



McCleary Regular City Council Meeting

Wednesday, July 13, 2022 – 6:30 PM

Zoom Virtual Meeting & McCleary Community Center

Minutes

Call to Order/Flag Salute/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at approximately 6:30

PRESENT

Councilmember Jenna Amsbury

Councilmember Brycen Huff

Councilmember Andrea Dahl

Councilmember Joy Iversen

ABSENT

Councilmember Max Ross

Motion made by Councilmember Amsbury, Seconded by Councilmember Dahl to excuse Councilmember Ross

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

Councilmember Huff called in after motion was made.

Agenda Modifications/Acceptance

Mayor Miller asked to move the Museum Utilities Discussion up on the agenda so it's right after the Library Presentation

Motion made by Councilmember Iversen, Seconded by Councilmember Dahl.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

Public Hearing - Aquifer Zoning Moratorium Ord.

Public Hearing opened at approximately 6:35pm. Mayor Miller stated this is the same one, other than changing the dates, that we did in January. This just extends it another 6 months and the intent is to prevent development on those properties, DTF, ours or the Simpson properties while the aquifer study and comprehensive plan are still being done. Unknown asked what is the current status of what's going on while the current moratorium is in place? Mayor Miller stated there is nothing going on yet, they are waiting to see what the end result on this is. Unknown asked if we were having studies done for this. Mayor Miller stated yes. Councilmember Iversen said we are also waiting until the Planning Commission vacancies are fulfilled.

Public Hearing closed at approximately 6:39pm.

Special Presentations

1. Timberland Library Presentation

Timberland Regional Library gave a presentation on the state and highlights of the last year of Timberland Library.

Old Business

2. Museum Utilities Discussion

Chris Coker stated that the Museum is asking if the City can help pay their utility bills. We need to figure out if we have a Visitor Center there, if this is something that will be OK with the Auditors. Linda Thompson said they advertise as a Welcome Center already, we promote the businesses in town to draw people into town. We don't have a Chamber anymore, so we want to do what we can to help.

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We work with the Library and sell books for them. Linda spoke in regards to all the upgrades they have done.

Public Comment - Agenda Items Only

Chris Coker stated that it's encouraged that we offer remote access, but we don't have to. He suggests that we put on the website that we will be taking written public comment for a few days, since Zoom wasn't working tonight.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Iversen, Seconded by Councilmember Dahl.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

3. Accounts Payable June 1-15 Ck Numbers 50731-50791 including EFT's totaling \$384,631.62
4. Accounts Payable June 16-30 Ck Numbers 50794-50820 including EFT's totaling \$146,353.53

Updates

5. Staff Reports - Water/Wastewater

Councilmember Iversen asked about the cost of the chiller and what companies we have looked at in regards to Kevin's Staff Report.

Chris Coker is working on the outstanding utility bill with the Grays Harbor County DTF property.

Susan Zetty introduced herself as the new Superintendent of the McCleary School.

New Business

6. Tenelco Contract Renewal

Council Member Iversen asked how much of an increase is this from last year. Mayor Miller stated he'll check, but he believes it's the 7.6% that they referenced. They will wait until next meeting to vote when Council can see the numbers of how much the increase is.

7. Aktivov GIS Hosting and Management

Mayor Miller stated this is the final cost of Aktivov, for Asset Management. The new Public Works Director will be in charge of this.

Motion made by Councilmember Dahl, Seconded by Councilmember Iversen.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

8. Confirmation of Sam Patrick as Chief of Police

Mayor Miller introduced Sam Patrick, the former Police Chief of Toledo. Sam Patrick spoke in regards to everything he has been involved with and all his Police history. Councilmember Huff commented on his conversations with the new Chief and looks forward to his leadership.

Motion made by Councilmember Iversen, Seconded by Councilmember Dahl.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

Mayor Miller stated for the record, Councilmember Ross did vote for him.

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Ordinances and Resolutions

9. Aquifer Zoning Moratorium Ordinance

Councilmember Iversen asked why we needed to put a Moratorium on a piece of property that we already own. Mayor Miller stated, to be fair, it prevents us from doing any development as well.

Motion made by Councilmember Iversen, Seconded by Councilmember Amsbury.

Roll call vote for Ordinance 874

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

Voting Nay: Councilmember Huff

Updates

Councilmember Huff mentioned he's working on National Night Out with the Fire Department and the Police Department. He's adding a car show and having a helicopter land in the park. The Fire Department will be serving hot dogs and the Museum will be serving root beer floats. We will have door prizes that have been donated by local businesses. This is on August 2nd from 5pm to 8pm at the Park.

Councilmember Iversen asked when our new website will be up. Mayor Miller stated we are still getting staff trained. It will be after the new Public Works Director starts. Councilmember Iversen asked if we could update the calendar on the current website.

Public Comment - City Business Only

Unknown said this Saturday night there is fundraiser for Oakley to raise money for her reward fund, it will be a dinner and auction at 6pm at the Barn on Vista Lane.

Bob Pringle asked what the City's Policy on abandoned cars in the City is? Officer Bunch stated, that's Josh in Code Enforcement. Mr. Pringle asked for an update on PIR's. Miller stated we are working on them, there are a lot and some of them have gone out. Mr. Pringle asked if we considered hiring a part-time employee to work on them and Miller stated he is looking into that.

Mayor Miller wanted to thank everyone for confirming Chief Patrick. He appreciates the patience for him to pick the right person for this position. We are working on hiring more officers. Chief Patrick asked for community involvement, he wants them to feel comfortable calling the Police Department and wants to make sure people feel safe.

Mayor Miller stated we had 6 applicants for Public Works Director and we interviewed them on Monday and Tuesday. He has 2 top picks and will work on reference checks. He's hoping to have someone hired by the 15th. Mayor Miller stated we have 5 applicants for Public Facilities but have not had interviews yet.

Councilmember Dahl asked to schedule August's meetings to work around Councilmember's Ross work schedule. Council agreed to reschedule August's Council Meeting to August 18th.

Motion made by Councilmember Iversen, Seconded by Councilmember Huff to reschedule August's Council Meeting to August 18th

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

Executive Session

Mayor Comments

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:59pm.

Motion made by Councilmember Amsbury, Seconded by Councilmember Iversen

Voting Yea: Councilmember Amsbury, Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Iversen

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