

LEAVENWORTH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 12, 2017

Mayor Farivar called the September 12, 2017 Leavenworth City Council meeting to order at 6:30 PM and Chelan County Sheriff Sergeant Scott Lawrence led the City Council in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL

Council Present: Mayor Cheryl K. Farivar, Carolyn Wilson, Gretchen Wearne, Mia Bretz, Elmer Larsen, Margaret Neighbors, Richard Brinkman, and Sharon Waters.

Staff Present: City Administrator Joel Walinski, City Attorney Tom Graafstra, Nathan Pate, Herb Amick, and Sue Cragun.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of August 22, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes
3. August 2017 Payroll \$248,391.66
4. 2017 Claims \$455,961.15
5. Set Public Comment Period for Water Use Efficiency Goals on 9/26/2017 at 6:45 PM

Councilmember Bretz clarified a statement from her Councilmember Report in the August 22, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Larsen motioned to amend the consent agenda as described. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously.

Councilmember Wilson motioned to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT: SERGEANT BRUCE LONG, LIAISON OFFICER

Chelan County Sheriff Sergeant Bruce Long reported on the current Sheriff Report for the month of July and stated the events that have taken place around the City of Leavenworth and nearby surrounding areas. He stated the numbers of incidents, citations, traffic accidents, false alarm calls, and arrests and compared those to the prior month of June and the previous year's statistics. He then presented Sergeant Scott Lawrence as the City's new Liaison officer. Sergeant Lawrence introduced himself and added that he and his wife moved to the area because they enjoy the Leavenworth area.

COUNCILMEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Waters shared her regards for the recent hurricane victims. She reported that she attended the Residential Advisory Committee (RAC) and Planning Commission meetings; she expressed thanks to Development Services Manager Nathan Pate and the Planning Commissioners for the work that they do. She also attended the Festhalle Oversight Committee, Study Session, Public Safety and Parks Committee meetings.

Councilmember Brinkman shared his regards for the recent hurricane victims. He reported that he attended the Public Works Committee meeting.

Councilmember Neighbors reported that she attended the Festhalle Oversight Committee, Study Session, and Parks Committee meetings. She stated that the Parks Committee discussed a new picnic shelter at Lions Club Park, the Park & Recreation Levy, and additional water bottle filling stations. She noted that the Skatepark project is closed and that there will be a dedication of the water bottle filling station near Front Street Park on September 21st at 10:00 AM.

Councilmember Bretz reported that she is beginning her office hours again, which are available on her website; www.miabretz.com.

Councilmember Larsen reported that he attended the Residential Advisory Committee meeting and stated that the group discussed the Link Park & Ride plan that will be located at Willkommen Village and the Water Use Efficiency Goals.

Councilmember Wilson reported that she attended the Annual 9/11 Memorial Ceremony in Cashmere; she noted that Phase I of the Memorial has been completed and that they are now working on Phase II. She also attended the Public Safety Committee meeting.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Mayor Farivar reported that she and City Administrator Walinski met with the Sheriff Burnett and Projekt Bayern representatives to plan for police staffing over the Oktoberfest celebration. She then reported on the Study Session meeting and stated that the Council received a report from the Chamber of Commerce, received an update regarding the Oktoberfest Special Use Permit, were updated by TD&H Engineer Steve Marsh regarding the Pine Street Design, reviewed the 2017 Water System Plan and Water Use Efficiency Goals, reviewed the 2017 Comprehensive Plan update, and discussed an Interlocal Agreement for the Chelan County Solid & Hazardous Waste Program.

City Administrator Joel Walinski reported on the Festhalle Oversight Committee meeting and stated that the Manager has resigned and that staff is working on a Request for Proposal to fill the vacant position. He said that the Committee reviewed the Festhalle Facilities Policy and that they are working to simplify the agreements.

Development Services Manager Nathan Pate clarified that the Special City Council meeting on September 19, 2017 is to discuss the Housing Affordability recommendations.

Mayor Farivar recognized the students who were in attendance for their "Citizens of Washington in a Contemporary World" class criteria at Cascade High School. She asked them to introduce themselves and state what they will be doing for their senior class volunteer work. Ms. Bailey Brewer stated that she will be volunteering at the Salmon Festival, Mr. Ryan Everest stated that he intends to volunteer at the Salmon Festival and Coach the Plain Valley Nordic Team, Ms. Alyssa Riggs stated that she intends to volunteer at a preschool, Mr. Gabriel Wulfman will volunteer his time at a ski convention in Seattle on behalf of Leavenworth Winter Sports Club, Ms. Amanda Muro will volunteer at the Salmon Festival, Ms. Madyson Cunningham will volunteer at the Salmon Festival, Ms. Makenna Fromm will volunteer at the Salmon Festival, and Mr. Jason Stine will volunteer at the Salmon Festival. Mayor Farivar and the City Council

thanked the students for attending the meeting and Mayor Farivar gave each student a City of Leavenworth lapel pin.

PUBLIC HEARING – RITER ALLEY VACATION AT 6:30 PM

Mayor Farivar opened the Public Hearing at 6:55 PM.

