

Discussion.

Mr. Whitton is upset and is asking the Council to pay damages anyway. The council directed Mr. Whitton back to the insurance company. If he would like to dispute their findings, he needs to get legal advice and to contact them. The City Council will take the insurance companys recommendations.

Mr. Whitton is here also, tonight, to ask about putting a small business at his home. The council directed him to come in to the City office and fill out an application for a CUP for home occupation.

Mr. Mike Lawrence: Mr. Lawrence is the New District Forest Ranger. He moved here Memorial Day 2008. He is here tonight to introduce himself and visit with council about any of their concerns.

The Mayor asked him about the water well and tank the City and forest service were discussing being placed on the forest service land. The new tank would be where the old one is now.

Discussion.

Mike stated that he has heard nothing to the contrary. He feels that is still open for developing.

Mike is also interested in getting their employees involved in the community in various ways.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of 1/12/2009 was made by council member Hescock, seconded by council member Graham. Ayes: Hescock, Graham, Kirk and Hamilton.

Motion Passed.

Motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 1/12/2009 as presented was made by council member Hescock, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Kirk, Graham, Hamilton and Hescock.

Motion Passed.

City Bills:

Motion to pay the City bills in the amount of \$1934.38 was made by council member Hescock, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Hamilton, Kirkl, Graham, and Hescock.

Motion passed.

City Correspondence: Council looked over the correspondence.

There is a copy of a letter from the attorney to the Rodeo association. It was sent today. The Mayor was disappointed that the letter did not specify that the corrections needed to be done prior to the next rodeo. However, it does say to let the council know what their plan of action is and at that time we can make it clear that it needs to be addressed prior to the next rodeo.

Motion to accept the Correspondence was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hamilton. Ayes: Kirk, Hescock, Hamilton and Graham.

Motion passed.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor is recommending to council to appoint Sandra Hamilton as the temporary office liaison while Jill is gone.

Motion to appoint Sandra Hamilton, temporarily, to the office liaison position was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Kirk, Hescock, Hamilton and Graham.

Motion Passed.

Grants: There are a few opportunities the Mayor would like to discuss. He spoke with Gary van Huffel at a meeting at the community center. He spoke on the Oregon Main Street Program. If we sign up with a letter of intent to do this they will send a consultant to help us design a possible main street front and then walk us through the project and help us find funding.

Tomorrow evening he will be speaking to the community members. He has asked if the council members could attend that meeting. He would like to go over with them what this all entails. The Mayor feels this a good program. The meeting is at 6PM.

Discussion.

There is a grant application that was brought to the Mayor by CVIP. It is an ODOT grant. A transportation and growth management grant. CVIP stated their willingness to apply for this grant if the City wants to pursue this. The Mayor feels this will go along with the stimulus project.

He turned that over to the Engineer to look over.

Hescock brought up that there is a grant writing class in Bend that he would like to see the Mayor go to. (It is actually in Portland)

There is a grant workshop in Portland at the end of Feb. The Mayor would like to attend. It costs \$595.00.

Discussion.

The engineer reported to the council that the ODOT grant appears to be replacing the Special Cities Allotment program that the City can apply for and receive every other year. This was a \$25,000.00 grant.

This new program shows that it requires 11 percent or more match. However, if the City applying is defined as 'distressed', there can be a match waiver. Chiloquin has been defined as distressed because we were a timber dependent community.

Discussion.

Another grant the mayor found is for parks and recreation. It does three things. Acquires land for public outdoor recreation areas including additions to existing parks. Developing basic outdoor recreation facilities and rehabilitation of existing outdoor facilities.

Discussion. Grant application deadline is April 3. There will be three workshops given for the State parks recreation grant. These should be free.

The Mayor requested that the Council allow him to go to the grant writing workshop in Portland. It costs \$595.00

Discussion.

Motion to send the Mayors to the workshop in Portland was made by council member Hescock, seconded by council member Hamilton. Ayes: Kirk, Hescock, Hamilton and Graham.

Motion Passed.

There is a company in New Mexico called PM signs inc. They produce a composite material from recycled plastic and forest biomass. They contacted Mark because of his Juniper business. Right now they have contracts with the State of California to replace their signs and a contract with the railroad to replace 1.2 million ties. They are looking to put in a new facility in the State of Oregon because of the forest products that we have here.

Larry Holzgang, Oregon Economic Development, has put together, with the County, an incentive package to lure that company to our County. They have identified several sites. One in Malin, one in Klamath Falls and then the mill site here in Chiloquin. The Mayor is going down to New Mexico on his own business and will present the package at that time.

Discussion.

The new business should provide about 65 jobs.

At the last sheriff's advisory meeting last week, one of the things they came up with was a feasibility study for a juvenile retention facility. They would like City council input.

Motion to accept the Mayors report was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescoock. Ayes: Kirk, Hescoock, Hamilton and Graham.

