

## **LEAVENWORTH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

### **May 8, 2007**

Mayor Mel Wyles called the regularly scheduled Leavenworth City Council meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Council Present: Rob Eaton, Peter DeVries, Tibor Lak, Larry Langston, Cathy Miller, Chris Rader, and Michael Molohon.

Staff Present: Rich Brinkman, Terry McCauley, Al Kulp, Connie Krueger, Ron Hupp and Carrie Brewer.

### **AGENDA**

Mayor Wyles asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval of Agenda
2. April 24, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes
3. Claims Vouchers \$109,179.37
4. April 2007 Payroll \$130,096.06

Councilmember Eaton moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lak and passed unanimously. Councilmember DeVries moved to add Item #4 proclamation for the Time Capsule burial and Item #5 the Hospital Construction Interlocal agreement with the City to the agenda. Councilmember Rader seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

Councilmember Miller met with the Art in the Park board and everything is in order for opening. There is an issue of someone leaving a vehicle and she will address that issue with the board and get it resolved.

Councilmember DeVries met with the Finance Committee this afternoon and they looked at the Hotel/Motel tax as well at the Retail Sales Tax, sales tax is up a little bit and hotel/motel tax is down a little bit, but nothing significant.

Councilmember Eaton reported the Parks Committee had met and dealt with the Farmers Market issue, the committee also met with a local bike group regarding developing and expanding trails throughout the city and the group will be developing a proposal to present to the committee. He had also met the Dept. of Transportation on site regarding the Train Station and will begin working on the environmental paperwork.

## **MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Mayor Wyles addressed the possibility of changing the time in which the City Council meetings are held and moving the Comments from the public on items not on the agenda section to where the Public Safety section is currently, the Council discussed this in the study session and unanimous consensus is to keep both items as is. The City Council meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. and the Comments from the public on items not the agenda will stay at the current location on the agenda.

Administrator Brinkman welcomed Dori Blackburn, the new Associate Planner II to the staff.

Director Kulp reported the City Crew is working with a crew from Chelan County regarding the water leaks on E. Leavenworth Rd. The Pool Fence construction project is in progress. FEMA has awarded the City of Leavenworth \$118,000.00 to help repair the flood damage in River Front Park, that number could increase at a later date.

Director Krueger again welcomed Dori Blackburn to the staff, explaining her qualifications and experience and expressed that Dori will be a great asset. Director Krueger also updated Council on her meetings with Chelan County Planning and discussions on moving toward doing more collaborative work on development applications, whether in the City or the County, go forward smoothly. The first coordinated Pre-Application took place with the County present and the meeting went smoothly. As a result, the County will be turning more authority over to Fire Dist. 3, who the City typically works with on Urban Development. Director Krueger also discussed with the County regarding road and utility planning. The County has different concerns and ideas so as the City develops the scope of work for these projects, the County will be able to give input. Eventually the City and the County will be doing projects together and doing cost sharing.

Director Hupp reported the first water reads of the summer are showing on the current utility bill and also the delinquency date on those bills are incorrect, it should read May 20<sup>th</sup>. Director Hupp also announced that he will be leaving employment at the end of the month and thanked the Council for their time and effort and that the will be available for the staff if needed.

Administrator Brinkman asked Council for consensus on using the Prothman Agency to recruit for the Finance Director position. Council concurred with the request to use Prothman.

## **RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS**

### **1. Ordinance No: 1289: Moratorium on Water and Sewer Extensions and Connections**

Councilmember Langston moved to approve the Moratorium on Water and Sewer Connections. The motion was seconded by Councilmember DeVries and passed unanimously.

### **2. Ordinance No: 1290: Xie Annexation**

Councilmember Eaton moved to approve the annexation that includes a pre-annexation agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilmember DeVries and passed unanimously.

3. Motion to approve Anti-Harassment Policy and Notice of Non-Discrimination

Councilmember Miller moved to approve the Anti-Harassment Policy and Notice of Non-Discrimination. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Molohon and passed unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no comments from the public.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Wyles asked for a motion to enter Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes to discuss possible litigation and stated no action would be taken. Councilmember DeVries moved to enter Executive Session at 6:44 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lak and passed unanimously.

Councilmember Devries moved to adjourn executive session at 6:53 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lak and passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Seeing no other business, Councilmember Langston moved to adjourn the May 8, 2007 meeting of the Leavenworth City Council. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Miller. Councilmember's Eaton, Miller, Molohon and Rader voted yes while Councilmember's Langston, Lak and DeVries voted no. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

**APPROVED**

**ATTEST**

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**Mel Wyles, Mayor**

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**Ronald G. Hupp, Finance Dir/City Clerk**