

Colville, Washington
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
September 30, 2014

6:30 PM: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR PRO-TEM NANCY FOLL.

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ROLL CALL: FOLL, BERGIN, LAWSON, KYLE, JANKE, BIRCH AND FOSTER.

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PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBER NANCY FOLL, COUNCILMEMBER DOROTHY BERGIN, COUNCILMEMBER ANNE LAWSON, COUNCILMEMBER DOUG KYLE, COUNCILMEMBER MIKE BIRCH AND COUNCILMEMBER TERRY FOSTER.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBER LOU JANKE AND MAYOR DEBORAH RARRICK.

STAFF PRESENT: CHIEF OF POLICE ROBERT MESHISHNEK, CITY CLERK/HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER HOLLY PANNELL, CITY TREASURER VICKIE STRONG, FIRE CHIEF JOE HIRSCH, CITY ATTORNEY CHARLES SCHUERMAN AND ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN RON FROSTAD.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- #01. **MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 23, 2014 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**
- #02. **OCTOBER 1, 2014 CLAIMS CHECKS #52614 ~ #52657 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$139,501.06 AS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE.**
- #03. **SEPTEMBER 19, 2014 ~ SEPTEMBER 25, 2014 CONTRACT/AGREEMENT LIST REVIEW.**

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL READ THE CONSENT AGENDA.

COUNCILMEMBER BERGIN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER KYLE SECONDED THE MOTION THAT "VOUCHERS AUDITED AND CERTIFIED BY THE AUDITING COMMITTEE AS REQUIRED BY RCW 42.24.080 AND THOSE EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT CLAIMS CERTIFIED AS REQUIRED BY RCW 42.24.090 HAVE BEEN RECORDED ON A LISTING WHICH HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE COUNCIL AS OF THIS DATE SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 AND DOES APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THOSE VOUCHERS INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE LIST AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: OCTOBER 1, 2014 CLAIMS CHECKS #52614 ~ #52657 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$139,501.06" AND DOES APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ.

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MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- #04. **PUBLIC HEARING: CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2014 OPERATING BUDGET.**

[6:34:11 PM](#) MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL DECLARED THE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2014 OPERATING BUDGET OPEN AT 6:34 P.M. AND STATED THAT EVERYONE PRESENT WILL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD. THE CITY CLERK WILL BE RECORDING WHAT IS SAID. WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE COUNCIL, PLEASE STEP TO THE MICROPHONE AND STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS. ONLY ONE PERSON WILL BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK AT A TIME.

[6:35:35 PM](#) AS THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ISSUE, MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:35 P.M.

- #05. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014 OPERATING BUDGET.**

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COUNCILMEMBER BERGIN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER BIRCH SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 1528 N.S. AMENDING THE 2014 OPERATING BUDGET.

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MOTION PASSED.

(ORDINANCE NO. 1528 N.S. IN ITS ENTIRETY IS ON FILE IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

#06. PUBLIC COMMENT: THE FLOOR IS OPEN FOR ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS.

BILL PIFER, 1930 EAST IVY, STATED THAT AT THE AUGUST 12, 2014 COUNCIL MEETING THERE WAS A TASK ORDER FOR APPROVAL WITH WELCH COMER. ATTACHED TO THE BACK OF THAT WAS A CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN FOR 2015-2019 AND THERE WAS A PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE A NEW PICKUP TRUCK FOR THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT EVERY YEAR AT AN ANNUAL COST OF \$40,000. HE STATED THAT HE DOESN'T BELIEVE THAT THE RATE PAYERS AGREED TO THESE KINDS OF EXPENDITURES. HE ALSO STATED THAT BEING A MEMBER OF THE FLEET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HE KNOWS THAT THERE ARE OTHER TRIGGERS TO ALLOW THE PURCHASE OF NEW TRUCKS.

AVRUM BAUM, 1512 MCFARLAND RD, STATED THAT WHEN THE COUNCIL GETS TO ITEM #11 ON THE AGENDA HE WANTS TO KNOW HOW APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE.

GAEL TREESIWIN, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE PROVIDENCE HUNGER COALITION, STATED THAT THEY SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL TO CONVERT THE OLD COUNTY SHOP INTO THE PROPOSED REGIONAL FOOD HUB. SHE ALSO STATED THAT THERE ARE GRANTS AVAILABLE IF THEY HAVE A BUILDING TO RENOVATE.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES AND FORUM TIME:

#07. DISCUSSION/ACTION: TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL FOOD HUB PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY.

DEBRA HANSEN, WSU STEVENS COUNTY EXTENSION AND ROB WILLFORD, TRI COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATED THAT THEY HAVE DONE A PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY. DEBRA HANSEN STATED THAT THEY CAN'T START TO PURSUE A LARGER STUDY OR GRANT FUNDING UNTIL THEY HAVE A COMMITMENT FROM EVERYONE INVOLVED. ROB WILLFORD STATED THAT THIS IS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IS THE PAYBACK TO THE WASHINGTON STATE FREIGHT MOBILITY STRATEGIC INVESTMENT BOARD (FMSIB) AND THAT THESE MONIES ARE IN THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND NEED TO STAY THERE.

