

Regular City Council Meeting
August 12, 2010
Minutes

Present: Mayor Keith Vradenburg

Council Members Present: Tom Martin
Joseph Stegeman
Joy Draper
Bill Haven
Lalla Przespolewski

Staff: Public Works Director Bob Whitehall, Community Development Director Susan Driver, Clerk-Treasurer Karen Sweeney

Guests: Maria Agnew- Chelan County Sheriff Patrol Supervisor, Les Bowen - Chelan Mirror, Dan Howell - Forsgren & Associates

Flag Salute

1. Call to Order: Mayor Vradenburg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and established a quorum.

2. Consent agenda:

Motion #1: Council Member Joy Draper moved and Council Members Tom Martin and Joe Stegeman seconded to approve consent agenda as follows:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2010
- B. Approval-Payroll Warrants #10-14-Warrants #7186-7213 \$46,367.45
- C. Approval-Payable Warrants #10-15-Warrants #17248--17294 \$60,479.74
- D. Finance Reports

ALL YEA. MOTION PASSED.

3. Public Hearing: Amending Six Year Transportation Improvement Program adding Entiaqua Trail to Program Plan, to allow for grant applications.

Opened at 7:03 pm

Mayor Vradenburg stated that this only to add the Entiaqua Trail system to the Six Year Transportation Program Plan to allow the City to apply for grants. It is #20 on the plan list. Public Works Director Whitehall stated this to include the trail from highway 97A up to the kiosk. Community Development Director Susan Driver added that her and Bob will be going to RTPO meeting on August 26th to present our formal application, there are 18 other projects applying for the grant. Mayor Vradenburg asked if there are any questions. Council Member Stegeman asked about the potholes on Cammack. PW Director Whitehall stated that he and Mike had just gone over the streets recently and they would be filling the holes this month. PW director Whitehall went On to explain the reason they haven't done them is that the Developer was going to be required to do street changes in that area and we were waiting for that to happen. Mayor Vradenburg stated that we would be doing a whole

bunch at once instead of doing little jobs. The Mayor asked if there are any other questions. The Mayor went on to add that the railroad crossings are being done by the railroad now.

Closed 7:07 pm

MOTION #2 Council Member Joy Draper moved Council Member Bill Haven seconded to approve the amendments to the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program adding the Entiaqua Trail for the purpose of applying for grants.

ALL YEA. MOTION PASSED.

4. Resolution #2010-365 Amending Resolution #2010-358 STIP

MOTION #3 Council Member Joy Draper moved Council Member Joe Stegeman seconded to adopt Resolution 2010-365 amending Res.2010-358 for the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program adding the Entiat River Trail and Outdoor learning Center to the program.

ALL YEA. MOTION PASSED

5. Reports:

Chelan County Sheriff's Department - Lieutenant Maria Agnew Patrol Supervisor.

Sheriff Harem has changed staff assignments between her and Lieutenant Kent Sisson who is now in Emergency Management. We will try to be present when needed at meetings and are attending meetings together for awhile to make the transition smoother. Mayor Vradenburg asked if there were any questions for Maria. Mayor Vradenburg asked if she was aware that the hours for the City were increased this year and she stated yes she and Kent had discussed it and would talk further about it at the meeting next Thursday with the Mayor. The Mayor stated we are appreciative of the officers being seen more in the City. The Mayor stated that the City is concerned with the jail charges that we are receiving and Maria asked if that was addressed and the Mayor said yes. The Mayor also noted that they are making walk through at the Park on weekends which is appreciated. Maria asked if we are NIMS compliant and Clerk Sweeney stated that yes we are, staff had just complete the 704 testing and all of the certificates were in the book except for the Mayors which she had not received yet. Mayor Vradenburg asked Maria if there was any way the City could be included in any training being done. Maria said she would have Gene Ellis include the City on the email list for those activities. Mayor Vradenburg alerted Maria that the City is working with the State Highway Department to get the speed limit changed through the City on the north end to 30 then 40 then 50 and up to 60 graduating the speed not just a jump from 40 to 60 and vice versa.

