

City of Chiloquin
City Council Meeting
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Those Present:

Others:

Teresa Foreman: Recorder
Mike Jenkins: Public Works

Mayor: Mark Cobb

Council members: Floyd Hescock
Kathy Erion
Kay Graham
Jill Prewitt: 6:32 (arrived, but not on roll call) 7:16: left the meeting
Carolyn Blackmon
Raymond Kirk

Mayor Cobb read the opening statement.

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

The Mayor called the roll. Present: Kay Graham, Raymond Kirk, Kathy Erion, Carolyn Blackmon and Floyd Hescock.

Also City Recorder Teresa Foreman.

Motion to accept the agenda as presented was made by council member Hescock, seconded by council member Graham. Ayes: Hescock, Erion, Blackmon, Kirk and Graham. Abstained: Prewitt, no reason given.

Motion passed.

Public Input:

Dick Trevino, Chiloquin resident: Mr. Trevino is here tonight because he is concerned with a problem he has with the City council. They have good ideas but nothing gets done. He stated that this is not personal. They can not do everything. He feels the City council needs to have volunteer help. Mr. Trevino pointed out several problems he feels need addressing. Mr. Trevino is concerned about one house in particular. He explained that there is a junk yard on Baker St. Also there is no water there and he is concerned about where they are going to the bathroom. That becomes a health problem. He is concerned about the several burned out houses in town.

The Mayor explained to Mr. Trevino, and the audience, that the council has been looking into solutions. There are a lot more issues to the clean up than meets the eye.

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There are regulations, Private property rights and the ever present financial concerns.

As to the specific house on Baker, the mayor explained the situation up to this point. He has spoken with City legal counsel.

More discussion.

Frank and Eva Montoya, were also in the audience and expressed their concern that the house on Baker was ever allowed to hook up. There were several Baker Street residents in attendance.

Quite a bit of discussion.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of 1/10/2011 was made by council member Graham seconded by council member Hescoek. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Hescoek, Prewitt and Blackmon.

Motion Passed.

Motion to accept of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of 01/10/2011 was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescoek. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Hescoek, Prewitt and Blackmon.

Motion Passed.

City Bills: Council looked over the bills.

Motion to pay the City bills in the amount of \$1325.35 was made by council Member Graham, seconded by council member Hescoek. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Hescoek, Prewitt and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

City Correspondence: Council looked over the correspondence.

Rodeo Association: Letter in response to the City's letter. Oregon Fish and Game: Requesting input from the City about the dam removal. Any projects impacted by the removal. The request has been turned over to the City engineer Doug Adkins. Mr. Adkins reported to the City that the letter was not very clear; however he had made a list of possible projects. The mayor passed that list around the table for the council to look over. The Mayor stated that the City would just send a letter to the fish and game with that list.

There is a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins about the traffic and speed of that traffic that is on 422 N. which goes in front of their house. Their property is outside the City limits. The State sets the speed zone inside the City limits as well as outside the City limits.

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Motion to send ODOT a letter requesting lowering the speed zone in that area, along with a copy of this letter was made by council member Erion, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Erion, Kirk, Hescock and Prewitt. Council member Blackmon was out of the room.

Motion passed.

Motion to accept the City correspondence was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Prewitt, Hescock and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor would like to appoint council member Kathy Erion to be the liaison to the Sheriffs advisory board. The City recorder has been going to these meetings, temporarily, to fill in. The Mayor asked that she report back to the council at the council meeting following the sheriff's advisory meeting.

Motion to appoint council member Kathy Erion to the liaison position on the Sheriff advisory committee was made by council member Graham, Seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Erion, Kirk, Hescock, Blackmon and Prewitt.

Motion passed.

There is a new communication tower next to the railroad, on railroad property. The Mayor visited the site and asked if they had applied/received a permit for that structure. They explained that they had requested to get a permit from the County. The county required a large amount of paper work so they decided to claim their ICC exemption. The exemption is from the federal government that exempts them from the requirement of getting local permits.

The Mayor asked for a copy of that also. The recorder has emailed for that information but has not received anything back at this point.

7:18 Council member Jill Prewitt asked to be excused from the meeting.

More discussion about the tower.

Abandoned buildings: There is an abandoned house on Pine St. that is now being occupied. There is no power, water or sewer. Windows are broken out and this house should not be lived in.

Discussion.

Council discussed the house on Third St. that we have had problems with for a long time. The Council has looked into this in many different ways. There has not yet been a solution that is feasible for the City.

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More discussion.

This will be on the next agenda.

Motion to accept the Mayors report was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Hescock and, Blackmon.

Motion passed.

City Engineer: Congratulated the new members. The sewage treatment plant project will be bid out March/April. We can be doing construction during the summer months.

The council had asked the engineer to look into the alternatives for the water line crossing the river. It is currently on the bridge and the bridge is being replaced by ODOT.

