

ELMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 2015
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Dave Osgood called the October 5, 2015 Elma City Council Meeting to order. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Diana Easton called roll with Attorney Dan Glenn, Dave Osgood, David Blackett, Tom Boling, Pat Miller, Charlie Butterfield and Debbie Thurman present.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Pat Miller to approve the minutes from September 21, 2015. All Council Members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

TEXT AMENDMENT ON ANIMAL ZONING:

Council members discussed the text amendment on animal zoning. Attorney Glenn requested specific guidance on what Council's intentions are and questioned the limit on the number of large animals allowed per acre of land. Attorney Glenn suggested holding the issue over to the October 19, 2015 Council Meeting to allow time for Jim Starks and Joe Chrystal to review the Ordinance, provide him with the changes recommended by Council and he will draft an amended Ordinance. **Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Pat Miller to reconsider the Ordinance and bring it back to Council at the October 19, 2015 Council meeting. All Council members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

DEVELOPMENT CODE AUTHORIZING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS:

Attorney Glenn discussed a suggestion from WCIA for Council to adopt an ordinance adding a section to the Development Code authorizing Development Agreements. Attorney Glenn agreed to prepare a draft ordinance for Council to review at the October 19, 2015 Council meeting.

AUTHORIZATION FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES 2015-02-OUTFALL REPAIR:

Jim Starks recommended that Council consider authorizing Gibbs and Olson to provide engineering services for the 2015-02 Outfall Repair project. **Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Tom Boling to approve the engineering services 2015-02 Outfall Repair in the amount of \$90,216. All Council members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM GRANT AMENDMENT:

Jim Starks commented on the Shoreline Management Program grant amendment, explaining to Council that it was an amendment to the contract that provides the funding to complete the Plan update. Currently the project is 85% complete. **Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Tom Boling to allow the Mayor to sign the Shoreline Management Program grant amendment. All Council members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

REQUEST TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 2, 2015 REGARDING REVENUE SOURCES & PROPERTY TAX INCREASE AND PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR 2016 AND ALSO SET A HEARING FOR FINAL 2016 BUDGET ON NOVEMBER 16, 2015:

Mayor Osgood requested that Council members set a Public Hearing on November 2, 2015 to hear public comments regarding revenue sources, property tax increase and the City of Elma's preliminary budget for 2016 and also set a Public Hearing for November 16, 2015 for the final 2016 Budget. **Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Tom Boling to set Public Hearing dates for November 2, 2015 and November 16, 2015. All Council members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

STAFF REPORT/ SUSAN SHULTZ:

Chief Shultz requested that Council members consider approving the extension of the lease for their copier and also on the activity of the Police Department in September.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE:

Mayor Osgood closed the Elma City Council meeting for an Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (g) at 6:18 p.m. The Executive Session was planned to last 10 minutes.

ELMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED:

Mayor Osgood reconvened the Elma City Council meeting at 6:28 p.m.

CONFIRMATION OF NEW FIRE CHIEF:

Motion made by Pat Miller and seconded by Charlie Butterfield to appoint Tyson Boling to the position of Fire Chief effective January 1, 2016. David Blackett, Charlie Butterfield, Debbie Thurman and Pat Miller voted in favor. Tom Boling abstained. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORT/ PAT MILLER:

Pat Miller questioned the status of the E. Young Street project. Jim Starks commented that it was an issue of obtaining the equipment needed to do the project.

COUNCIL REPORT/ DAVID BLACKETT:

David Blackett questioned the status of sidewalk projects. Jim Starks commented that there was just one (1) small repair that the budget will allow.

COUNCIL REPORT/ TOM BOLING:

Tom Boling commented that Dallas Muir is willing to use his excavator to clear the property on Oakhurst Drive if the City will remove a fence on that property. Jim Starks agreed to get with Mr. Muir.

COUNCIL REPORT/ DEBBIE THURMAN:

Debbie Thurman commented on the "Eagles Landing" website and noted that it shows a layout of the new development and also commented on the piece of land that is for sale next to the Masonic Cemetery. Councilperson Thurman questioned if the City has inquired about the property to extend the cemetery.

SARAH OGDEN – LIBRARIAN:

Commented on the success of the Summer Reading Program and the money received from the Timberland Library and how they plan to use the money.

MAYOR'S REPORT/ DAVE OSGOOD:

Mayor Osgood updated Council members on the Water Spray Park and obtained information from Aberdeen but is still waiting for information from other Cities before presenting it to Council.

UPDATE ON THE SENIOR CENTER/CCAP CONTRACT:

Attorney Glenn update Council members on the status of the Senior Center/CCAP contract stating that the draft contracts will be given to Council then resubmitted to CCAP saying "this is what the Council has authorized" and the Senior Center Board which will state what their rights/ authorities are. Councilperson Thurman and Councilperson Boling agreed to be the Council representatives at a meeting between the City and the Senior Center Board.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

Motion made by Pat Miller and seconded by Tom Boling to adjourn the Elma City Council meeting. Tom Boling, Pat Miller, Charlie Butterfield and David Blackett voted in favor. Debbie Thurman voted against. Motion carried.


David C. Osgood – Mayor


Diana Easton – Clerk-Treasurer