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CITY OF WHITE SALMON
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2008

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Poucher called the Council Meeting of February 6, 2008 to order at 6:02 p.m. Council members Roberts, Keene, Marx, Johnson and Landgren were present. Staff members present: Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Judi Culp, Deputy PWD Tom Smith, PWD Mike Wellman, Police Chief Bruce Brending, Attorney Ken Woodrich and members of the public attended.

II. TOWN HALL

SR35 Bridge Memorandum of Understanding presented by Mayor Brian Prigel, Bingen- Mayor Prigel submitted a memorandum of understanding between the Washington and Oregon partner jurisdictions for funding of the SR-35 final environmental impact statement. The purpose of the MOU is to agree to work cooperatively to secure necessary funding for the completion of the SR-35 Final Impact Statement (FEIS).

Tim Hemstreet of Pacificorps discussed removal of Condit Dam and options for replacing our existing 14" waterline under the existing reservoir with a new line at Pacificorps expense.

Herb Hardin, 995 NW Loop Road would like the City to remove language requiring property owners to agree to annexation when they apply for a water hookup.

Sharon McCormack, 467 W Jewett is on the Railroad Quiet Zone Committee and would like the city to approve the application.

Robin Hale, 65271 Hwy 14 is on the Railroad Quiet Zone Committee said the committee has done extensive work on analyzing the traffic and the effect it would have on the City. The Committee would like the City to approve and submit the application to Burlington Northern Railroad.

Dean Cameron, property owner next to Hood River Bridge would like to encourage City Council to move forward on adopting the Quiet Zone.

Marsha Holliston, Mt Adams Chamber of Commerce would like to encourage City Council to move forward on adopting the Quiet Zone.

III. PUBLIC MEETING

WSMC Title 13 Public Services, Water/Wastewater Rates. The Public Meeting opened at 6:48pm. PWD Wellman displayed a chart showing the present value of the Water/Sewer Impact and Hookup fees. Wellman said the present value of the existing system is \$5,450,470, new improvements \$4,500,000 and water right purchase \$3,000.

Herb Hardin, 995 Loop Road asked when a new water customer begins to pay for water. Wellman said it costs the City from day one. The Customers should be paying as soon as the meter is placed.

Gabriel Gilbert, 1180 Childs Road opposes higher water rates. She would like the City to grant discounts to low income water customers.

Jan Brending, City of Bingen said Section 13.16.055 ERU's needs to remain in the ordinance. This relates to the Interlocal Agreement White Salmon has with the Bingen Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Jim Kacena, 85 Palos Verdes asked what the base rates will be. Wellman said the rates will reflect a base rate and a schedule of usage rates after 5,000 gallons.

Dean Cameron, WS Bridge property owner would like Council to consider that land not yet developed be charged a different rate.

Attorney Woodrich said he will make changes to the present Ordinance and will have it available at the February 20, 2008 Council Meeting. Public Meeting closed at 7:52pm.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes, City Council Meeting – February 6, 2008. C Roberts made a *motion* to approve the City Council meeting minutes of February 6, 2008, C. Marx *seconded* the motion, *Approved* 5-0.

V. ACTION ITEMS (Deferred)

VI. ACTION ITEMS (New)

1. Approval of SR35 Bridge Memorandum of Agreement. C. Roberts made a *motion* to approve the SR35 Bridge Memorandum of Agreement, C Keene *seconded* the motion, *Approved* 5-0.

2. Approval of Klickitat County Jail Agreement for 2008. C. Johnson made a *motion* to approve the 2008 Klickitat County Jail Agreement, C Keene *seconded* the motion. *Approved* 5-0.

3. Approval of Railroad Quiet Zone – C. Johnson made a *motion* to approve the submittal of the Railroad Quiet Zone Committee's application to Burlington Northern Railroad. C. Landgren *seconded* the motion. *Approved* 4-1, *Opposed*, C. Keene.

4. Approval of Salary Step Change for Deputy Clerk Treasurer and Associate Planner/Administration. C. Marx made a *motion* to approve Salary Step Change from Step 14-18 to Step 14-22. C Johnson *seconded* the motion. *Approved* 5-0.

5. Approval of Additional funds of \$5,280.23 to Anson Builders for Fire Hall Porch Project. Prevailing wages were not estimated in the original bid. C. Keene made a *motion* to approve additional funds of \$5,280.23 to Anson Builders, C. Johnson *seconded* the motion. *Approved* 5-0.

VII. DEPARTMENT HEAD/COMMITTEE REPORTS

PWD Wellman said the Pilot Filters are loaded with sand and are ready to install.

City Operations Committee – C. Marx said the committee would like to meet with Police Chief Brending to discuss enforcing the parking Ordinance and the possibility of installing Parking Meters. Mayor Poucher would like the Police Officers to walk Jewett Street and enforce parking.

Police Chief Brending said citizens could contact the police department via e-mail at info@bwspolice.com.

Pool Committee – C. Landgren reported that the pool committee meets the 3rd Monday, 6pm at Beneventi's.

Finance/Audit Committee – C. Johnson said the Finance Committee meets on the 2nd Monday at 7pm.

C Keene said the Attorney's Contract for 2008 needs to be updated.

Business Partners Committee – C. Roberts said the committee meets the first Monday, 12 noon at LaPlayita Restaurant.

C. Roberts said the business owners have concerns about where to put the snow when it piles up.

Police Chief Brending said they have three dates for the State Chiefs and Sheriff Association audit. Jesse Burkhardt asked how much the Police Audit will cost, Brending said it will take 50 hours and cost approximately \$4,500.

VIII. APPROVAL OF CHECKS

Vouchers audited and certified as required by RCW 42.24.080 and expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090 as of this date February 6, 2008. C. Johnson made a *motion* to approve Claim Checks 36434-36435, 36512-36517, 36519-36567 and voided check 36518; in the amount of \$166,137.09; Manual check 889747 in the amount of \$7,050.00; Payroll Checks 20544-20577, 889955-889960 in the amount of \$94,140.25; *seconded* by C. Roberts, *Approved* 5-0.

IX. PUBLIC AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Gabriel Gilbert, 1180 Childs Road said the City should get together with the County about plowing Loop Road.

Donna Marx, 260 NW Lincoln asked if the quiet Zone will be in force 24 hours a day. The answer was yes.

Herb Hardin, 995 Loop Road asked if the sand filter system will remove the giardia in Buck Creek Water, PWD Wellman said yes.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

No Executive Session. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

David R. Poucher
Mayor

Judi Culp
Deputy Clerk Treasurer