

MINUTES OF 3/27/08 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
135 EAST JOHNSON AVENUE, CHELAN, WASHINGTON

PRESENT: Mayor Goedde; Councilmembers Cooney, Greenfield, Harper, Morehouse, Morse, Papé-Miller, Weldy; Administrator Fonfara; Attorney Galbraith, Clerk Liles, Public Works Director VanEpps.

Mayor Goedde called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Morehouse moved to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve Payroll Warrants No. 28265-29341 totaling \$120,492.45 and Claims Warrants No. 69803-69887 totaling \$340,047.62;
2. Approve Minutes of 3/13/08 regular City Council meeting;
3. Excuse Councilmember Weldy's absence from 4/24/08 and 5/8/08 City Council meetings; and
4. Adopt ORDINANCE NO. 2008-1359 granting Zippy Disposal, Inc. a franchise pursuant to RCW 35A.14.900.

Seconded by Cooney, motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

RECYCLING PROGRAM/EARTH DAY: Scott Beaton, Recycle Coordinator, reported on the City's recycling program and the 2008 Earth Day event.

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE: **Papé-Miller moved to establish a City Council Sustainability Committee, its members to be Papé-Miller, Greenfield and Cooney, and to direct the purchase of the book "Toward Sustainable Communities" by Mark Roseland for distribution to City Councilmembers, the Mayor, the City Administrator and Department Heads. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

NORTHLAKE (HILLCREST) SUBDIVISION: VanEpps recommended approval of an easement to pipe storm water from Northlake (formerly Hillcrest) Subdivision to property below owned by Cotter Orchards. VanEpps explained that Northlake's developer is purchasing the lower property and, as that property develops, the line will be extended to an improved storm water retention pond. The proposed easement would allow for the outfall of storm water upon the Cotter property and would give City personnel the right to enter the property to inspect and maintain storm lines that will eventually be owned by the City. There being no discussion, **Morse moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Storm Drainage Easement whereby Kyle and Lynda Cotter and Cotter Orchards, Inc. grant Cascade Property Ventures, LLC, and the City of Chelan an easement for Northlake (Hillcrest) Subdivision storm water drainage. Seconded by Morehouse, motion passed unanimously.**

Gildroy reported that all preliminary plat conditions for the Northlake Subdivision have been satisfied and the applicant is requesting final plat approval. There being no discussion, **Greenfield moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Final Plat of Northlake Division I, as presented. Seconded by Papé-Miller, motion passed unanimously.**

TRANSFER STATION POWER LINE EASEMENT: VanEpps presented a request from the PUD for an easement to relocate an overhead power line to service expansion of the transfer station. There being no discussion, **Morehouse moved to grant PUD No. 1 of Chelan County an easement for a power line running over City owned parcel #272317220100 and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Overhead Utility Easement, as presented. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

AGREEMENT REGARDING FRANKLIN STREET PROPERTY: VanEpps explained as follows: It was determined that a portion of Franklin Street west of Emerson Street was vacated, possibly by operation of law pursuant to the non-user statute as set forth in RCW 36.87.909. In the case of this portion of Franklin Street, 40 feet of the originally platted 60 feet is needed for construction of a roadway. The Public Works Department and City Attorney have negotiated mutual conveyances between the City and owners of the lots along this portion of Franklin Street to (1) provide the required 40 foot right-of-way to the City (20 feet on each side of the center line) and (2) clear title of the City's potential interest in the remaining portion of Franklin Street (the furthest 10 feet from the center line). The conveyances will be in the form of agreements between the City and the owners of lots abutting this portion of Franklin Street. Council was provided a sample agreement. Following brief discussion, **Harper moved to authorize the Mayor to execute conveyancing documents to accomplish the receipt by the City of a 40 foot right of way known as Franklin Street, west of Emerson Street, and to clear title to the City's interest in the balance of the originally platted portion of Franklin Street. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.**

TRAFFIC CONSULTANT: VanEpps explained that the City has an ongoing need for the services of a professional traffic engineer to review submitted traffic plans and assist staff on special projects. The City's engineering staff issued a request for statements of qualification to provide said services, reviewed the responses, and is recommending the firm of Shea, Carr, Jewell. VanEpps then answered Council questions concerning the firm. **Cooney moved to select Shea, Carr, Jewell as the City's traffic consultant and to direct staff to present a consulting agreement for Council consideration. Seconded by Greenfield, motion passed unanimously.**

CITY ADMINISTRATOR RECRUITMENT: At Fonfara's request, **Weldy moved to schedule a special City Council meeting on Saturday, May 17, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Chelan City Hall for the purpose of interviewing the top candidates for the City Administrator position. Seconded by Papé-Miller, motion passed unanimously.**

