

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 22, 2015 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, McCardle, Morehouse and Steele. ABSENT/EXCUSED: Councilmember Isenhart.

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

3. AGENDA CHANGES

- A. Add Support Services for Veterans Families as the first item under Special Presentations  
B. Add Executive Session for Matters of Potential Litigation (RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- A. Russ Jones, 29 Chestnut, said he is in disbelief that he is talking about this subject again. He thanked Council for its ban on woody debris in City waters. He said in the last couple of years it seems to have gone away but he follows public notices on dock projects and he said there are three permit applications for large woody debris. He will be going to the Commissioners on Monday for a ban of all large woody debris in all of Lake Chelan. They have been somewhat resistant in the past. He said all along they have tried to get engineers to understand basic mathematics. If you put a 9' tree in 10' water and have a boat with a 5' keel, the interface zone is not good for boats. He has never received any explanation from ACOE on how this is not a hazard. He is going to ask the County to pass a resolution stating woody debris can be placed as long as it isn't more than 12" off the lake bottom which should alleviate concerns regarding dock owners providing mitigation. He told Council if they feel inclined to chat with the Commissioners, please feel free to attend. He said Mr. Morehouse was passing around a petition and Mr. Jones really appreciates the support. He said this needs to get resolved once and for all. Lake Chelan is the only body of water in the world that has large, dead fruit trees installed as mitigation. It is a basic problem of safety. He thanked Councilmembers.

5. MINUTES

**Mr. Harper moved to approve the minutes as follows. Second by Mr. Morehouse. Motion passed unanimously.**

- A. Minutes of the January 8, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting

6. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. December 31, 2014 Claims Warrants No. 84484 - 84490 totaling \$13,229.75
- B. January 22, 2015 Claims Warrants No. 84491 – 84518 totaling \$394,754.18 and Payroll Warrants No. 44833 – 44900 totaling \$\$142,271.10
- C. Excuse Councilmember Cooney from the January 8, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
- D. Excuse Councilmember Isenhart from the January 22, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- A. SUPPORT SERVICES FOR VETERANS FAMILIES: Pete Hudlow and Andrew Pruitt, Support Services for Veteran Families, gave a presentation on their organization and activities. Mr. Hudlow thanked the Mayor for inviting them. The funds for this program came from a Veteran's Administration grant to assist homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless families for five counties. The money was earmarked for several years but was awarded on October 1, 2014. This funding gives the veterans an opportunity to get back up on their feet and becoming contributing members to their families. The organization has six people working in the field and they find veterans through networks and referrals including going out to encampments in the woods. They are aggressively seeking individuals and are working with them on an individual basis by determining if they qualify for benefits and if so what they are. These include housing and referral services. If a person calls, the phone will be answered by a real person and they will be transferred to a real person, people talking to people. He said they are looking for a local resource which can be employed in this area. They are looking at developing partnerships in Wenatchee and Chelan to obtain as many support services as possible. Councilmembers suggested they connect with Pastor Paul Palumbo and his "Welcome Home Vets" Program.

Mr. Pruitt said he always starts with a thank you to the Vietnam fighters. He did three combat tours and upon every return, Vietnam veterans were there to advocate and make sure he had the things he needed. If there is a Vietnam Veteran in the room, thank you. Their advocacy over the last fifty years made sure this generation didn't have to come back to what they did.

Steve Palmbush, VFW 463, said this thing has been a long time coming. It restores a little of his faith that the Veteran's Administration is reaching out. People who have participated in multiple tours have a lot of damage which is corrosive to the soul in combat situations. He said this money has been appropriated for seven years and although it took a while to get here, he's glad it is here.

Mr. Goedde said their jeans and t-shirts were the right attire to reach the veterans.

Mr. Cooney said he is impressed only 9% of the funding goes to administration with the other 91% going to programs.

Mr. Harper thanked them for their service and everything they do.

- B. AMERESCO ENERGY SAVINGS GRANT & SOLAR SAVINGS GRANT UPDATE: Murray Greenwood, Ameresco, gave a brief update on the energy savings grant and the solar savings grant. He discussed heating and controls, street light replacement, lake water irrigation for Don Morse Park, and solar panels at the golf course. The project is progressing well, within budget, and targeted for completion before the summer tourist season.

**No action required.**

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. None.

9. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND OTHER ITEMS

- A. RESTRICTING PARKING ON SR97A IN LAKESIDE ORDINANCE ADOPTION: Mr. Van Epps stated this item was introduced to Council at the last meeting and it was now before Council for adoption. He said the current ordinance states there is no parking allowed at that location but it hasn't been enforced. Councilmembers requested staff perform the budgeted parking study so they may have a proposed solution before cars begin parking in the surrounding neighborhoods.

