

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 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, Isenhart McCardle and Morehouse. ABSENT/EXCUSED: Councilmember Steele.

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Schmidt, City Attorney Galbraith, City Clerk Gallucci, Finance Director Grant, and Planning Director Gildroy.

3. AGENDA CHANGES

- A. Add Excuse Councilmember Steele from the September 10, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
- B. Remove Approval of the August 27, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- A. Stan Morse, 219 South Center Street, discussed parking issues in his neighborhood and Lakeside Park. He suggested the City charge for parking, encourage Lakeside Park patrons to use Don Morse Park, create more parking spaces, and provide an alternative area to park. He suggested City crews look at the weeds on the roadside due to fire issues. He believes it is the City's responsibility.

5. RECESS

The City Council meeting was recessed at 6:07 p.m. to allow the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the Airport Board and Port of Chelan County Joint Meeting. The Council meeting reconvened at 6:48 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board Meeting.

6. MINUTES

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

- A. August 25, 2015 Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting
- B. Approval of the August 27, 2015 Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting were removed from the agenda.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. September 10, 2015 Claims Warrants No. 85644 – 85711 totaling \$317,327.27 and Payroll Warrants No. 46371 - 46493 totaling \$233,836.07.
- B. Excuse Councilmember Steele from the September 10, 2015 City Council Meeting.

8. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. None.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. None.

10. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND OTHER ITEMS

A. DIETRICH ANNEXATION PETITIONER MEETING: Mr. Gildroy explained Shari and Darren Dietrich are petitioning to be annexed into the City. This is a direct petition method annexation initiated by them. Council is being asked to accept that petition, reject the petition or modify the boundary to include Kevin Dietrich’s and Linda Martinson’s respective properties. Mr. Gildroy informed Council he had spoken with Kevin Dietrich but had not been able to connect with Linda Martinson yet. Councilmembers stated Ms. Martinson should have been talked to prior to this being on the agenda.

Mr. Morehouse moved the direct annexation petition by Darren and Shari Dietrich be accepted with the annexation boundary enlarged as shown in exhibit 2. The annexation area is required to assume its share of the City’s indebtedness and the zoning shall be in accordance with the pre-annexation zoning map of Special Use District. Second by Mr. Harper. Motion passed 5 - 1 with Higgins voting nay.

B. NUISANCE ABATEMENT RESOLUTION: Mr. Gildroy discussed the Nuisance Abatement process, stating they are citizen initiated. Clean up is paid at prevailing wage by the City who then has to lien the property to recover the costs. Mr. Galbraith discussed the lien process.

Stan Morse, 219 South Center Street, encouraged Council to approach legislators as they have a window of opportunity. Council should be able to get an amendment or some form of concession with Department of Ecology for burning in the Urban Growth Boundary. He suggested to stop the problems with the Butte, it should be burned in November or March to create a barrier. Council has a moral imperative to take it over to the legislature.

Ms. Isenhart moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the 118 Pinnacle Place and 617 E. Wapato Avenue Nuisance Abatement Resolution No. 2015-1297 instructing staff to abate the property and for the city attorney to lien the property. Second by Ms. McCardle. Motion passed unanimously.

11. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Ms. McCardle

- Distributed a packet from the Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Board outlining what the Chamber has done since the fire broke out. They have spent \$200,000 on a campaign for fall to try and address the absence of tourists.
- Has heard several comments from the community regarding fires. She thinks it would be a huge missed opportunity not to pull all of the agencies together that worked so hard in last

month. She wants to sit down and talk about what went well and what needs to be improved. The goal would be revised policies and a list of “asks” for state and federal legislators.

Mr. Higgins

- It is important to continue to remind people how important it is to go out and buy local. Shopping in the community can make a big difference for the people who are here.

Ms. Isenhardt

- Has been thinking along the same lines as Ms. McCardle. She has talked with Jim Huffman and is trying to get together meetings where citizens can come in and get information from various agencies regarding services they may need including grief counseling, help with insurance companies, attorneys, etc.

Mr. Cooney

- Today was a spectacular day, there were no catastrophes and he thinks that’s really great.
- Sales revenue appears to be only 30% of regular volume over the last two weeks. He knows businesses are making adjustments and would like to know what the City is going to do to adjust.

Mr. Harper

- Is looking forward to hearing back from Congressman Reichert on how the fires were managed, particularly the Wolverine Fire. He wants to know who is making the decisions and their reasoning for it as it doesn’t make any sense.
- Very lucky we did not lose our police officer yesterday.

Mr. Morehouse

- Thanked Mike Steele for his talks on the radio. He got the word out and made Chelan Valley Hope the center piece. It was very proactive of City Council to put Chelan Valley Hope in the old library several years ago. They were there, very staffed up and ready to go. He thanked Chelan Fire District 7 and Mayor Goedde.
- Attended the City’s Wellness Picnic. He thanked Paul Schmidt, Mark Lawrence and Eric Gocke.

Mr. Goedde

- Has a draft letter to forward to the USDA asking how they decide when to fight fire and when not to.
- Was impressed the TV station came back when the smoke was gone.
- Attended the Chelan Douglas Transportation Council.
- Is looking at ways to rehabilitate Lake Chelan. It was inundated with debris and it is important there isn’t a ton of logs coming down the lake in the spring.
- Will be getting together with AWC for assistance with the legislators.
- Tomorrow is Patriot’s Day.

12. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Schmidt

- Thanked Councilmembers for attending the Wellness Picnic. It is an employee appreciation and was well attended. He thanked the Wellness Committee for their hard work.
- In regards to tourism and the drop off due to the smoke before and after the fires, WCIA is conducting their retreat at Campbell's and it's going to be perfect weather.
- The Planning Director's conference is here now.
- AWC Vision Magazine wants to do an article on the impact of the fires on businesses so he referred them to the Chamber of Commerce.
- The RV Park has refunded almost \$54,000 dollars with an estimated \$189,000 lost revenue which is almost 22% of the Parks annual revenue.
- Will be cancelling the Public Safety Committee meeting. He will get together with Chief Lemon and Sgt. Huddleston as soon as he can.
- October is budget month.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

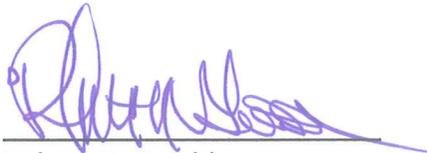
A. None.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.



Peri Gallucci
City Clerk



Robert R. Goedde
Mayor

DATE APPROVED BY COUNCIL:

October 8, 2015