

# LEAVENWORTH CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

## May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007

Mayor Mel Wyles called the May 8, 2007 Study Session to order at 9:01 A.M.

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

Staff Present: Richard Brinkman, Ron Hupp, Al Kulp, and Connie Krueger.

### 1. Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce – Santa Haus;Gluvein

Nancy Smith from the Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce addressed the Council and stated the Chamber would like permission from the Council to set up a tent during the Christmas Lighting Festival and serve Gluvein. She stated they would need a 20'x 40' tent and would only be serving the Gluvein on the weekends from 12:00-6:00. Mayor Wyles asked if they have obtained permission from the Washington Liquor Board and she stated they had and would obtain a special occasion license. The Council concluded the City would draft a Special Use Permit for the event and asked the Chamber to make sure they inform the Chelan County Sheriffs department prior to the event.

### 2. Construction Ordinances

Director Kulp discussed a draft ordinance regarding upcoming construction projects. He discussed the issues of fencing, hours of construction, parking, equipment staging, asphalt cutting and patching and enforcement with penalties. The Council suggested the penalties be \$250.00 for the first three offenses and then \$750.00 for each violation after three. The Council also discussed possible mobilization areas in town.

### 3. Leavenworth 24 Utility Reimbursement Agreement

Director Krueger she had been working on the utility reimbursement with Leavenworth 24. Krueger stated she was going to meet with the attorneys regarding the geographical area and she would inform the Council as to the findings. This does not come to the Council unless it is appealed.

### 4. Farmer's Market

The Parks Committee had been working with the Farmer's Market on a temporary/permanent relocation. Bob Rodgers introduced himself as the newly elected president of the Farmer's Market. He stated discussions with the Parks Committee had resulted in the market moving to Front Street Park. He talked about the need to close the parking lane between the Gazebo and the Maipole in order to allow vendors to continue to sell out of their trucks and trailers for the first year until the vendors can make other arrangements to sell from tables and tents. Councilmember Langston stated he did not like the idea of letting the market close down the parking lane in front of Front Street Park and he thought the market would be better off in a different location. The Council continued to discuss issues with the Front Street location and decided to table the item and send it back to the Parks Committee for further review.

5. Golf Course Lease

Administrator Brinkman reported the Golf Course had approached the City and asked for the City to relieve them of some of their current lease payment as the organization tries to re-structure their financial situation. He stated an arbitrator had set the current lease payment. The Golf Course has asked for a 50% reduction for the first two years and a repayment of the reduction over a five year period of time. Administrator Brinkman stated the current lease agreement is a mess and needs to be redone. The Council discussed the need to have a member of the Council sit on the board of directors to guide the golf course into generating more revenue and representing the City better.

6. Centennial Time Capsule Presentation

Administrator Brinkman stated the event had been re-scheduled to May 14<sup>th</sup> and he would be adding a Proclamation to open the time capsule in 2106 to the Council Meeting Agenda.

7. City Council Agenda

Administrator Brinkman stated a request had been made to move the public comment portion of the agenda to the beginning of the Council meeting and to change the Council meeting from 6:00PM to 7:00PM. The Council discussed and decided they did not want to change the current time of the meeting or the public comment section of the agenda.

8. Downtown Musicians

Administrator Brinkman stated the City had been approached about permitting street musicians in the downtown core. He stated a Special Use Agreement would be required before the City would allow a street musician to perform in the downtown core.

9. Other

Director Kulp stated that Mr. Feingold from the Oktoberfest Marathon has approached the City and asked for permission to use the Gazebo as a starting line on Front Street for the marathon. The Council decided they do not want to let marathon start on Front Street as it is during Oktoberfest and is a very busy weekend with the City Crew also being very busy.

Director Hupp thanked the Council for all of their support and stated he was resigning as of the end of May 2007. Councilmember DeVries suggested using a professional agency to hire his replacement.

Seeing no other businesses, Mayor Wyles adjourned the Study Session at 11:15 A.M.

**APPROVED**

**ATTEST**

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Mel Wyles, Mayor

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Ronald G. Hupp, Finance Dir/City Clerk