

City of Chiloquin  
City Council Meeting  
12/15/2014

Those Present:        Others:

Teresa Foreman: Recorder  
Charles Case: Public Works  
Sam Ramirez: City Attorney

Mayor: Joe Hobbs

Council members:

Raymond Kirk: leave of absence  
Jill Prewitt absent  
Kathy Erion: absent  
Carolyn Blackmon  
Julie Trevino  
Jeff Mitchell

Mayor Joe Hobbs read the opening statement:

It is the 15th day of December 2014. As presiding officer, I hereby call this regular meeting of the Chiloquin City Council to order. Please note that this meeting is being recorded. Following the confirmation and approval of the agenda the council will consider business coming before it. Public input shall be limited to matters pertaining to the business of the City, and to the transactions of City business. In the event you have matters of personal business, or issues involving personality or performance they should be submitted in writing to the City Hall office to be forwarded to the City Council for further review.

Under no circumstance is public input or comment permitted during the period of council deliberation.

During the period of public input, public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person, no more than ten (10) minutes per topic. Maximum time for all public input shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes total.

As presiding officer I reserve the right to limit all input and to rule out of order persons, whom by testimony are deemed to be abusive, disruptive or obscene.

In addition I shall not accept testimony of a discrediting nature.

The Mayor, Joe Hobbs, called the roll. Present: Carolyn Blackmon, Jeff Mitchell and Julie Trevino.

We do have a quorum; this meeting is now in order.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**Motion to accept the agenda of 12/15/2014 was made by council member Blackmon, seconded by council member Trevino. Ayes: Blackmon, Mitchell and Trevino.**

**Motion passed.**

**Motion to accept the minutes of 11/25/2014 of the Regular council meeting and to dispense with the reading there of, was made by council member Blackmon, seconded by council member Mitchell. Ayes: Blackmon, Mitchell and Trevino.**

**Motion passed.**

**City Bills:**

**Motion to approve as paid and as approved by Mayor Hobbs, the bills of 12/08/2014 in the amount of \$6827.75 was made by council member Blackmon, seconded by council member Trevino. Ayes: Blackmon, Mitchell and Trevino.**

**Motion passed**

Bills for 12/15 Discussion. About payment for Adkins Engineering. The recorder is asking for approval of the entire bill, however she has not yet requested the new amount.

**Motion to pay the bills for 12/15/2014 in the amount of \$41,163.19 was made by council member Blackmon, seconded by council member Trevino.**

Discussion: Mitchell asked when the contracts were put out to bid for engineer services. Annually? The recorder answered that it is not annually. There is no term, it is at the council discretion.

**The Mayor reiterated the motion and asked for the vote. Ayes: Blackmon, Mitchell and Trevino.**

**Motion passed.**

Council member Mitchell feels the City needs to put the engineering services out to bid.

**Motion to put out to bid for contracting Engineering services was made by council member Mitchell, seconded by council member Trevino.**

Council member Blackmon stated that with all the ongoing projects, she feels that we should not do that at this time. Mitchell replied that for the current projects the City has contract obligations. He is suggesting that for future considerations. He realizes that Adkins has been with the City for a long time but he wants to pursue getting the best service for the best price. It may be Adkins is the best service for the best price.

At the earliest convenience, Mitchell would like to see it put out for bid.

Discussion about doing the same for attorney services. The Mayor stated he wanted to wait for the new council coming in to be involved with these decisions.

**Ayes: Mitchell and Trevino. Nays: Blackmon.**

**Motion passed.**

**City Correspondence:** Council looked over the correspondence.

Contract for the Special Cities Allotment that the City was awarded.

**Motion to direct the Mayor to sign the Special Cities Allotment contract was made by council member Trevino, seconded by council member Mitchell. Ayes: Mitchell, Trevino and Blackmon.**

**Motion passed.**

Annie Bennett of the Klamath Tribes: Ms. Bennett is asking for the City to collaborate with the Klamath Tribes on an Education Outreach Workshop.

CVIP. They are asking for the City to have a representative at their meetings. Discussion. Mayor Hobbs agreed to be the representative.

The Mayor explained that he would be having an operation on his knee in the near future and would be recuperating for a while after.

Correspondence about the youth reading project headed up by Kathleen Mitchell. They would like a council member to be involved. Council member Blackmon stated she would look into if it is something she would be able to do.

**Public Works Report:** Public Works employee reported to the council about the ongoing projects and the up coming projects. The council was given a written report. Pete explained that if they have any questions he would be glad to explain.

The Mayor asked about the lift station at the Rodeo grounds. Pete answered that the design was 60% complete.

The Airport Well project is going forward. The State Aeronautics department is working on a lease that they would like the City to manage the well. It is a liability at this time and they need a certified operator to be in control and to keep up with maintenance on that well.

Discussion.

Discussion about placing a few trees in the park.

Discussion about a storm drain near the post office. We may need to pursue a utility easement on the south end of the pavement, in the field area, going east and west.

Several hydrants need repair/replaced or moved. Old city water reservoir needs to be demolished.

**Motion to accept the public works report was made by councilmember Blackmon, seconded by council member Trevino. Ayes: Mitchell, Trevino and Blackmon.**

**Motion passed.**

**Recorder Report:** Council approval for writing policy of procedures such as chain of command.

Discussion. Council member Mitchell suggested that the recorder write up proposed policy as the issues occur. Then bring them before council at that time for discussion.

The house the council was offered. The recorder asked if she could just pursue that. The Mayor has left several messages and told the bank to call Teresa and discuss this.

Council directed the recorder to do what needed to be done.

Council member Blackmon brought up for discussion the Christmas Bazaar. There was some confusion as to the food selling. She would like to know how to take care of this in the future.

Discussion.

Discussion about the outgoing council members. Gift ideas ie: goodies basket, clock, gift certificate etc.

Council would like the recorder to get something. Her choice.

Council member Mitchell wanted to discuss the economic issues of our area. He would like to know what impact agriculture issues has on our community. Also what impact the Tribe has on the City. The economic impact. What would happen to the City if those entities went away.

Discussion.

**Motion to accept the recorder report was made by councilmember Blackmon, seconded by council member Trevino. Ayes: Mitchell, Trevino and Blackmon.**

**Motion passed.**

**Old Business: none**

**New Business: None**

**Public Input:**

Dennis Jefcoat: County Resident. Dennis agrees that the whole area is impacted by what goes on in the County/City. Dennis is concerned about the lawsuit of the Rodeo association. Mr. Jefcoat is concerned about the financial impact. He feels that the City will have to pay \$100-\$250 thousand if the City loses. He wants the council to get another legal opinion.

Richard Twamley: Mr. Twamley passed out a letter to the council and asked to read it. The Mayor asked what it pertained to. Mr. Twamley stated it pertained to his past two letters. The Mayor explained that the council had already discussed that prior.

Mr. Twamley asked if the Mayor was denying him to read, aloud, the letter. The Mayor replied that he was denying that.

Mr. Twamley argued that the Mayor did not have the authority to stop him from reading his letter. The Mayor stated that he did and reiterated that he would not allow him to read the letter.

Mr. Twamley continued to argue and the Mayor called Mr. Twamley out of order.

7:45 Mayor adjourned the meeting.

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Joe Hobbs, Mayor

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Attest: Teresa Foreman, City Recorder

Signed 01/27/2015