**Mr. Morehouse moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-1485 restricting parking on portions of SR97A. Second by Mr. Harper. Motion passed unanimously.**

- B. SPEED LIMIT REVISION ON SR97A IN LAKESIDE ORDINANCE ADOPTION: Mr. Van Epps reminded Council they had asked for pictures to get a feel for where the speed limit revision would occur. Council discussed costs, placement of the sign, and enforcement. It was suggested to move the electronic sign at Lakeside to the speed limit revision area and encourage the State Patrol to patrol the area. Mr. Van Epps informed Council movement of the sign and no revision would have to be agreed upon with the Department of Transportation.

**Mr. Cooney moved to keep the speed limit as is currently indicated by existing signs and instruct staff to return with an ordinance stating the same. Second by Mr. Steele. Motion passed unanimously.**

- C. RATE & FEE RESOLUTION AMENDMENT: Mr. Grant stated the rate and fee amendments had come from several different departments and she briefly discussed the changes.

**Mr. Morehouse moved to adopt Resolution No. 2015-1289 amending Resolution 2014-1282 and setting fees to be charged for water, sewer, and sanitation services, park and golf fees, and other charges. Second by Ms. McCardle. Motion passed unanimously.**

10. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- A. WINTERFEST: Mr. Steele gave a huge thank you to City staff, Public Works, and everyone who helped with Winterfest over the past couple of weeks and months. One more Winterfest weekend left which will be held in Manson and hopefully the weather will cooperate. He

requested anyone who had any feedback to please pass it along. He said it was a really great year and thanks for everything.

Mr. Morehouse said Mr. Schmidt was missed at the Winterfest Ice Bar this year. He thinks the snow was great and it really helped things.

Ms. McCardle echoes Mr. Steele's comments. She said thank you to City staff and that the weekend wouldn't have come together without Mr. Sablan helping coordinate things. She said the fireworks went off without a hitch, park looked beautiful, and she was pleasantly surprised at the polar splash. She said Mr. Van Epps team was phenomenal as she has never had to deal with snow in the six years she has been doing Winterfest. It was great to see how quickly the streets were cleaned and the snow was out of the way. She invited everyone to come for the Manson weekend events including Ale Tasting and the ZuZu Acrobats. They were featured on America's Got Talent and will be performing at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Cooney said thanks for Winterfest. It filled the businesses and it was a wonderful scene downtown. There was no not one single call for the fire department and it's nice the event is not taxing the City's social services

- B. LARGE WOODY DEBRIS: Mr. Morehouse said there is a County Council meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, January 26, 2015 and large woody debris is on the agenda. He has found additional research that proves it's meaningless. They are just going to focus on the safety issue at this time. He is circulating a petition if Councilmembers want to sign.
- C. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES MEETING: Mr. Harper said he covered the Emergency Management Services meeting while Mr. Goedde was on the other side of the hill. He said there is 22.8% cost increase this year and he wants to know why. He said he listened to the stories from the Mayors of Cashmere and Entiat, and the City Administrator from Leavenworth and we need to be thankful there is no railroad running through the City. He said the County has a plan for everything which is impressive. He said there are hazardous chemicals everywhere but the biggest thing the City has to face is the schools on SR97A and the apple plants. Chelan has less exposure but pays more. He said the real question is what are we getting for the money. Mr. Harper wants to get Kent Sisson to present to Council.
- D. COUNCIL MEETING ABSENCE: Mr. Cooney apologized to Council for missing the last Council meeting. He thought he had communicated he was going to be absent to Ms. Gallucci and Mr. Schmidt but he did not. It is totally his fault and he apologizes.
- E. TRASH CANS: Mr. Cooney said when he was in Butte, he saw in the paper the City had went to 64 gallon trash cans and bought matching blue ones for all commercial businesses. He said this might be something to look at in future as the arm on the garbage truck would be able to handle those better.