A. Engineer: see submitted report

B. Public Works Maintenance: Public Works Director Bob Whitehall reported that there is some storm damage on the lower end of Saska Hills; he has met

with Bert Bargman to look at the damage to determine what has caused it and how it might be corrected to not allow it to happen in the future. Bob stated maybe the City can apply for some grants to install check dams in the draws coming down into town to slow the velocity of the water runoff.

Public Works Director Whitehall stated he had taken the Public Works Field Supervisor through the yearly water testing just recently so he would know how and what to do.

The Sewer plant has everything running now and working well, the last little decanter motor is in, we haven't had to use it yet but we are getting close. Also during the electrical storm on Monday we lost two of our computer screens one in our pump house and one other one, we had two poles hit in town even with all of our systems to protect it we still got damage, so they are off being repaired or will be replaced.

Public Works Director Whitehall - The last thing is the Composting pit - I've kind of been going around with DOE and the problems that we are having there I'm going to - what happened was we got a bill from air quality, we just got the bill, I pushed to get the bill because it was going around in Ecology that we were non compliant because we didn't have an Air Quality Permit for our compost site, well first of all I didn't know we had to have one

Bob stated that he, the Mayor and the Community Development Director Susan Driver had written a letter to Senator Linda Evans-Parlette asking for help with changing this. Bob stated I don't feel we should have to pay \$1600.00 for an Air Quality Permit and \$400.00 for the composting each year for the amount we are doing. We are going to send a letter saying we are taking our compost to the County site at Dryden and Brenda is going to compost it there, to get the point across to them. We don't have it in our budget, so were going to put in the budget for next year in the mean time we are going to work with Senator Parlette to see if we can get some changes made. Our fee is the same as the County they can compost 1000 yards of compost and we can do 30 yards of end product. There has to be something for small cities to, it costs you money in the first place then you have to pay additional fees its not worth it, its better to send it to somebody else or take to the landfill. It seems a rip off to me so I'm going to fight them on this we may lose I don't know, at least they'll know we won't just give them the money and walk away I don't think that is the way to do it. Anyway that's all I have.

Mayor Vradenburg asked if there were any questions for Bob.

Council Member Joy Draper asked about working with the County Weed Board. Public works Director Bob Whitehall stated that she is overwhelmed throughout the County right now, she is fighting and battling the railroad they did finally do some spraying. She is having a terrible time with the PUD getting them to spray, she thinks she'll get through to them but it will take all this year just to get them on a program to do their stuff in the future. I think we've got pretty good compliance but we are a week behind now on our goat head because of the rains, in a weeks time those things can go like crazy but we are gaining, she is totally swamped all over the county right now it's a big area.

Mayor Vradenburg remarked that he had talked to Shiloh Senator Parlette's aid and as soon as the Senator gets the stuff from us she is going to assign one person to that only.

D. Park Board: none

E. Tree Board: See attached July Agenda

F. Economic Development Board: Community Development Director Susan Driver stated the Econ. Develop. Board has been meeting with a Festival Planner and talking about what it would take to bring a festival here. In the mean time the Port of Chelan County dropped one in our laps. The Port is working with the group called the David Thompson Brigade; if you don't know who David Thompson is think of Thompson maps, he is the guy who did the original mapping for the Hudson Bay Company. He did a lot of his mapping via commute, so they would come through in 10 man canoes in great big bunches of people, they would go around the various areas. Every year this David Thompson Brigade gets together and they canoe a section of something he mapped. Next year they are canoeing the Columbia River and they propose to stop at Entiat Park. They will have 10 to 20 ten man canoes and all of the entourage that follows them on the road because they have to have portage trucks and that sort of thing. The Port has asked if the City Entiat would like to host a dinner for these folks when they land in our Park. So I've been talking to some of the groups, the women's club and various groups in town to find out what it would take to raise the money to do this to get the volunteers together so it should be a huge media event. A once in a lifetime thing, we are also going to be taking to the school, because the 4th grade here in Entiat actually studies David Thompson, so it would be good to have them do some kind of activity they could present. It would be after school gets out somewhere between the 27th and the 29th of June after Summerfest and it would be on a week night. Economic Development Board will look at that as a potentially easier festival to get started. Then there is group led by the row and paddle club that is working on a replacement for ridge to river which will be the David Thompson Adventure race and they plan to do it annually and it will go throughout the county.