ROB WILLFORD STATED THAT THEY ARE ASKING THE CITY TO DEDICATE THIS BUILDING TO THE FOOD HUB PROJECT. HE STATED THAT THEY ARE LOOKING FOR A COMMITMENT TO THIS PROJECT WITH NO MONEY FROM THE CITY NOW OR IN THE FUTURE.

COUNCILMEMBER BIRCH STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE FORWARD IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.

COUNCILMEMBER KYLE STATED THAT HE THINKS THAT WE NEED PERMISSION FROM FMSIB TO TAKE IT OFF THE REAL ESTATE MARKET BEFORE WE PROCEED. HE DOES SUPPORT THE PROJECT IF WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN.

THE CONSENSUS OF THE COUNCIL WAS THAT THEY ARE BEHIND THE PROJECT AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT HAPPEN.

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MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE CITY WILL AUTHOR A LETTER SHOWING ITS SUPPORT OF THIS MOVING FORWARD WITH NO SPECIFIC COMMITMENT.

NEW BUSINESS:

#08. DISCUSSION/ACTION: REQUEST FOR FUNDING TO CLEAN THE FUEL TANK AT THE AIRPORT.

DAVE GARRINGER, COLVILLE AIRPORT MANAGER, STATED THAT THE FUEL TANK AT THE AIRPORT HAS FILLED WITH SEDIMENT AND WATER OVER THE LAST 14 YEARS. HE STATED THAT HE SOLICITED OPTIONS FROM PROVIDERS AND HE IS RECOMMENDING OPTION #2. THIS WOULD REMOVE THE FUEL AND CONTAMINANTS FROM THE TANK, RUN THE FUEL THROUGH A SERIES OF FILTERS AND RETURN THE CLEAN FUEL BACK TO THE TANK.

COUNCILMEMBER LAWSON MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER BERGIN SECONDED THE MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE AIRPORT MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH OPTION #2 TO CLEAN THE FUEL TANK AT THE AIRPORT WITH FUNDING TO COME FROM THE CURRENT EXPENSE UNRESERVED ENDING FUND BALANCE IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$1,510.00 PLUS TAX.

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MOTION PASSED.

#09. DISCUSSION/ACTION: PILOTS ASSOCIATION REQUEST TO COST SHARE FOR SEAL COATING WORK AT THE COLVILLE AIRPORT.

THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS REQUEST.

#10. DISCUSSION/ACTION: FOREST AVENUE SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENT BID REJECTION.

COUNCILMEMBER BIRCH MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER BERGIN SECONDED THE MOTION TO REJECT THE BID FROM KNIFE RIVER FOR THE FOREST AVENUE SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

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MOTION PASSED.

#11. DISCUSSION/ACTION: POSSIBLE APPOINTMENTS TO THE VINSON FUND COMMITTEE.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE APPLICATIONS WERE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT CITY HALL. SHE STATED THAT SHE AND COUNCILMEMBER LAWSON REVIEWED THE APPLICATIONS AND THEIR AREAS OF INTEREST. THEY ALSO LOOKED AT THOSE LIVING WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS. SHE STATED THAT WE WERE FORTUNATE TO HAVE MORE APPLICATIONS THAN POSITIONS NEEDED. THE RECOMMENDATION IS BASED ON AN ATTEMPT TO HAVE A WELL ROUNDED COMMITTEE WITH A VARIETY OF INTERESTS. IT WAS STATED THAT THIS PROCESS IS VERY TYPICAL FOR CITY APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

COUNCILMEMBER BERGIN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER KYLE SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF AMY ANDERSON, FATHER DANIEL BARNETT, LESLEY MANN, SHARON MCGRANE, BRENT PURVIS, LORI ROBERTS AND DALE WILSON TO THE VINSON FUND COMMITTEE.

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#12. DISCUSSION/ACTION: PROPOSED PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER AS PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

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MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE COUNCIL RULES STATE THAT PROCLAMATIONS WILL COME TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. SHE STATED THAT THOSE PROCEDURES COULD BE REVISED.

COUNCILMEMBER KYLE STATED THAT THESE REQUESTS ARE MAILED IN AND THERE IS NO LOCAL SUPPORT. HE STATED THAT THE PROCEDURE FOR APPROVING PROCLAMATIONS NEEDS TO BE REVISED.

THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS REQUEST.

#13. DISCUSSION: 2015 - 2016 BIENNIAL BUDGET.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE BUDGET NEEDS TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL BY OCTOBER 6TH AND IT WILL BE AND SHE STATED THAT SHE HOPES THAT IT WILL BE BALANCED. SHE STATED THAT SHE IS LOOKING AT DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS VERSUS NEW PROJECTS, EQUIPMENT, BUILDING MAINTENANCE, TECHNOLOGY ISSUES, ETC.

