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CITY OF WHITE SALMON City Council Regular Meeting Minutes October 17, 2007

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Gaddis called the Council Meeting of October 17, 2007 to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members Roberts, Keene, Marx, Mayo and Gookin were present. Staff members present: Clerk Treasurer – Eric Greene, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer – Judi Culp, PWD Mike Wellman, Deputy PWD Tom Smith, Fire Chief Bill Hunsaker, Police Chief – Bruce Brending and Attorney Deborah Phillips. Public Representatives included; Donna Marx, Ruth Winner, Jim Randall, Don Tackley, Mark Peppel, Jacob Anderson, Bruce Bolme, Leana Johnson, Judy Farrell, Wayne Carlock, Larry Spencer, Shelly Baxter, Val Parish, Andy Long, Stan Horack, Dave Poucher, Michael Mornault, Barbara Hylton, Bob Landgren, Kathy Thomas, Betty Barnes, Suzie Willey, Planning Consultant Dotty DeVaney and Jesse Burkhardt, The Enterprise.

Presentation by Horizons Project Regarding Community Gardens – Bruce Bolme shared concept of creating community gardens in White Salmon. Bolme asked Council support to help identify, sustain, advise and champion a garden area available to all of the White Salmon Community. He encouraged Council to support the community garden concept and assist Horizons Project efforts with suggestions regarding possible placement, usage and design details as well as how to best create this valuable community asset. The consensus of the Council was to support Horizons Project. Contact persons for this project would be the Parks and Recreation Committee, C. Roberts and C. Keene.

Mayor appointment of Civil Service Commission Member. Mayor Gaddis appointed Larry Spencer to the Civil Service Commission. Mayor Gaddis apologized for making an error and at first appointing Spencer as Commission Chair.

II. TOWN HALL

Val Parish, White Salmon asked about the Pool donations and what bank the money was in. C. Keene said the money was in a reserve account. Clerk Treasurer Eric Greene said the money was in Columbia River Bank. Gorge Community Action Council has agreed to accept donations for Corporations that require a 501c3 status. They would then turn the money over to the City.

Stan Horack, 705 W. Jewett said he is with Habit for Humanity, who have been given property to build a house but cannot get water. If the Business license Ordinance is approved would they be required to purchase a Business License. Attorney Phillips said non profit organizations are exempt.

Donna Marx, 260 NW Lincoln asked what position Larry Spencer will fill on the Civil Service Commission. Mayor Gaddis said he will serve as a Civil Service Commissioner.

III. PUBLIC MEETING

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1) Minutes, City Council Meeting – October 3, 2007, C. Roberts made a *motion* to approve the City Council Minutes of October 3, 2007 with corrections, C. Keene *seconded* the motion, *Approved 4-1, Abstained*, C. Mayo.

V. ACTION ITEMS (Deferred)

VI. ACTION ITEMS (New)

1) Resolution 2007-10-297, Commending Mike Clark for Service to the Bingen White Salmon Civil Service Commission. C. Keene made a *motion* to approve Resolution 2007-10-297, C. Roberts *seconded* the motion, *Approved 5-0*.

2) Resolution 2007-10-296, Adopting Schedule of Charges for Service Fees, such as Copy and Fax charges. C. Roberts made a motion to approve Resolution 2007-10-296, C. Mayo *seconded* the motion, *Approved 5-0*.

3) Notice of Intent to Annexation located at 420,440,460, and 480 NW Spring Street as submitted by Shon & Lori Webb. Dotty DeVaney said the subject property is contiguous to the White Salmon City Limits Boundary for the full length of the south property line. By accepting a proposed Notice of intent to Annex the decision of City Council to accept commencement of an annexation proceeding merely allows the annexation to go forward procedurally, and is not a commitment of the City Council to ultimately annex the territory proposed at such time a sufficient petition is presented. In accepting the Notice of Intent to Annex for proposed annexation, the City also must decide whether it will propose a zoning regulation for the area proposed for annexation, and whether it will require the assumption of all or any portion of existing City indebtedness by the area to annex. C. Keene made a *motion* to approve the notice of intent to annexation WS-ANX 2007-01 with the following provisions:

a) The parcel shall, as a condition to annexation, be zoned R-1 Single Family Residential at such time as annexation of the subject parcels into the City of White Salmon shall, by ordinance, be authorized to occur.

b) The owners of the subject parcels shall, as a condition to annexation, be required to assume a pro rata share of the City's then outstanding indebtedness that has been approved by the voters, contracted, or incurred prior to, or existing at, the date of annexation.

c) The owners of the subject parcels shall be required to enter into a development agreement that specifically identifies planned development and all utility facilities and other infrastructure necessary to serve planned development. The purpose of the agreement would be to clarify responsibility for design, installation/construction, and maintenance of facilities and to confirm service capacity or any need for petitioner to participate in the expansion of capacity as necessary to adequately serve planned development.

