City of Chiloquin
City Council Meeting
3/12/2012

Those Present: Others:

Teresa Foreman: Recorder City attorney: Sam Ramirez

Mayor: Mark Cobb

Council members: Floyd Hescock: absent

Carolyn Blackmon

Raymond Kirk: left at 8:07

Kathy Erion
Jeff Mitchell: 6:35

Joe Hobbs

6:30 Mayor Cobb read the opening statement and called the meeting to order.

The Mayor called the roll. Present: Joe Hobbs, Raymond Kirk, Kathy Erion, and Carolyn Blackmon. Also the City attorney Sam Ramirez and City Recorder Teresa Foreman.

Motion to accept the agenda 3/12/2012 was made by council member Blackmon seconded by council member Hescock Ayes: Hobbs, Blackmon, Erion and Kirk.

Motion passed.

Jeff Mitchell arrived at 6:35

Police Task Force Findings: See attached document.

Members of the Task Force in attendance: Allen Foreman, Louise Groomer, Daniel Munoz, Patricia Harty and Curtis Hoopes.

The Mayor explained that about three months ago the council had him put together a Task Force for the purpose of looking into policing safety issues within the community and put together recommendations for the council.

The Mayor pointed out the qualifications of these members in attendance. The Mayor read through the recommendations: This document is attached.

The Mayor pointed out that these findings are simply findings. They do not go into a lot of detail. That would be up to the council if they so choose to pursue any of these recommendations.

Much discussion between the council and the task force members attending. Some discussion with the public in attendance.

The council thanked the Task Force their time and effort in working towards information and recommendations. The council assured the members that they do not intend to let this be out off to the side. The Mayor asked the council to look over these findings and to come back to the next meeting with some thought and input about the next steps to take.

This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Regular Business

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 2/13/2012 was made by council member Blackmon, seconded by council member Erion. Ayes: Erion, Blackmon, Mitchell and Hobbs. (Council member Kirk had left the meeting at 8:07)

Motion passed.

Motion to accept of the minutes of 2/13/2012 was made by council member Mitchell, seconded by council member Hobbs. Ayes: Erion, Blackmon, Mitchell and Hobbs.

Motion passed.

City Bills:

Motion to pay the City bills as of Mar. 12, 2012, in the amount of \$13,397.27 was made by council Member Blackmon, seconded by council member Hobbs. Ayes: Erion, Blackmon, Mitchell and Hobbs.

Motion passed

City Correspondence: Council looked over the correspondence. There will be some chip sealing on Modoc point rd.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor reported that he had been looking into surveillance cameras for the chambers and the office. He has not found anything in Klamath Falls, but he is going to Bend and will look there.

Motion to accept the Mayors report was made by council member Mitchell, seconded by council member Erion. Aves: Erion, Mitchell, Hobbs and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

Public works report: There are two written reports in the packet; one is from Pete and one is from Charles. Public works employee Pete Pate is in attendance tonight to discuss the tree removal. Pete has met with Mr. Mozingo, who was here earlier but he had other obligations and the meeting took longer than expected. He has signed the contract on his part; the City just needs to sign it to go forward.

City Attorney, Sam Ramirez has looked over the contract and there are a few changes that he wants made. He will take this back to his office and make the changes.

Discussion. The bid price was lowered to \$21,000.00 because the City lowered the amount of trees to be removed.

Council member Erion asked about trees on private property. Pete answered that the trees we have decided upon are all on public land.

Council member Blackmon asked now that we have reduced the number of trees, and reduced that amount of money, do we need to put this to the other company that gave us an original bid? Pete answered that he had been in contact with them and they were not willing to budge on their original bid of \$57,000.

The attorney agreed that it was the correct way to do this.

Motion to approve the contract with the recommended changes was made by council member Mitchell, seconded by council member Blackmon. Ayes: Mitchell, Blackmon, Erion and Hobbs.

Motion passed

Council member Erion asked about the ditch that was worked on, on Lalo St. There seems to be a drainage problem yet. Pete answered that he was not happy with the ditch either. He is intending to work on shaping the ditch this spring. He is keeping watch on that and just will keep opening it up for now.

Council member Blackmon asked if Public Works had looked at the water runoff that is coming under her garage. It is a regular creek at this time. Pete answered that he had been up there today. He will look again tomorrow to see if there is anything he can do.

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

Motion passed.

Old Business:

Williamson River Bridge project. There is a draft contract from ODOT. This is a loan contract in the amount of \$163,000.00 at 1% interest for the moving and replacing the waterline on the bridge. This is not the finalized agreement. This is just a draft that need to be signed so they can go ahead and draft up the final document for review.

The payment terms would be \$11,756.00 per year for 15 years. The Mayor read the proposed provisions of the contract to the council.