- F. TOWN TOYOTA CENTER MEETING: Mr. Cooney attended the Town Toyota Center meeting. They had a presentation on a scientific way to track the economic impact of the Center which showed it brought in about 7.2 million dollars up a million dollars from 2013. He said the Center is working with a little less than \$200,000 red operating ink which is down from \$400,000 and the highest was \$500,000. He said the general manager informed them other centers in the northwest have about \$800,000 red operating ink but that is not what constituents want to hear as they want it as close to zero as possible. Mr. Cooney said although the Center is doing better, the Board is still operating in survival mode and saying watch it.
  - G. CHELAN VALLEY HOPE: Mr. Cooney would like Chelan Valley Hope and the Food Bank to attend a future Council meeting. He wants to know where they stand and what their plans are. He doesn't believe the fundraising is going as fast as they thought and he would hate for the two years to pass and find out they are unable to purchase the building.
  - H. PAUL SCHMIDT: Mr. Higgins said he is glad to have Mr. Schmidt here and back.
  - I. CERB GRANT: Mr. Goedde said he had attended the Community Economic Revitalization Board meeting with Mark Urdahl from the Port of Chelan County. He wooed them a little bit and the City was awarded the CERB Planning Grant for a fire flow feasibility study.
  - J. AWC LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION: Mr. Goedde said he invited Representative Hawkins and Senator Parlette to the AWC Legislative Reception. Representative Hawkins was unable to attend but Senator Parlette did. Mr. Goedde was unable to make it as he was having knee troubles.
  - K. REPRESENTATIVE HAWKINS MEETING: Mr. Goedde said he met with Representative Hawkins and Representative Hawkins is looking at funding for the bridge. He doesn't have a source yet.
  - L. MAYOR'S SUMMIT: Mr. Goedde attended the Mayor's Summit. It was a good opportunity to see what everyone else is doing and what the legislature is doing. He talked with the Mayors of Sequim and Shelton and he doesn't believe the lawsuit will go much further. He said the Mayor of Sequim had a previous issue with the Freedom Foundation and it took ten years to get through it.
  - M. LAWSUIT DEPOSITIONS: Mr. Goedde sat through Mr. Galbraith's depositions for the lawsuit filed by Al Lorenz, et. al.. He said Mr. Galbraith did a good job. There was an intimation City Councilmembers would be deposed.
11. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
- A. GLAD TO BE BACK: Mr. Schmidt said it was good to be back. He is glad he doesn't have a 20 pound brain and he is going to be okay.

- B. STRATEGIC RETREAT: Mr. Schmidt reminded Council the Strategic Retreat is dialed in for February 28, 2015. Council will be reviewing the Parks Comprehensive Plan and providing input.
- C. AWC CITY ACTION DAYS: Mr. Schmidt informed Council AWC is holding City Action Days February 18 and 19, 2015. He told Councilmembers to notify the City Clerk if they wanted to attend.
- D. AWC CLOSEOUT EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: Mr. Schmidt said they were reviewing the AWC closeout employment compensation retro program. He said the City will probably save \$15,000 in L & I insurance premiums in 2015. He credits the employee's hard work in being proactive in public safety meeting.
- E. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES: Mr. Schmidt told Council the City will be partnering with other cities and asking the Sheriff's Department to amend the annual contract to include a Scope of Work clause. He would like the contract to include a specific emergency plan for Chelan and direct planning for each city. He is requesting "table top" exercises to include the School district, the fire department, etc. to determine who will do what in different "what if" scenarios.
- F. CHAMBER LEASE: Mr. Schmidt said staff will be bringing a proposed potential lease for the current Chamber office. He will be bringing thoughts and ideas and is looking for Council input.

12. RECESS

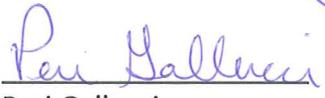
The City Council meeting was recessed at 7:27 p.m. to allow the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the Airport Board Meeting. The Council meeting reconvened at 7:28 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board Meeting.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

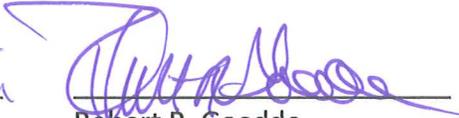
A. At 7:28 p.m. Mr. Goedde stated there would be an Executive Session regarding Matters of Potential Litigation (RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)) lasting five minutes with no action to be taken. The Executive Session began at 7:29 p.m. At 7:34 p.m., Mr. Goedde stated the Executive Session would last five more minutes. At 7:39 p.m., Mr. Goedde stated the Executive Session would last five more minutes. At 7:44 p.m., Mr. Goedde stated the Executive Session would last two more minutes. At 7:46 p.m., Mr. Goedde stated the Executive Session would last two more minutes. At 7:48 p.m. the Executive Session adjourned and the regular meeting reconvened.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.



Peri Gallucci  
City Clerk



Robert R. Goedde  
Mayor

DATE APPROVED BY COUNCIL:

February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015