ODOT will be having reps at the Feb.22nd meeting. They will entertain putting a temp line on their temp bridge and then placing it back on the permanent bridge. We can bore under the river. There is a cost issue there. We can relocate the line and hang it from the suspension bridge that holds the sewer line. There are some major issues and considerations that would have to be addressed if the council wanted to pursue that.

Prior to the bridge construction there will have to be asbestos removal from the water line. It must be done by the City.

The removal of the line, the temporary placement to the temporary bridge and the placement on the permanent bridge can be incorporated with the ODOT construction project. The City would have to pay for that part of the project but we would not have to put it out to bid separately. The City will have to design the project and provide that to the state so they can incorporate that into the bid. Construction is anticipated spring of 2012. Probably a two year project.

Discussion.

The Engineer will bring back some numbers for the council.

Motion to accept the Engineer report was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Blackmon and Hescock.

Motion passed.

Attorney report: The attorney is not here tonight.

Public works report: Hook up for the new tribal house is done. There is a house on Baker that we have discovered that the City does not have a record of any final inspection or occupancy permit.

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The City office has requested this information and the documents. To this time, we have not received anything; therefore we can not furnish water service. Public works employees have checked the waterline in the ally and the meter appears to have been tampered with.

Discussion.

Public works was called out to Tom Prewitts' house. They were having water under the house. Mr. Prewitt was concerned that there was a leak in the City water line. Public works employees dug up the line in several places and have found the line in tact, no leaks.

Public works were over there for aprox. 2 hours.

Discussion.

We have all the pipe and the fire hydrant for Baker St. We are just waiting for better weather.

There was a consensus prior to the meeting that the blowers at the sewer plant needed to be aligned and therefore an appt. has been set up with a company to do that on Thursday. The council needs to make that official at this meeting.

Motion to allow the company to align the blowers at the sewer plant on Thursday was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Hescock and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

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

Motion passed.

City finance report: The recorder had given the council a print out of the finances. The recorder explained the report.

Council had no questions.

The recorder reminded the council that she was going to be gone on vacation. She will not miss any meetings.

Council member Erion asked about the duplex. She thought the City was not allowed to make money, be a landlord. The recorder explained that the City received that building from the county with the stipulation that the renters get to stay there until they want to move.

One tenant moved out right a way but the other is still there. When she is gone. we will not rent it out again. Erion asked about the Timber receipts.

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The recorder explained where they came from and how they must be spent.

Assistant Recorder, Paulette Seybold has been out of the office and will be out for the rest of this week because her mother passed away.

Motion to accept the finance report was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Hescoock. Ayes: Graham, Erion, Kirk, Hescoock and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

Old Business:

Cameras: Pat Lanctot gave the council an update on the cameras. There have been new serious problems but he is working on them. He gave each of the council members a proposed camera placement report. He submitted an invoice.

Pat went into detail about the cameras, the installation and the placement. He explained the problem of the wrong parts to begin with. He has worked with what we had but he does need some different parts to make it work.

We had two wireless units that didn't work. They are out of warranty. He has sent them off to the company, he is estimating the cost of those but he does not know for sure of the expense there.

Council went over the itemized expense sheet.

Motion to cover the \$1989.73 so the camera installation may be completed was made by council member Erion, seconded by council member Hescoock.

Discussion.

With the consent of the second, Erion withdrew her motion.

Motion to allocate \$2100.00 more towards the camera project was made by council member Erion, seconded by council member Blackmon. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Hescoock and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

The Mayor suggested that the city have a agreement with the sheriffs department. Council member Erion will look into that. She will ask them if they have an existing agreement or maybe they can find one in a different town that we can get information from. Pat has been in contact with the sheriff's office and they are supportive. They will have access at the office and in their cars. They can see all the cameras and they can look at which ever camera they want one or all at the same time. They can do this in their car.

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The mayor pointed out to the council that the motion for the money for the cameras does not include the setting of the poles. There will need to be some equipment rented to do that.

Everyone thanked Pat for all his hard work and diligence.

Motion to accept the Old business was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Blackmon. Ayes: Graham, Erion, Hescock and Blackmon. Council member Kirk was out of the office.

Motion passed.

Public works employee Mike Jenkins asked about renting the equipment. He asked for the council give an amount they can use so they do not have to come back to another meeting and waste that time.

Motion to allow the public works up to \$500.00 to rent equipment for pole placement and camera placement on the poles when weather allows was made by council member Graham, seconded by council member Kirk. Ayes: Graham, Erion, Kirk, Hescock and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

New Business: Council member Graham asked that we put on the agenda next time to discuss council members time in attendance at the meetings.

Motion to adjourn was made by council member Hescock, seconded by council member Hescock. Ayes: Graham, Kirk, Erion, Hescock and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

8:35 Meeting adjourned

Signed 02/14/2011

Mayor Mark Cobb

Attest: Teresa Foreman, City Recorder

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