That's it for Economic Development Board any questions?

Mayor Vradenburg reported that the Governor and some of the state dignitaries will be here.

G. Memorial Committee: will not be meeting until October but they got things going Dan Wood is the chair.

H. Building Inspector: See attached report.

I. Finance & Administration: See attached reports.

J. Council: Council Member Tom Martin asked what about shirts for Council I thought we were getting another shirt. Mayor Vradenburg stated that they are going to so many meetings they could use another shirt. Clerk-Treasurer Karen Sweeney told the Council if they wanted to come in and look at the catalog see what the options are, we can get a concensus on color or can order different colors. Council asked Dan Howell where they order theirs they like the look of his shirt. Dan said he would email the info up to Karen.

K. Mayor: Mayor reminded council he would like them to come in every two weeks and get what is in their mail boxes. The LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Commission) right after the floods that Entiat got locked off on both sides for awhile, we are setting up some contingency plan for things to do in case we had a major block for a week or two, and we met on that. One of the things Bob and I talked about was the check dams, so we are going to meet with the Forest Service and some folks about the rehab of Swakane Canyon and Tenas George that blew out in the storms. See if the Forest Service can't do a rehab drop, they did a t Mills Canyon and it worked so why can't they do that for the rest of the canyons that have burned.

Mayor Vradenburg stated the Fire District had gotten their Cultural thing approved it took awhile but all we had to do was get some pictures and we finally got some. So the Fire Department will be issuing, putting out bids for leveling, asphaltting and construction and pre plumbing whatever that is in sometime in September or the first part of October. Then the building will be put up. Three major corporations that do metal buildings of this type that we have contacted can do it in 30 to 45 days the whole building. But you got to have your basic slab and everything ready to go. DOT and the floods, I talked to Bob Romine the head engineer from DOT for this area, we are working on a contingency plan that basically would be we can use the barge from the PUD on an emergency basis. We could actually portage across from our boat dock to Douglas County Park if we had a major problem. PW Director Bob Whitehall said we do have the two ferry landings we could use for the barge. Mayor Vradenburg said yes we could use the boat launch too, to get food in. Mayor Vradenburg said they kept us really apprised, they sent pictures and I sent to some of you, get your email to Karen and I'll make a list and send of your stuff by email. The staff report meeting went well if your around your always welcome to come to those, we have a staff that are very good they go over things and they get it done and we are quite busy. I need a couple of things Joy and Lalla you need to schedule a park walk through as the finance committee.

Reminder the 28th is the river clean up 9 am to noon followed by a barbecue. Town Toyota Center is asking for 2/10% sales tax. We are one of the Cities that signed on to support the Arena but now they are asking for tax dollars that is something we will take under consideration.

See attached Mayors Travels report.

C. Community Development Director Susan Driver asked if she could give her report. Mayor Vradenburg - Please go ahead.

Tree Board got their grant for pocket park, Fire Dept will get their project going, we are working on our economic feasibility study is currently underway that is funded by the Port of Chelan County and our housing needs assessment is underway and is funded by CDBG. We are getting a lot of projects done they just aren't visible so I'm getting a lot of comments about why did the City stop doing anything. We need to make the community aware that we are still moving forward it is just that we are doing the work in the background right now. I think when the City does the volunteer recognition BBQ this fall it should be done down at the waterfront site and have media join it so we can say this is our place this is what is happening it's really going to happen and thanks to all the volunteers for helping us get this far, just get some more word out

there, I'd like to see us do that if it works out, I don't know how, we might have some fire issues we might have some liability I don't know all the details, but we need to do something to get the community back on track and know that we haven't stopped working but what were doing now is behind the scenes setting up the next phase so we don't want to lose the momentum. If anyone else has ideas of what we could do jump in.