DeVaney said Council has to approve the Notice of Intent to Annexation for staff to proceed with Annexation Application. C. Keene made a *motion* to approve the Notice of Intent to Annexation for WS-ANX 2007-01. C. Mayo *seconded* the motion, *Approved 4-1. Opposed. C. Marx.*

4) Resolution to change traffic flow direction on 1st Street. Chief Brending said 1st Street had been a two way street and changed to a one way street a few years ago. Traffic Safety had been maintained by allowing only right turns onto Jewett. C. Roberts made a *motion* to direct administration to change 1st Street from a one way Street to a Two way Street with right turns only onto Jewett. C. Mayo *seconded* the motion, *Approved 4-1. Opposed, C. Keene.*

5) Ratification and Approval to terminate Clerk Treasurer Employment Contract. C. Roberts made a *motion* to approve termination of Clerk Treasurer Employment Contract and become an At Will Employee of the City, C. Keene *seconded* the motion, *Approved 5-0*.

6) Approval of 2008 City Attorney Agreement. C. Roberts made a *motion* to Approve the 2008 City Attorney Agreement. C. Gookin *seconded* the motion, *Approved 5-0*.

VII. DEPARTMENT HEAD/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Barbara Hylton of the Bingen/White Salmon Civil Service Commission said the city needs to have better communications when passing ordinances or making decisions related to the Police Department. Hylton said in the past the Commission has gotten information through the news paper. She requested all correspondence be made through the mail if not urgent, and by telephone if

it is urgent. C. Keene said the communication needs to go both ways. When the commission makes decisions they need to inform the Cities in a timely manner.

Business License Draft – Attorney Phillips drafted a Ordinance amending the Business License municipal code. C. Roberts said he would not like to charge based on the number of its employees a business a fee. C. Gookin asked who would enforce the Penalty. C. Roberts made a *motion* to table the Ordinance until November 7, 2007 so staff and council could review the Ordinance, C. Gookin *seconded* the motion, *Approved 4-1, Opposed C. Marx.*

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 October 17, 2007. C. Gookin made a *motion* to approve Claim Checks 36212-36250 in the amount of \$26,661.14; Payroll Checks 20282-20296 in the amount of \$10,225.00; *seconded* by C. Roberts, *Approved 4-1. Opposed C. Marx.*

IX. PUBLIC AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Donna Marx, 260 NW Lincoln asked if Shon & Lori Webb of NW Spring Street annexed into the City, would Cochran Estates Annex into the City. C. Keene said they could. Mayor Gaddis said Cochran Estates has water and sewer and is within the City's Fire District.

Don Tackley, 205 SW Riverwatch asked if the Police Department could publish the Police Log in the newspaper. Police Chief Brending said the Mayor and Council receive a monthly report and he is working with Jesse Burkhardt to publish information in the newspaper.

Tackley said the problem with a Bus parking on Jewett downtown is taking up space for several hours.

Betty Barnes, Bingen commended Mike Clark for all the work he did on the Civil Service Commission. Barnes stated she appreciated Mayor Gaddis admitting he made a mistake in selecting the Civil Service Commission Chair when it is the Civil Service Commission who appoints the Chair Person.

C. Mayo said the round table meetings have been well attended and informational.

C. Keene said she would like Departments to submit their project proposals for the EDA Community Development Projects for the November 7, 2007 Council Meeting.

C. Marx would like a copy of the Roundtable Minutes. Deputy Clerk Treasurer Judi Culp said she would supply a copy when they are received.

Deputy PWD Tom Smith said the Francis & Mamie Gaddis Park kiosk is 75% complete.

Clerk Treasurer Eric Greene said Auditors are still at City Hall, they should be complete the end of the week.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

No Executive Session. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm.

Francis Gaddis
Mayor

Judi Culp
Deputy Clerk Treasurer