

Regular Council meeting of May 21, 2013.

Present were: Mayor Spieth, Councilmembers Koepke, Naillon, Neal and Hart.

Absent: Roley.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Spieth. Pledge of allegiance was given. Mayor Spieth requested we break traditional meeting procedures and to share a minute of silence in recognition of those survivors, heroes and victims in Moore, Oklahoma, where a Category E5 tornado did much damage two days ago.

Minutes of the May 7th meeting were read and approved.

Public Hearing on the Critical Areas Ordinance. Mayor Spieth opened the hearing by stating that the purpose of this hearing is to take testimony relevant to the proposed adoption of an updated Comprehensive Plan and Critical Areas Ordinance to address the requirement by the Washington Growth Management Act to periodically review best available science and update policies and regulations as may be found necessary. The proposed revisions are intended to make permanent, the City's interim regulations that have been extended over the past several years. Community Development Director Chris Branch will give a presentation regarding the update; however, before he starts I'd like to ask if there is anyone in the audience who is here specifically to testify regarding the adoption of this ordinance and comprehensive plan amendment? No comments were received.

Branch read his May 21, 2013 Letter of Transmittal to the City Council. In summary, Chris stated that a quorum of the Planning Commission voted to recommend to the City Council that the proposed amendments be approved on May 1, 2013 and adopted the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions that Chris had prepared and further Branch stated:

- ◆ That the hearing tonight was set to consider adoption of the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments and Critical Areas Ordinance;
- ◆ That there has been extensive reference to the Critical Areas Ordinance but no reference has been made to the policy changes needed to the Comprehensive Plan to be consistent and very little time has been spent reviewing these amendments after they were first introduced very early;
- ◆ That some members of the Planning Commission may have not even been on the planning commission when the simple policy changes were introduced;
- ◆ However, the submittal to the state for agency review in January 2012 included the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments;
- ◆ Council needs additional time to revisit the draft and view changes since the January 2012 draft they were given;
- ◆ That Council set another hearing date for July 2, 2013, delaying the final adoption until that date, allowing more time for review of the final draft and another workshop if deemed necessary.

Mayor Spieth asked for any public testimony, and there was none. Mayor Spieth closed the hearing to public testimony. Motion by Koepke and seconded by Neal the city reschedule a public hearing for the adoption until the July 2 meeting to allow ample time for them to review the final draft. Motion carried.

Noel update Council on the status of the Water Rights Transfer from the Veranda Beach location to the city wells and highlighted the Memorandum to Washington State Dept. of Ecology and the Report of examination for water right application.

DNR Aquatic Lands Easement for the Champerty Shores water/sewer extensions reviewed. Easement is in the city's name, as we will be assuming ownership of the lines, once completed and accepted. The agreement mentions a "fee" for the easement and an invoice was received for \$1310. but it was received too late for processing for tonight's meeting. Motion by Neal and seconded by Hart the Mayor be authorized to sign the easement documents. Motion carried.

Clerk reported that the agreements from the DNR for usage of Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park discussed last meeting were the same as last year's; provide for rental for "Strike team" camping and a Type 3 camp, both after Labor Day.

Donahue reported that Braun Northwest stated that the delivery date could be set for anytime after January 1 in order to have better “share” figures and time to budget the proper amounts.

Supt. Noel reported that the Bid Opening for the North End Reservoir Project has been scheduled for June 13th.

Notice received from the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, stating that an Archeological Cultural Survey will be required for the OLVM Park utility extension. Discussion about possibly expanding the initial study in order to prevent the need for additional cultural surveys each time the city expands the utilities or replaces the irrigation system. Arnie Marchand commented he thought a visit with Tribal Historic Preservation Officer may be of assistance, considering the initial cost estimate for the survey is in the \$20,000 range, and over the amount budgeted. Branch and Marchand will try to schedule that meeting.

Chief Warnstaff reported that he has been receiving more requests for “school appearances”. At recent training, Warnstaff learned of a program that other areas are trying, where the school provides a lockable room and a computer that an officer can use as his “office” certain times of the day, but he would still be doing his city job and could respond to incidents. He would not be acting as a school resource officer. Council supported trying the program.

Dispatch Services Agreement from Okanogan County reviewed. Clerk had Atty. Howe review the agreement and he okayed it. Motion by Hart and seconded by Naillon the Mayor be authorized to execute the agreement. Motion carried.

Deep Bay Park Use Application for conducting the Can Am Apple Cup Races August 10 & 11. Overnight camping of racers and rescue team approved for Aug. 9-11; fees waived and boat launch will remain open outside of race time. Council approved. Requests for Fire Dept. and Ambulance Standby included in the application.

Steve Johnston reported that there would not be a Big World of Flight event this year, due to the serious illness of one of the main organizers.

Hart stated that there had been 3 break-ins on his properties within the last month and that some of his neighbors had also experienced break-ins. Hart asked what the community could do to help stop this. Neighborhood Block Watch groups can have some success but mostly making sure you lock doors, windows, etc. before leaving the house; making sure entryway areas are well lit at night can also deter someone from gaining access to your home or shop.

Motion by Koepke and seconded by Naillon that the May 15th payroll of \$41,067.83, #15266-15291 be approved; that vouchers #15295-15324, \$33,169.94 be paid and the meeting be adjourned at 8:05 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk