

## **Roll Call**

### Present

Jerry Cole, Mayor  
Randy Hamlin  
Ralph Painter  
Scott Taggart

John Slape  
Steve Martin  
Scott Reed  
Mike Avent

### Absent

### Others Present

Chad Olsen, City Administrator  
Steve Petersen, City Attorney  
Dwayne Barnes, Public Works Director  
H.B. Hamilton, Chief of Police  
Michelle Archibald, City Recorder

## **Visitors Comments**

Connie Budge gave an update on the strategic planning process for the Library Board stating that they have had an introductory meeting with Craig Smith and the Library Board assessment has been completed. Chad Olsen reviewed the community survey for the library and agreed to put it in the September water bill. Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 the Library Board will meet with Craig and review the board assessments which have been completed. They will also conduct a short visioning process for the board activities and library services. Everyone is welcome to attend the board meeting which will start at 4:30 p.m. and the visioning process will be at 5:00 p.m.

## **Mayor Address**

### REDCO Recommendations of Appointments to Urban Renewal Agency: Sloan Nelson and David Qualman

Motion by Avent, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Painter to appoint Sloan Nelson to the Urban Renewal Agency. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Taggart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reed to appoint David Qualman to the Urban Renewal Agency. Motion passed unanimously.

**Unfinished Business**

Approval of August 2, 2004 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Avent, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Painter to approve the minutes as presented. Slape abstained because he was absent. Motion passed unanimously.

Council Approval Report

Motion by Painter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Avent to approve the council approval report in the amount of \$120,087.95. Motion passed unanimously.

Bid Award: Riverfront Park Gravel Parking Construction Project

Motion by Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Taggart to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement for Custom Excavating by Dean Larson, Inc. for the construction of the Riverfront Park Gravel Parking Construction Project in the amount of \$135,384.90.

Reed asked if they had a completion agreement. Olsen stated that it is sixty days from the start date.

Motion passed unanimously.

Landscape Award: Riverfront Park Boat Launch Project

Motion by Avent, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Painter to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement for up to \$11,440.00 to be used for the landscape design only. Motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

Lower Columbia River Water Trail

Mayor Cole stated that he is signing a letter to endorse the Lower Columbia River Trail.

Approval of Amendment No. 2 Local Agency Agreement Enhancement Program Project "B" Street Bike/Ped Improvements.

Olsen stated that by signing this agreement it will extend the deadline of the Highway 30 project to September 2005. Avent asked if there was any cost to do this. Olsen stated yes and the cost would come out of the project funds.

Motion by Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hamlin to approve the Mayor to sign the blue book for Amendment no. 2 of the extension of the "B" Street project.

Roll Call

Mike Avent	No	Slape	Aye
		Hamlin	Aye
		Martin	Aye
		Painter	Aye
		Reed	Aye
		Taggart	Aye

Motion passed.

### **Staff Reports**

Barnes reported that the new gate has been installed at the marina, East 5<sup>th</sup> Street paving project is complete, and the public works crew are out painting markers. Martin stated that it is very difficult to see when turning down East E Street to East 4<sup>th</sup> St and asked Barnes if something could be done to clear some of the bushes to make it easier to see.

Hamilton getting reserves registered at academy. He also reported that Ira and Marsha Swanson had a baby girl today. Cole asked if Hamilton had any information on the scooter issue from a few months ago. Hamilton stated that he was still gathering information on this issue.

### **Administrator's Report**

Olsen: Reported that a pre construction meeting is scheduled for tomorrow on the boat launch facility. He commented that next week the emergency board will be meeting regarding money for the boat launch. He also added that he is working on the library survey .

### **Council Reports**

Hamlin: Meeting tomorrow for LOWES in Longview. Hamlin stated that he would like to put something in the water bills again for Citizen of the Year because there have only been four votes turned in. Cole asked Hamlin to submit the information to Olsen so it could be put in the newsletter. Hamlin requested staff to put a copy of the last newsletter in his box so he could refer to it.

Avent: Would like REDCO put on next agenda. Mayor Cole directed staff to put REDCO issue on the agenda. Avent asked if the officer position that was vacated was going to be filled. Martin stated that the council will be discussing this and will need to see what the out come is with the USG bonds. Martin indicated that it may take a couple of months to work things out.

Slape: None

Martin: Feels very positive regarding the issue of the USG Bonds as it was discussed in the work session. Martin asked Barnes if anything had been decided regarding the maintenance of Fox Creek by "C" St. Barnes stated that it has not grown too much since the last time Whipple cut it and Reed added that they are still working on coming up with a plan for maintenance.

Painter: recommends putting in speed bumps on West "C" Street to slow down traffic.

Reed: Reported that there had been vandalism in the bathrooms at the City Park and the kids who did the vandalism had to repaint the bathrooms. He commented that the

soccer league wants to put in a small practice field in the city park with small goals and sprayed on lines. Friends of Fox Creek meeting September 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Taggart: Ruth Donaldson is now Senior Center Manager, Pam Johnson will be mentioned in the next news letter, Tony Hyde is trying to get more ideas for the bicentennial. Ann Richardson requested a needs and issues list.

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 8:50 p.m.

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Jerry Cole, Mayor

Attested:

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Michelle Archibald, City Recorder