Motion to allow the Mayor to sign the document was made by council member Hobbs seconded by council member Blackmon. Ayes: Erion, Hobbs, Mitchell and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

Intergovernmental agreement. We received this from the State of Oregon in regards to construction access. The Mayor had turned this over to the attorney for his review. This is about the scope of work. There were a few questions that have been answered.

Motion to allow the Mayor to sign the agreement was made by council member Erion seconded by council member Hobbs. Ayes: Erion, Hobbs, Mitchell and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

Add work agreement. This is a newly added document the Mayor wants the attorney to look over. However, he feels the council can not be making any decision about any work until they are sure the City will be getting the loan. This document obligates the City to pay the \$163,000.00.

The document was turned over to the attorney for review.

Abandoned buildings and cars: Council member Mitchell reported that the owner got assistance from the Tribe. She received emergency housing. The Mayor stated that there is still someone up there so a letter needs to go to PP&L about the house. The water also needs to be disconnected.

Council member Erion stated that she doesn't know what do next. People have actually come to her house to ask about taking cars. She has referred them to the City Hall office. The reporter explained that no one has come by here. She also asked if Erion wanted to come by the office on Thursday she would be happy to go over the information she has gathered and the laws and statutes governing the removal of vehicles from private property. Erion agreed to come by the office. Erion also stated she has pictures on a camera card of buildings and cars. She will bring that on Thursday and the recorder can print those out.

The Mayor stated he wanted to go back to the residence that was just vacated and needs to be demolished. He would like to find the outfit that took the house out by the bridge.

He would like to contact them and get some numbers for removal. The City does not have control of that house at this time.

Discussion.

Motion to accept the old business was made by council member Erion, seconded by council member Blackmon. Ayes: Erion, Hobbs, Mitchell and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

New Business:

Resolution to change the agenda: Council member Blackmon read the resolution:

A Resolution amending resolution B-639, Section 3: Paragraph D. Order at meetings. And repealing Resolutions: # B643, B672 and B679 (amending resolutions)

WHEREAS, the City of Chiloquin council members have determined that Resolution # 639 should be amended to move the public input to the end of the meeting, to combine the recorder and finance report and to eliminate certain reports for which there is no longer a committee;

See attached for entire document.

Motion to approve Resolution # 800 as read by Carolyn made by council member Erion seconded by council member Hobbs

Discussion: Council member Mitchell stated that it is his understanding that by accepting this resolution we are going to be asking the citizens to wait until the end of the meeting to state public input, why? Council member Blackmon answered that due to meetings getting so volatile it took so long to get City business done. Erion spoke up to say that at times it was up to an hour before getting to the regular City business. The Mayor added that he tries to respect the citizens and allow them to speak out of turn and longer than 3 minutes but that the public did not reciprocate and he and the council are disrespected. By putting that at the end of the meeting it allows the public to see what business has been conducted and to have some input on what has been done. Whereas prior, through out the whole meeting, the council was being interrupted. This council has been elected by the citizens to conduct these meetings and to conduct City business the folks in the audience are not part of this council. The purpose is to make the meeting more streamline and more comfortable. When it is hostile from the very beginning this councils thoughts get distracted. He is trying to change that.

Ayes: Erion, Hobbs and Blackmon. Nays: Mitchell

Motion passed.

1st reading Ordinance of proposed Franchise agreement and right of way. :

The Mayor read the Ordinance by Title.

Motion to accept the New business was made by council member Blackmon, seconded by council member Hobbs. Ayes: Erion, Hobbs, Mitchell and Blackmon.

Motion passed.

Public Input:

Sam; Resident on Charley St.: Her question is about dangerous and eyesore buildings. Why is it the City's responsibility to clean these up without leining the property. The Mayor explained that the City does have the authority to do just that. The problem is that cleaning up or demolishing a building could cost \$30-\$40 thousand dollars and then the City ends up with a vacant lot that is worth maybe \$5 thousand dollars. That is the dilemma. There has been discussion about getting control of the buildings and then sell them for just the clean up of them.

Discussion.

Council member Erion will review her thoughts and then write up the proposal.

Emily Jackson: Emily stated that in the City's code book title 15 dangerous and abandoned buildings has it all laid out as to how to deal with those buildings. The council has the "teeth" to pursue these buildings. The Mayor stated that was true, it comes down to finances every time. Emily stated the City could give the buildings to the County to sell.

Discussion.

Wade Johnson, City resident. Wade stated that Pete had asked for his help in putting up the flag poles. He is asking the City for liability insurance. The recorder explained that all volunteers are covered by City insurance. We will have a paper to sign when that time comes.

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

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Mayor Mark Cobb	
Attest: Teresa Foreman, City Recorder	

9:14 Meeting adjourned

