

- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**

--Budget/Finance Committee minutes of September 7, 2004 were presented.

--Public Works Committee minutes of September 13, 2004 were presented.

--Cemetery Commission minutes of September 16, 2004 were presented.

--Council Workshop minutes of September 28, 2004 were presented.

- **Resolutions.**

Resolution No. R04-102: Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with Cellular One for cellular telephone service.

Resolution No. R04-103: A resolution amending Resolution No. R04-67, replacing the discipline section of the previously adopted City of Laurel Personnel Policy Manual.

Resolution No. R04-104: A resolution authorizing a cemetery study.

Resolution No. R04-105: Resolution adopting job descriptions for Utility Maintenance Worker II and Utility Maintenance Worker III.

Resolution No. R04-106: Resolution amending Resolution No. R00-12 increasing the credit card limit and revising the Credit Card Use Policy of the City of Laurel.

Resolution No. R04-107: A resolution of intent to increase the sewer rates to become effective January 10, 2005, and setting the public hearing date.

The mayor asked if there was any separation of consent items. There was none.

Motion by Alderman Mace to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Alderman Poehls. A roll call voted was taken on the motion. All seven aldermen/women present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT):

Cal Cumin, City Planner, mentioned that the Planning Board would review the proposed Elena Subdivision at the meeting on October 7th. Elena Subdivision is located east of Golf Course Road and north of West Maryland. The neighbors are very much against this subdivision. Issues include groundwater, changing the character of the neighborhood, and the introduction of townhouses. The subdivision is being annexed to the City of Laurel. Cal urged the council to attend the meeting.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**

City-County Planning Board:

Mayor Olson appointed Hazel Klein to complete the vacant term ending June 30, 2005 on the City-County Planning Board.

Motion by Alderwoman Stevenson to approve the appointment of Hazel Klein to the City-County Planning Board to complete the vacant term ending June 30, 2005, seconded by Alderman Fritzler. Motion carried 7-0.

Yellowstone City-County Health Board:

Mayor Olson appointed Kate Stevenson to complete the term ending December 31, 2006 on the Yellowstone City-County Health Board.

Motion by Alderman Oakes to approve the appointment of Kate Stevenson to complete the term ending December 31, 2006 on the Yellowstone City-County Health Board, seconded by Alderman Dart. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Cemetery Commission Mission Statement**

The Cemetery Commission's Mission Statement is:

The purpose of the Laurel Cemetery Commission is to recommend direction, planning and funding, with confirmation by City Council and Mayor, to assure the care and beautification to create an atmosphere of peace, tranquility and beauty for all visitors of the city cemetery guided by the rules and regulations adopted by the commission and established by resolution of the City Council.

Motion by Alderman Poehls to approve the Mission Statement adopted by the Cemetery Commission, seconded by Alderman Dart. Motion carried 7-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

- Review of Committee Minutes: None.
- Review of Monthly Reports: Police, Fire, Ambulance, and Code Enforcement: None.

Alderman Mace mentioned that, in answer to Alderwoman Johnson's idea about involving the school or a civic group in updating and monitoring the city's website, he talked to Druann Kerns, the IT person at the school district. Druann talked to the civics class teacher at the school and another man that will look at some kind of interaction between the district and the city regarding shared issues, such as bond issues, voting, and the school resource officer. Alderman Mace has the e-mail address of the contact person. It is in the beginning stage and nothing has been done yet.

Mayor Olson asked if the issue should be on the next council workshop agenda. Alderman Mace agreed and will contact the individuals to see if they could attend.

Alderwoman Johnson mentioned that the class could design the webpage and the city's web person could approve the page before it is actually loaded onto the site. The students would not have access to change the site, which would be a protection for the city.

The League of Cities and Towns Conference is scheduled for Wednesday through Friday. Mayor Olson expects to receive further information on some of the legislative issues. The conference affords an opportunity to see how other towns are addressing the same type of issues that we are addressing and to what degree they have been successful.

Alderman Fritzler thanked the council for approving the Mission Statement and the long-term study for the Cemetery Commission.

Mayor Olson stated that the Cemetery Commission has taken on quite a task, and the work of the commission is appreciated.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Alderman Fritzler to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Alderman Poehls. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Cindy Allen, Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 19th day of October, 2004.

Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Mary K. Embleton, Clerk-Treasurer