second by Mr. Morehouse. Motion passed 6 to 1 with Mr. Higgins voting nay.

- B. CHELAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CONTRACT PROPOSAL DISCUSSION: Mr. Schmidt gave a presentation including several different financial scenarios. Sargent Huddleston was present to answer questions. Councilmembers had a lengthy discussion regarding the feasibility of new contract versus reinstating the City's own police department. The discussion included the number of officers, emergency response times, overtime, 24/7 coverage, marine patrol, and if the City of Chelan was paying to provide benefits for outlying areas. Sgt. Huddleston strongly suggested the City does not decrease the number of officers to five for safety reasons. Increasing sales taxes was discussed to help fund the contract. Councilmembers feel the County should make a greater effort to inform citizens the Sheriff's Department is the City's protection.

Mr. Steele moved to table this item for two weeks until the City receives a breakdown of costs. Motion died for lack of a second.

Councilmembers continued discussion.

Mr. Steele moved to table the item for two weeks until the City receive a breakdown of costs. Mr. Harper seconded the motion. Motion failed 3-4 with Cooney, Harper, Higgins, and McCardle voting nay.

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Mr. Harper moved to have the Mayor bring forward a draft Law Enforcement Contract with Chelan County to be considered at the next available City Council meeting. Second by Mr. Higgins. Motion passed unanimously.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- A. JOHNSON AVENUE BOULEVARD LANDSCAPING: Ms. McCardle inquired about the status of the Johnson Avenue landscaping. Mr. Schmidt informed Ms. McCardle that Mr. Van Epps will be bringing information before Council in early fall.
- B. SEATTLE MET MAGAZINE: Ms. McCardle told Council an article promoting tourism and the wineries was written about Chelan and appeared in the Seattle Met Magazine. Ms. McCardle passed out the cover page of the magazine to Councilmembers.
- C. COLUMBIA PARK TREES: Ms. McCardle asked if the Columbia Park trees proposal will be brought to Council. Mr. Schmidt stated it will be in early fall.
- D. COUNCIL CHAMBERS VOLUME: Mr. Higgins asked if staff could increase the volume as the air conditioner is drowning out voices in Council Chambers making it difficult to hear.
- E. EVENT/SUMMER PARKING ISSUE: Mr. Cooney brought up the parking issue stated by Stan Morse and said it was not just the ChelanMan event but all summer long.
- F. LIBRARY TOUR: Mr. Cooney said the tour of the library was phenomenal and is very pleased with the progress. He believes the City should predetermine how the second floor will be used before the library opens up.

Mr. Harper agreed.

- G. SHERIFF CONTRACT: Mr. Harper is glad the sheriff contract is moving forward.

Mr. Steele is happy with the Sheriff's Department. He just wants to ensure it is sustainable.

- H. AIRPORT PROJECT: Mr. Morehouse stated he is happy the airport project is moving forward.
- I. WINTER RECREATION: Mr. Morehouse feels that winter recreation is not being promoted enough and feels retailers could assist in getting information out.

- J. MAYORS/PORT DISTRICT MEETING: Mr. Goedde attend the mayors meeting with the Port District. There is a possibility the Port will take full responsibility of Pangborn Airport but will reduce their commitment to the Lake Chelan Municipal Airport. It appears the Port's emphasis is to transition from business to tourism.
- K. TRAIL SYSTEM: Mr. Goedde spoke with Senator Parlette regarding a trail and bicycle system utilizing the old Beebe Bridge.
- L. PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT FUNDING: Mr. Goedde discussed lack of funding available for the Public Works projects with Senator Parlette who advised him she was informed a Bond Issuance was the way to access funding.

Mr. Schmidt stated Ms. Grant completed an analysis of the cost of a bond issue versus a loan through the Public Works Trust Fund amortized over a thirty year period. A Bond Issue would cost the entity \$1.7 million more than the Public Works Trust Fund Loan.

11. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- A. COUNCIL WORKSHOP: Mr. Schmidt reminded Council of the August 13, 2013 Council Workshop which will begin at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. The agenda will include the disposition of the old library building and what Council would like to do with the second floor of the new library building. He stated Committee meetings will be suspended for August.

Mr. Cooney suggested having real estate individuals give a presentation of commercial rates for leases or the value of the building if Council decides to sell the building. He would also like the value of the second floor as a large room and/or sectioned out.

12. RECESS

Council meeting was recessed at 6:45 p.m. to allow the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the Airport Board meeting. The Council meeting reconvened at 7:02 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board meeting.

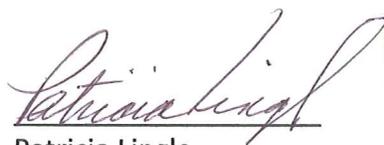
13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Matters Pertaining to Potential Litigation RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)

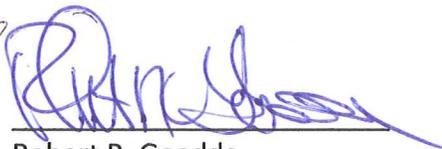
This item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints. The executive session will be held at the August 8, 2013 Regular City Council Meeting.

14. ADJOURNMENT

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



Patricia Lingle
Acting City Clerk



Robert R. Goedde
Mayor

DATE APPROVED BY COUNCIL:

August 8, 2013