Development Services Manager Nathan Pate stated that the public hearing is an opportunity to receive comment on the Riter property located at 106 River Street in Leavenworth. He addressed some background information regarding the Ralston Addition rules in reverting parcels back to the platted lands when the land is no longer used by the City. He confirmed that the property is not being used by the City, there are no known city utilities, connection to public streets, paths, or other municipal infrastructure located within the property. He confirmed that all necessary public noticing and comment periods have been completed. Councilmember Larsen gave a brief history of the area and the original plan for a street.

Mayor Farivar asked if there were any comments from the public. Hearing none, she closed the Public Hearing at 6:57 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – WATER SYSTEM PLAN AT 6:45 PM

Mayor Farivar asked if anyone wished to comment on the Water System Plan. She noted that the plan is available in the City Hall office or on the City's website for the public to review.

There was no public comment.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Ordinance 1551 Riter Alley Vacation

Development Services Manager Nathan Pate stated that the City Council is being asked to adopt Ordinance No. 1551 for the vacation of a City owned alley as requested by Mr. Ronald Riter. He briefly stated the items that have been completed in order to finalize the vacation and added that Council's approval will be the final step in the process.

Councilmember Wilson motioned to adopt Ordinance 1551 Riter Alley Vacation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Larsen and passed unanimously.

2. Approve Traffic / Foot Patrols Needed for Oktoberfest

City Administrator Joel Walinski stated that the City Council is being asked to approve the expenditure of \$7,000 to provide extra Chelan County Sheriff's Deputies during the three (3) Oktoberfest weekends. He noted that the additional patrol hours have been recommended by Liaison Officer Sergeant Bruce Long, the Oktoberfest security team, and the 2014 Ad Hoc Festival & Event Committee members. He confirmed the patrol schedule as follows: one (1) officer assigned to patrol the residential neighborhood on Friday evening and two (2) officers on

foot patrol in the downtown area; and two (2) officers patrolling the residential neighborhood on Saturday evening/early morning and four (4) officers in the downtown area. He added that Projekt Bayern will also have a minimum of 11 officer's onsite at the Oktoberfest Event who will patrol the downtown area after the event closes. He went on to address the cost of the additional patrols and stated that Projekt Bayern and the City will share in those costs; the City's cost will be capped at \$7,000 for approximately 250 patrol hours for the three weekends; funds will be provided from the Lodging Tax Funds. He also addressed Projekt Bayern's use of the WA State Patrol, DUI Patrol's, and shuttle services.

Councilmember Larsen motioned to approve the expenditure of funds for additional Sheriff Deputy Officers during the Oktoberfest Festival at a cost not to exceed \$7,000. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wearne and passed unanimously.

3. Chelan County Solid & Hazardous Waste Interlocal Agreement

City Administrator Joel Walinski stated that the City Council is being asked to review and approve an Interlocal Agreement with Chelan County for participation in the Solid & Hazardous Waste Program. He said that the City is a member of the Solid Waste Advisory Council that is made up of representatives from all of the cities within the County, and that all of the cities pay a prorated share of the annual budget. He referred to the earlier discussion at the Study Session meeting and explained that the City still needs to determine the annual cost and more information regarding "the tourism factor" in regard to the cost of the annual payment. Councilmembers agreed to continue the item pending further information.

Councilmember Larsen motioned to continue Chelan County Solid & Hazardous Waste Interlocal Agreement to the next regular City Council meeting on September 26, 2017. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brinkman and passed unanimously.

4. Resolution No. 17-2017 Legislative Priorities for 2017-2018

City Administrator Joel Walinski stated that the City Council is being asked to review Resolution No. 15-2016 regarding the City's legislative priorities for the 2016 – 2017 Legislative Session. He asked for direction in determining the priorities for the 2017 – 2018 Legislative Session. He noted that the Council's top three priorities did not receive much discussion and would like the Council to review those priorities from last year and begin to prepare a new list to send to the Legislature.. He stated the priorities as follows: 1.) Infrastructure Funding/Sales Tax Option; 2.) Housing Affordability; 3.) FireWise Assistant/Modifications to WAC 173-425-040 Outdoor Burning; and 4.) Public Works Trust Fund; 5.) Secure Funding for MRSC. He noted that items 4 and 5 were accomplished, to some degree, by the legislature during the last session. Councilmembers discussed the importance of the Public Works Trust Fund, infrastructure funding, the sales tax option with regard to affordable housing, and additional assistance to address the apple maggot quarantine.

Mayor Farivar stated that Senator Brad Hawkins will be at City Hall on Oct. 5th at 8:00 AM; she will put forth the City Council's legislative priorities at that time. Councilmembers briefly shared their thoughts on the subject.

INFORMATION ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Mayor Farivar stated that the joint meeting with Planning Commission on Housing Affordability Recommendation Review will take place on September 19, 2017 at 3:00 PM and the Economic Development & Finance Committee review for budget modifications (if necessary) will take place on September 26, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no other business, Councilmember Brinkman motioned to adjourn the September 12, 2017 meeting of the Leavenworth City Council. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Neighbors and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

APPROVED



Cheryl K. Farivar
Mayor

ATTEST



Chantell Steiner
Finance Director / City Clerk