

Waitsburg City Council Regular Meeting – July 1, 2009

Mayor Markeeta Little Wolf called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

City Clerk/Treasurer Randy Hinchliffe called the roll. The following were present:

Mayor: Markeeta Little Wolf

Council Members: Leroy Cunningham, Jeff Broom, Ken Lenhart and Bart Baxter

Others: Delores Nettles, City Attorney Janelle Carman, Lisa Sterns and Vance Price

Agenda Approval:

Council Member Cunningham asked to have an item added to the agenda related to the Library. Agenda items related to the Library were then moved up to item b under new business, shifting the other items down. Council Member Lenhart moved to approve the agenda as amended with Council Member Cunningham seconding. The motion to approve the agenda as amended was approved and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes June 17, 2009 Regular Meeting:

Council Member Cunningham moved to approve with Council Member Baxter seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Delores Nettles inquired to the Council as to location of the planned RC Track. Vance Price asked about a possibility of a medical station at the BMX track once revamped.

Executive Session

Council Members temporarily adjourned the regular session of the meeting and convened in executive session under RCW 42.30.110 (i) related to potential litigation for about 10 minutes before reconvening the regular meeting.

New Business

a. Resolution 2009-548 Historic Building Modification Application

Resolution indicating the City's action against Charles Smith, owner of the American Legion Building and his none application for modification of an historic building. At the recommendation of Legal Counsel Council Member Broom moved to approve the Resolution with Council Member Lenhart seconding the motion. Motion was approved and passed unanimously. Item was added to the agenda by a unanimous vote of the City Council by Council Member Broom with a second by Council Member Cunningham.

b. Library Ordinances/Library Board

Item related to the current operating structure of the Weller Public Library and as to whether or not the City needs a Board of Trustees in place to oversee its operations. Council Members discussed the RCW governing such boards and determined that the City should advertise for interested participants and then go through a selection or interview process to re-establish the board before proceeding with other business associated with the Library. Council Member Baxter moved to advertise the open positions for two weeks as customary for vacancies. Council member Lenhart seconded and motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

c. Building Services Interlocal Agreement

Informational item related to Walla Walla County's intent to cancel the City agreement effective September 1, 2009 regarding building inspection services within the City Limits. Discussion item, no action taken.

d. Resolution 2009-549 Alley Vacation Public Hearing Date

Resolution setting July 15, 2009 as a public hearing date related to an alley vacation petition. Council Member Baxter moved to approve with Council member Cunningham seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

e. Flour Mill Change Order

Proposed Change order related to a presently collapsing section of the Mill. Council member discussed the reason behind the change and felt it was within the original scope of the project but thought it better off to wait until more substantial completion of the current reroof was done. Council Member Lenhart moved to table until August after substantial completion is complete as indicated by the contractor. Council Member Broom seconded the motion to table. Motion to table was approved three votes to none with Council Member Baxter abstaining due to a conflict of interest surrounding the project.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Little Wolf informed the Council of potential Flood Mitigation dollars through the Corp of Engineer including an upcoming site visit. She also informed them that there would be a facilities tour on July 7 as well as a Council walk about event on July 22.

Council Reports

Council Member Baxter – Continuing to work on Flour Mill Roof and RC Track development
Council Member Lenhart – Working on installation of playground equipment
Council Member Cunningham – Working on BMX track upgrades

City Clerk Report

City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe updated the City Council on various items related to the day-to-day business of the City, including set up of W 4th Streets water line improvement project and various items associated with it. He also informed the Council of the possibility of a new general fund revenue source from Real Estate Excise Taxes, the possibility of a HP overlay moratorium waiver, Flood Damage Grant Program through the Department of Ecology, the set up of a joint meeting with the Fire District Commissioners related to the potential annexation into the district. He concluded his report by informing the Council of the possible start up of the Waitsburg Estates Subdivision and the preconstruction meeting held with the developer.

Approval of Bills

Council Member Powers moved to approve with Council Member Broom seconding. Motion was approved and passed unanimously.

Payroll Clearing (Warrants 6551 – 6567)	\$ 15,482.76
Treasurers Checks (4820, 4821)	\$ 101.06
Claims Clearing Vouchers (Warrants 15470 - 15499)	\$ 38,173.40
	\$ 53,757.22

Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

07/15/2009

Markeeta Little Wolf, Mayor

Attest:

Randy Hinchliffe, City Clerk