

CITY OF MCCLEARY
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 7, 2011

Regular Meeting

FLAG SALUTE	Mayor Dent Called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Flag Salute.
ROLL CALL	Councilmembers Boling, Geer, Lant, Schiller and Ator.
ABSENT	None.
STAFF PRESENT	Present at the meeting were Dan Glenn, Wendy Collins, Nick Bird, George Crumb, John Graham, Randy Bunch and Jennie Reed.
MINUTES APPROVED	It was moved by Councilmember Boling, seconded by Councilmember Schiller to approve the minutes. Motion Carried.
MAYOR'S COMMENTS	
PUBLIC COMMENT	Helen Lake asked if the Mayor had any updates on the fraud audit. The Mayor responded by saying there is no update to report so he has no comment. Ms. Lake also urged the Council to vote for the Children's Advocacy Contract tonight. She has been involved for twelve years and has seen how worthy it is for our community. Chief Crumb explained the significant value of the organization at a cost of only \$4000 a year.
CITY ATTORNEY REPORT	Dan Glenn asked the Council to review his memo and let him know if there are any questions or concerns.
GREATER GRAYS HARBOR INC. AGREEMENT	It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Lant to authorize the Mayor to sign the Greater Grays Harbor Inc. Regional Chamber of Commerce Agreement in the amount of \$1,000 to help encourage growth and economic development assistance in our County. Motion Carried.
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT	<p>Nick Bird spoke regarding the hazard mitigation plan amendment. GH County adopted their All Hazards Mitigation Plan in October of this year. The purpose of this plan is to address taking action before disasters strike. The County has given us the opportunity to "piggy-back" with the work already completed by preparing and adopting a hazard Mitigation Plan Amendment. Once adopted, it's in place for five-years. Councilmember Lant wants to take enough time to look through the plan to make sure there are no hidden cost items that could negatively impact the City finances. More information will be provided at a future meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Bird also commented on the Grays Harbor Council of Governments. He spoke with Julie Gibb and she recommended a survey of vacant commercial and industrial land. There would be a minimal cost. Nick would like to discuss this further with her to obtain the details as this could help the City try to find people to buy land for commercial business. The Council agreed to have Nick continue researching the details.</p> <p>Jon Hinton gave an update on wells 1 & 2. They discovered an old underground storage tank near well #2 and G & O needs to find out more information on it and will keep the Council updated on what they discover.</p>
GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY COMMISSION CONCERNS - RESOLUTION NO. 636	The Mayor expressed concern regarding actions and comments made by the Grays Harbor County Commission. Most recently, the Commissioners unilaterally implemented an action which shifts money from one fund to another, thereby resulting in a tax increase upon citizens of the City of McCleary. It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Lant to adopt Resolution No. 636 requesting the County's government properly determine the causes of and solutions for its economic problems and the impacts upon their fellow municipal corporations of the unilateral fund transfer they are proposing. Motion Carried.
IT SERVICE CONTRACT	Tabled until the next meeting.
BIAS 2012 SOFTWARE SERVICE AGREEMENT	It was moved by Councilmember Lant, seconded by Councilmember Schiller to authorize the Mayor to sign the 2012 BIAS Software Service Agreement in the amount of \$7,826.40. Motion Carried.
FIRE DISTRICT'S #5 and #12 CONTRACT EXTENSION	Negotiations continue to be ongoing with no resolve. Staff is requesting the Council approve the Mayor sign a four-month extension of the current contract so negotiations can continue. Councilmember Lant would like to be more informed as the process proceeds. He has many years of experience regarding this subject and would like to be aware of how the negotiations progress. It was moved by Councilmember Lant, seconded by Councilmember Boling to extend the current contract between the City of McCleary and Fire Districts #5 and #12 for four-months, if Fire District #5 also approves it. Motion Carried.
GRAYS HARBOR CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CONTRACT	It was moved by Councilmember Lant, seconded by Councilmember Boling to authorize the Mayor to sign the 2012 service agreement for the Children's Advocacy Center in the amount of \$4000. Motion Carried.

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY 5-YEAR AGREEMENT	The existing 5-year Reimbursable Agreement with Grays Harbor County expires on 12/31/11. The City received notice of the expiration, along with a new Agreement, to cover the period of 1/1/12 to 12/31/16. No changes to the existing agreement have been made. It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Schiller to authorize the Mayor to execute the 5-year Reimbursable Agreement with Grays Harbor county for one-year. Motion Carried.
2012 BUDGET & SALARIES - ORDINANCE NO. 775	Councilmember Schiller commented that he is concerned about the shortage of revenues and sees this as the last year the City has to come up with some new revenue sources before the City is in a serious situation. It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Schiller to adopt Ordinance No. 775 adopting a budget for the calendar year 2012 and establishing salaries. Roll call taken with four votes in the affirmative and one vote, Councilmember Geer, in the negative. Ordinance Adopted.
UTILITY TAX - ORDINANCE NO. 776	Councilmember Lant believes they have no choice but to increase the utility tax. It was moved by Councilmember Lant, seconded by Councilmember Ator to Adopt Ordinance No. 776 increasing the utility tax on sewer, water, and stormwater from 6% to 8.99%. Roll call taken with three votes in the affirmative and two votes, Councilmember's Boling and Geer in the negative. Ordinance Adopted.
BUDGET PAY - RESOLUTION NO. 637	It was moved by Councilmember Lant, seconded by Councilmember Ator to adopt Resolution No. 637 relating to the public utilities, authorizing an annualized "Budget Pay" program, setting forth provisions in relation thereto, and providing certain authority to the Clerk-Treasurer. Resolution Adopted.
CITY FEES - RESOLUTION NO. 638	It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Boling to adopt Resolution No. 638 relating to establishment of fees in relation to various activities; repealing Resolution No. 539 and any Resolution in conflict herewith; and providing for modifications therein. Resolution Adopted.
STORMWATER RATES	Tabled until the next meeting.
APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS	<p>Vouchers/Checks approved were 33931-33979, including EFT's in the amount of \$152,763.54 and 34013-34062 including EFT's in the amount of \$83,393.35.</p> <p>November 2011 payroll and benefit checks 33925-34012 plus EFT's in the amount of \$146,989.50. Voided checks: None.</p> <p>It was moved by Councilmember Boling, seconded by Councilmember Ator to approve the vouchers as received. Roll call taken in the affirmative. Motion Carried.</p>
PUBLIC COMMENT	Helen Lake wished everyone a Merry Christmas and commented on how nice the lights look around the City. Councilmembers Schiller and Lant thanked both Councilmembers Geer and Boling for their service on the City Council since this is their last meeting as Councilmembers. Councilman Ator concurred.
EXECUTIVE SESSION	None.
CANCELED MEETING	It was moved by Councilmember Ator, seconded by Councilmember Schiller to cancel the City Council Meetings scheduled for December 14th and 28th, 2011 due to the Christmas and New Year's Holidays. Motion Carried.
RECESS MEETING	It was moved by Councilmember Boling, seconded by Councilmember Lant to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. The next meeting will be on January 11, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Motion Carried.
Mayor Gary Dent:	<hr/>
Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Collins:	<hr/>

NOTICE OF CANCELLED MEETING

Pursuant to the provisions of RCW Chapter 42.30, notice is hereby given that the regular meetings of the McCleary City Council scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, 2011 and Wednesday, December 28, 2011, have been cancelled. The next meeting of the City Council will occur on Wednesday, January 11, 2012.

Dated: December 12, 2011

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wendy Collins", is written over a horizontal line.

Wendy Collins, City Clerk-Treasurer

Notice sent to: Montesano Vidette

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