

**ELMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 4, 2016  
6:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Jim Sorensen called the January 4, 2016 Elma Council Meeting to order. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

Mayor Jim Sorensen, Council Members Jim Taylor and Charlie Butterfield were sworn in to office during the meeting after having won election to their positions during the November, 2015 election.

**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:**

Diana Easton called roll with Jim Sorensen, Jim Taylor, Charlie Butterfield, Tom Boling, David Blackett, Pat Miller and Attorney Dan Glenn present.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**Motion by David Blackett and seconded by Pat Miller to approve the minutes from December 7, 2016. All Council Members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**CHEHALIS TRIBAL JAIL SERVICES CONTRACT:**

Attorney Dan Glenn discussed the contract noting that it is a one-year agreement which is subject to termination by either party with a 30 days' notice. Mr. Glenn also reviewed the daily rate of \$50.00 and the booking charge of \$20.00. **Motion made by Tom Boling seconded by David Blackett to enter into the Chehalis Tribal Jail Services Contract. All Council Members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY AGREEMENT:**

The Children's Advocacy Agreement was introduced. **Motion made by David Blackett seconded by Tom Boling to enter into the Children's Advocacy Agreement.** Mayor Sorensen called for discussion. Jim Taylor discussed concerns and had questions regarding the hours paid for, but not used. Chief Shultz discussed the agreement, noting that we never had to use the services in 2015 which was a good thing, but the need to have this agreement in place for times that it may be needed. Tom Boling noted that he remembers when he first got on Council it being explained to him as an insurance policy, where the city has it in place if they need to use it, but the hope is that it is never needed. **Mayor Sorensen called for the vote. All Council Members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**UPDATE ON VERTELLUS PUMP STATION AGREEMENT:**

Dan Glenn gave an update on the agreement and anticipates further information at the next meeting.

**COMMITTEES FOR 2016:**

Mayor Sorensen reviewed the current committees and suggested combining the Fire and Police into a Public Safety Committee. Jim Taylor requested to be on the Public Safety Committee. Tom Boling also requested to be on that committee since he was previously on the Fire Committee. Charlie Butterfield requested to stay on the Public Works Committee and Pat Miller requested to stay on the Police Committee. It was pointed out that three (3) Council members could not be on the Public Safety Committee. Jim Taylor had issues with Tom Boling sitting on the Public Safety Committee, due to his son Tyson Boling holding the position of Fire Chief, and requested to table that issue until he had an opportunity to question Attorney Glenn. Pat Miller agreed to sit on the Finance Committee. Tom Boling nominated Councilperson Blackett to the position of Mayor Pro-Tem. **Motion made by Charlie Butterfield and seconded by Tom Boling to accept the Committee member list for 2016. All Council members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**PAY ESTIMATE #3 – ROGNLIN'S VERTELLUS LIFT STATION PROJECT:**

Jim Starks requested that Council members approve pay estimate #3 to Rognlin's for the Vertellus Lift Station Project in the amount of \$75,012.33. **Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Jim Taylor to approve pay estimate #3 to Rognlin's Inc in the amount of \$75,012.33. All Council Members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**STAFF REPORT/ JIM STARKS:**

Jim Starks gave a brief update on Public Works projects.

**STAFF REPORT/ TYSON BOLING:**

Chief Boling gave a brief report on the activity of the Fire Department and commented that a monthly written summary would be included in future Council packets.

**STAFF REPORT/ SUSAN SHULTZ:**

Chief Shultz gave a brief update on the activity of the Police Department.

**STAFF REPORT/ JOE CHRYSTAL:**

Joe Chrystal discussed his meeting with Chief Boling regarding safety concerns within the community, for example, building occupancy and also discussed training the fireman on handling gas line explosions.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL:**

Mayor Sorensen closed the Elma City Council meeting for an Executive Session regarding personnel issues. Executive Session was to last 15 minutes.

**ELMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED:**

Mayor Sorensen reconvened the Elma City Council meeting at 6:45 p.m.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

Motion made by Pat Miller and seconded by Tom Boling to adjourn the Elma City Council meeting. All Council members voted in favor. Motion carried.



**Jim Sorensen – Mayor**



**Diana Easton – Clerk-Treasurer**