Motion Passed.

Finance report: The recorder stated that she had printed out a finance report for each of the council members. Her main concern is that they are in the red, as far as the net income, is in the hole. These numbers do not represent what includes the years beginning balance. How ever, we are supposed to spend within our income and we are not doing this in the sewer fund. So far we have spent \$5000. more than we have taken in.

Discussion.

Discussion about the reading of the commercial meters. This will be the first billing of the metered water.

Discussion about the fuel pumps at the Shell station. The Mayor reported that the fire marshal closed down two of the pumps because they were leaking. Apparently the gaskets were leaking. The premium pump will be pumping regular fuel.

Discussion.

The public works employees are still working on finding the meter at the shell. They have determined where the line is. This has all been paved over by the business. The owner is responsible for digging up the line/meter and placing a new meter if they can't find the old one. They also have to replace the sidewalk.

More discussion.

The recorder was directed to send a letter to the Shell station, cc Rogue valley oil, about the meter, the lines the sidewalk and the fuel pump leak.

Discussion about charging sewer rates with the water consumption in mind. All the water used in the commercial buildings goes to the treatment plant for treatment. If a business uses 225,000 gallons, the treatment plant treats that same 225,000 gallons.

Motion to accept the financial report was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member . Ayes: Kirk, Hescoock, Hamilton and Graham.

Motion passed.

Public works report: The engineer presented a list of potential stimulus package projects. (see attached). Also, the engineer was to come up with a cost estimate for each of these projects. The engineer is asking the council to prioritize these projects and then authorize the cost estimate to be figured for the first three or so.

Discussion.

Council member Hescock reported to the council that the new tribal court office is using the lot next to the building as a parking lot. They are using the sidewalk handicapped ramp as an entrance/exit to that parking lot. They were told they had to bring a site plan application to the city to place a parking lot there. Their engineer even went in to the City engineer and discussed this. Then they just graveled the area and started using it. The engineer pointed out that not only is the entrance / exit unauthorized but the lot itself has had its use changed. The change of use of a lot has to have approval by this City.

Hescock asked the City about having a steak barbeque and dance in the park for the fourth of July this year. He is hoping to get a High school group to step up and use this as a fund raising activity.

Discussion.

The council agrees with this and Hescock will bring more info back to them.

More discussion about the stimulus package projects.

Council decided we should have a workshop on the stimulus package projects.

Workshop scheduled Thursday Feb 5, 6:00. Doug will be here also.

Motion to accept the Public Works report was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Kirk . Ayes: Kirk, Hescock, Hamilton and Graham.

Motion passed.

Engineer report was included in the public works report.

Old Business: The Tony Reyes house across from the big gym is being lived in again. The City had that boarded up and cleaned out once. Janice Hoaglen is Tony's Sister and Hescock will talk to her.

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Motion to direct the mayor to sign the resolution amending the personnel policy

changing comp time to overtime was made by council member Mitchell. Seconded by council member Hescoock. Ayes: Mitchell, Hescoock, Graham and Hamilton.

Motion passed.

Resolution number will be 776.

New Business

Motion to accept old business was made by council member Hescoock, seconded by council member Graham. Ayes: Graham, Hamilton, Mitchell and Hescoock,

Motion passed.

New Business:

Water hook up to camp trailer: There is a request for hooking up a camp trailer to water for a short period of time, while the owner remodels his house. There won't be anyone living there, just a place during the day time. The owner knows that he would have to have a backflow device on his spigot.

Discussion.

Motion to allow the connection for up to six months was made by council member Hescoock, seconded by council member Graham. Ayes: Hescoock, Graham, Mitchell and Hamilton.

Motion passed.

Concession trailer: There is a request from a resident (Catherine Blanton) that she be allowed to park a concession trailer on the City parking lot during daytime hours to provide drinks and lunches and snacks. She would be self contained.

Discussion: Catherine is here and explained to the council her tentative plans.

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Council is supportive of her endeavor but is concerned about being on City property. Also, the City is going to be doing some construction of the parking lot and she wouldn't be able to be there then.

Discussion about other places she might park.

Council would like Catherine to look into other places and if she can't find some place then come back to the council. They are also concerned about liability. The Mayor stated that if the council allowed her to be on the parking lot, the City would likely have to be listed on

her liability insurance. All the council is supportive of her business in the City.

Motion to adjourn was made by council member Mitchell, seconded by council member Graham. Ayes: Mitchell, Hescock, Hamilton and Graham.

Motion passed.

8:00 Meeting adjourned

Signed

Mark Cobb, Mayor

Attest: Teresa Foreman, City Recorder

***(after the meeting the recorder looked up the requirement for raising the rate and found that the City did have to have a public hearing. The required posting time limits cause the public hearing to have to be on April 22nd at 6PM)**

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