SPECIAL EVENT/STREET USE PERMITS: Fonfara reminded Councilmembers that on 3/13/08, with six members present, Council voted on a motion to adopt an ordinance amending the Municipal Code relating to the issuance of Special Event Licenses and Street Closure Permits. Because the motion failed with a 3-3 vote, Fonfara asked that the ordinance be reconsidered by the full seven member Council. For the benefit of Councilor Morse, who was absent on 3/13/08, Fonfara and Galbraith restated the reasons for recommending the changes, and Councilmembers explained why they voted for or against adopting the ordinance. Morse responded with his thoughts on that part of the proposed amendment that would remove Council from the process for appealing denial of a Special Event License application. Morse concluded that because the proposed amendment was based on requirements of Washington Cities Insurance Authority, he preferred not to vote until hearing directly from WCIA. It was Council's consensus to delay a final vote on the amending ordinance until a representative of WCIA could be present to answer questions.

At 8:28 p.m., Council meeting recessed to permit the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the regular meeting of the Lake Chelan Airport Board. Council meeting reconvened at 8:29 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board meeting.

TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR THE APRIL 10, 2008 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The tentative list of agenda items for the Council meeting of 4/10/08 was presented.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

BEACH RESTORATION:

Cooney: He, Fonfara, Parks & Recreation Director Sablan and representatives from the Port District and Campbell's Resort walked the shoreline in Don Morse Park to consider planned beach restoration. Cooney spoke enthusiastically about the project and its benefit to the community and visitors.

Harper: Beach restoration was a high priority of the Shoreline Study, but the project has been delayed for various reasons. He's happy it will finally be addressed.

Morehouse: He was among those who walked the lakeshore, and he observed that Campbells' Lodge has installed wind and wave breaks to prevent sand loss on their area of beach.

Fonfara: What impressed him concerning the shoreline walk was the renewed interest in the restoration project, the coalescence of a core group willing to work to move the project forward and the need to recruit a highly qualified marine engineer as consultant on the project.

RECYCLING/EARTH DAY EVENT:

Cooney: He believes the City should exhibit leadership in recycling and Earth Day efforts, so intends to walk from home to City Hall for the 4/10 City Council meeting, picking up litter in route.

Morehouse: He appreciates Scott Beaton's work as Recycling Coordinator, and thinks the City needs to do something to improve the appearance of the Safeway drop off site, to address problems at the Manson drop off site, and to get more help from Chelan County for the recycling program.

Greenfield: She is excited about the new Sustainability Committee and what it might do to enhance the City's recycling program. She is interested in reinstating curbside recycling and would appreciate any information staff can provide about how the old program worked and why it was discontinued.

CITY FACILITIES TOUR: Greenfield asked that a tour of city facilities be scheduled for recently elected City Councilmembers. The Mayor responded, saying the City Administrator is working on scheduling such a tour.

LOG CHURCH RESTORATION: Weldy reported that there is a need to refurbish St. Andrews Episcopal Church because the logs of the 110 year old building are rotting. Although it is a National Historic Building and a local tourist attraction, the usual funding sources aren't available to churches and the 55 members of St. Andrews cannot afford to pay for refurbishing the church. Nevertheless, they intend to restore the church to its original condition, reroof the parish hall and replace heating and air conditioning equipment. In addition, they plan to tear down the building that currently houses the food bank (which is

moving to the Habitat Store) and to create a small park for use by the public in its place. Weldy encouraged the City, Historic Downtown Chelan Association and others to support these efforts in any way they can and the media to publicize the churches' need.

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6857: Papé-Miller reported that a five mile stretch of Highway 97 from the Canadian border to the Reman and Reload facility just south of Oroville is now a designated "Heavy Haul Corridor." This designation will allow trucks bringing wood products across the border to be fully loaded and could result in the creation of 100 new jobs in North Central Washington as additional shifts are hired to load, process and handle the increased shipments.

CITY OWNED PROPERTY: Responding to an inquiry from Papé-Miller, Fonfara said that a list of City owned property had not been completed as yet.

STREET SWEEPING: Morse reported that his neighbors had pushed the winter's accumulation of sand and gravel to the center of the street in anticipation of street sweeping. However, the street sweeper hadn't been by. VanEpps briefly reviewed the street sweeping schedule and assured Morse that the accumulated debris would eventually be cleared from every street.

GARBAGE COLLECTION: Morse referred to an email he received from Jeanne Atkinson and copied to VanEpps that concerned the new garbage collection system/equipment, and he asked VanEpps to comment. After saying he intended to contact Ms. Atkinson to discuss her concerns, VanEpps explained why this system/equipment was selected. Council questions and discussion followed. VanEpps assured Council that the sanitation crew will try to accommodate handicapped and elderly people who cannot move the new cans to the curb for weekly pickup. VanEpps also said that sanitation service fees won't be increased unless operating costs go up.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Prepared By:

Attested To:

Date Approved by Council:

Linda Allison-Liles
City Clerk

Bob Goedde
Mayor

April 10, 2008