Mayor Vradenburg any other questions for Susan. Susan is going to Olympia again presenting on the second of two grants the first one for ALEA (Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account board and next week is to the Washington Wildlife Recreation Program Trails and the week after that we'll be presenting to the Transportation Enhancement group.

Mayor Vradenburg stated that we are being active in getting our name out there even if we don't get any of the grants our name is getting out there so people are aware that we are here and it's a good thing.

Mayor Vradenburg alerted the council that in their packets he had put a letter from the board of commissioners from Chelan and Douglas County for regional support network which oversees public Mental Health has an open position for a governing board member it has to be an elected official from one of the smaller cities in the two counties it happens to be Chelan Counties time to fill this position and I was asked if anybody was interested, we have to let them know fairly soon. Council Member Martin asked what it involved and Mayor Vradenburg state he didn't know what they did other and oversees mental health programs. If you are interested let me know and I'll let them know.

Mayor Vradenburg went on to say that the Council needs to have a workshop on the dog licensing ordinances #328, #554, #637 each amends the other but they are not complete so they need to be amended for sometime in October. In September I'd like to visit, I need Council Member to set a date for a Saturday to visit Pateros and Richland to look at their riverfront parks and talk about their issues and problems we may wait until spring.

That's all I have.

6. Old Business: None

7. New Business:

A. Town Toyota Center Staff: Town Toyota Staff isn't here; it was going to be Joe Jarvis he is the financial Manager for the PUD, he is the President of the Board for the Center and Mark Miller he is the Director and they were going to talk to you about the 2/10 of a percent tax like Rivercom and the Health District. I'll put the information in your box. They want to put it on the ballot next February so they'll probably come in September. They are making enough to pay interest and staff but not anything on the principle, so they have two more years of interest only payments in 2012 they have to start paying pretty good amount on their principle side. I'll put these three pages in your boxes.

B. Set Public Hearing for September Council Meeting for Final Updates to Comp Plan, Zoning Map, Development Regulations, and Extension of UGA Boundaries.

MOTION #4 Council Member Joy Draper moved Council Members Bill Haven and Tom Martin seconded to Set a Public Hearing date for September 9, 2010 at 7 pm for the Final updates to the Comp Plan, Zoning Map, Development Regulations, and Extension of the UGA Boundary.

ALL YEA. MOTION PASSED.

C. Discuss changing Park Policy to allow Campers to have dogs in the Park. Mayor Vradenburg stated I would like to see us have a workshop and I feel the City should hold off allowing dogs in the Park until the changes the Chelan County PUD will be making to the Park including a Dog fenced area. After discussion Council agreed that would be better. We need to have it ready for next year. PW Director Bob Whitehall stated he thought the PUD Ray Heit would like to be involved in those discussions.

Mayor Vradenburg asked if there was anything else, Susan replied she had forgot to mention the Shoreline Master Program update draft is supposed to be ready by August 20th and I have scheduled a workshop with the Planning Commission for he last Tuesday of the Month the 31st. At Some point in September I want to have joint workshops with the council and Planning Commission because this needs to be adopted by June of next year. Mayor Vradenburg stated that September is when we are having a workshop to discuss the dog ordinance and some other things. Susan emailed me this morning the SMP did not get signed by the Commissioners all the Mayors have signed and I emailed Mike Kaputa and instantly he called and we talked about the fact that the Mayors do not want it changed again, Mike decided he would try getting them to sign it. They just want some more verbiage and any time you get more verbiage then we have to send it to our attorneys and they take it to theirs and then it takes another couple of three months. Public Works Director Bob Whitehall stated he was out on North Lakeshore today with Mike and saw Steve Currit and he assured us that the agreement is nearly complete it just held up by the attorney's. Mayor Vradenburg said thank you to everyone for being here and Les the Fire Department is going to get you a heads up on some of the training stuff we are doing.