COUNCILMEMBER LAWSON STATED THAT STREET LIGHTING REPLACEMENT IS A GOOD AREA TO LOOK AT THAT THE CITY OWNS. SHE STATED THAT SHE ALSO FEELS THAT THE POLICE FACILITIES NEED TO BE UPGRADED.

COUNCILMEMBER KYLE STATED THAT HIS PRIORITY IS PUBLIC SAFETY, MAINTAINING AND GROWING CAPITAL FACILITIES AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES. THE NEXT PRIORITY WOULD BE STREETS ALONG WITH PARKS AND THEN QUALITY OF LIFE SUCH AS PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND ANIMAL CONTROL.

COUNCILMEMBER BIRCH STATED THAT WE SPEND A LOT OF MONEY ON OUTSOURCING OF WORK WHEN WE SHOULD DO IT OURSELVES. HE STATED THAT SMALL TOOLS AND PURCHASING SHOULD BE LOOKED AT ALSO. HE STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS IN THE PARK INSTEAD OF NEW COMPUTERS AND TRUCKS.

COUNCILMEMBER FOSTER STATED THAT THIS IS NOT A TIME TO SPEND MONEY, WE SHOULD BE CONSERVING AND NOT SPENDING.

COUNCILMEMBER BERGIN STATED THAT WE SHOULD FINISH UP SOME DETAILS BEFORE JUMPING IN TO NEW PROJECTS. LOOK AT THE RETURN ON INVESTMENT AND TIME FOR RETURN ON OUR MONEY FOR THINGS LIKE THE STREET LIGHTS.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE BEEN CUT VERY SIGNIFICANTLY OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS. SHE STATED THAT THERE AREN'T A LOT OF PLACES TO CUT OUTSIDE OF PERSONNEL AND BENEFITS.

AVRUM BAUM STATED THAT WE SHOULD BE LOOKING AT INCREASING REVENUES. HE STATED THAT THE CITY SHOULD BE LOOKING AT INCREASING THE RETAIL SALES OR HELPING THE EXISTING RETAILERS THAT ARE HERE.

COMMITTEE OR SPECIAL REPORTS:

#14. CITY ATTORNEY: REPORT ON ANY PENDING ITEMS.

NO REPORT.

#15. COUNCIL PENDING ITEMS: REVIEW LIST OF COUNCIL PENDING ITEMS.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL REQUESTED THAT WE ADD THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE LIST AND CFP INCORPORATION AND HOW THOSE LISTS WILL WORK TOGETHER AND BE UPDATED.

INDIVIDUAL REPORTS BY MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS AND STAFF:

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COUNCILMEMBER KYLE STATED THAT HE WENT TO CHEWELAH FOR THE WATER RIGHTS AND STREAM FLOW MANAGEMENT MEETING. HE STATED THAT ERIC DURPOS HAS ALSO BEEN ATTENDING THESE MEETINGS.

COUNCILMEMBER BIRCH STATED THAT THE CITY STREETS LOOK TERRIBLE WITH THE LACK OF STREET SWEEPING. THERE IS NO RESIDENTIAL STREET SWEEPING OCCURRING.

FIRE CHIEF JOE HIRSCH STATED THAT THE BURN BAN WAS LIFTED TODAY.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED AN NCIC CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION. CHIEF MESHISHNEK STATED THAT THEY AUDIT WHAT THEY DO WITH INFORMATION AND WHO SEES IT AND WHO GETS IT. THE CERTIFICATE IS BECAUSE THEY PASSED THE AUDIT.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT THE AUDITOR WAS HERE FINISHING UP THE 2013 AUDIT.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT SHE MET WITH THE PARK, POLICE AND RECREATION DEPARTMENTS REGARDING ITEMS LEFT IN THE PARK AND HOW WE WILL DEAL WITH THOSE ITEMS. THEY ALSO MET AND DISCUSSED THE BATHROOM FACILITIES IN THE PARK. THE BATHROOMS WILL BE OPEN AT 7AM AND LOCKED AT 9PM. PARK AND STREET STAFF WILL OPEN THE BATHROOMS IN THE MORNING AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WILL LOCK THEM IN THE EVENING. THIS WILL CONTINUE ONLY UNTIL THE PARK IS WINTERIZED FOR THE SEASON AND WILL BEGIN AGAIN NEXT SPRING.

MAYOR PRO-TEM FOLL STATED THAT IF PEOPLE HAVE COMPLAINTS IN THE PARK OR ABOUT ILLEGAL ACTIVITY IN THE PARK THEY NEED TO BE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL, COUNCILMEMBER BIRCH MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER BERGIN SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

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MOTION PASSED.

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: 8:59 P.M.

MAYOR PRO-TEM NANCY FOLL

Attest:_____
Holly Pannell, CMC, PFO, City Clerk/
Human Resources Manager