7. Visitors/Last Minute additions:

Chuck Follis stated he is interested in purchasing Vern's Trailer Court, but I've run into so many set backs, Susan Driver told me the zoning has changed and if I want to put in for a variance I gotta apply in November and you don't look at it until February and then it don't get voted on until September and I'm interested in buying and the lot next to it but she says the lot next to it I can only put one trailer double wide on it and the rest of the land I can't do nothing, I'm interested in getting it zoned so I can put a trailer park in there and the lot next to it. Part of them trailers they are on them lots now they are over hanging right now. I would just like to get that done I'm putting a lot money into that and it's foolish for me to keep going if I gotta wait till September to find out what your decisions are and decide to turn it down and I've got all this time and money wasted I would like to get the Councils feeling on it. I've hauled over 60 loads of junk to the dump. It's getting cleaned up

but it's a one man operation and it's taking time. I would like to see what Council feels so I know whether to keep going or not. Mayor Vradenburg stated there will be a workshop in September and that's one of the things we could put on the workshop to discuss it, we are bound by State rules on some of this too like trailer parks single wides are no more allowed usually, you can use the same footings when you replace one but you have a year. Mr. Follis asked you can't put in a single wide in a trailer park? Community Development Director Susan Drive stated not anymore you can replace it with a double wide though. Mr. Follis asked if you pull out a single wide you can't replace it with a single wide? Community Development Director Driver replied no. Mayor Vradenburg stated the State has disallowed because single wides are basically a fire trap because of one long lane, fire code now has disallowed that. Council Member Joe Stegeman asked not even the little Park Models which they are a single wide too? Susan asked are they brand new. Joe stated yes. Susan stated I don't know we would have to check with the building inspector they would have to meet code. Mayor Vradenburg stated that would be something we have to do is check and discuss it in the workshop. We would need to look at all the rules and we could get the information together and do that at the workshop. Mr. Follis stated I thought in a trailer park those laws didn't apply. Mayor Vradenburg stated I can't really say I'm not knowledgeable in that. We will get everything together all the information for council and they can go through the packets and get all the rules down and I don't want to say something I don't know anything about because I'm not sure about it. So you're asking us to go through and look at that. Mr. Follis asked when was the zoning changed. How can the council go about changing zoning on some ones property without notifying them? No one knew when it became commercial versus residential. Mr. Follis stated he'd like to know whether to jump in or out of the deal. Mayor Vradenburg stated that we would get all the information together and address it in the workshop.

8. Executive Session: Adjourn to Executive session from 8:28 pm to 8:47 pm

Continued Last minute additions after Executive Session:

Motion #5 Council Member Lalla Przespolewski moved Council Member Bill Haven seconded to approve Finance and Administration staff to continue researching and set up to selling car license tabs, registrations and title changes, if the County will allow it.

ALL YEA. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION #6 Council Member Tom Martin moved Council Member Joe Stegeman seconded to approve a \$50.00 per month pay increase for 8 fulltime City staff members.

ALL YEA. MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Vradenburg asked for suggested date and time to set a Workshop. The agreed upon date and time is September 2 a 6pm agenda to include discussing Town Toyota Center request the Mayor will get to Council; Trailer Court issues; Council Pay

increases; Dog licensing and Ordinance, other items of discussion may be brought up if the need arises

9. Adjournment:

Keith Vradenburg, Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Karen M. Sweeney, CMC,
City Clerk-Treasurer

Keith Vradenburg
Mayor