

# MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

February 3, 2009

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Ken Olson at 6:30 p.m. on February 3, 2009.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:           Emelie Eaton           Doug Poehls  
  Kate Hart               Mark Mace  
  Chuck Rodgers        Chuck Dickerson  
  Alex Wilkins (6:35 p.m.) Norm Stamper

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:           None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT:               Bill Sheridan           Kurt Markegard  
  Sam Painter

Mayor Olson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Mayor Olson asked the council to observe a moment of silence.

## MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, 2009, as presented, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

Laurel Chamber of Commerce: Minutes of January 8, 2009; Agenda of January 22, 2009.

Local Emergency Planning Committee: Minutes of January 9, 2009; Agenda of February 12, 2009.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

## CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims for the month of January 2009 in the amount of \$258,551.19.**  
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office.
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 01/25/2009 totaling \$119,424.49.**
- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**
  - Budget/Finance Committee minutes of January 20, 2009 were presented.
  - Emergency Services Committee minutes of January 26, 2009 were presented.
  - Council Workshop minutes of January 27, 2009 were presented.
  - Laurel Public Library Board of Trustees minutes of December 9, 2008 were presented.

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

Motion by Council Member Hart to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

**CEREMONIAL CALENDAR:** None.

**REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.**

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT):**

Bill Kampfer, 119 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, spoke regarding the amount of garbage by the snack shack at the high school. He showed two bags of garbage that he picked up at two different times. Bill plans to take it to the school board meeting next Monday. He stated that it is just unbelievable and rather embarrassing for the kids to be such slob.

Council Member Wilkins arrived at the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Mayor Olson stated that one has to admire someone who presents the information and then substantiates it by bringing proof to document it. He stated that the council shares Bill's concern and may be able to find some way to help.

**SCHEDULED MATTERS:**

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**

Laurel Urban Renewal Agency:

Mayor Olson appointed Bill Kampfer to a one-year term ending December 31, 2009, Shirley Girard McDermott to a two-year term ending December 31, 2010, Dirk Frickel to a three-year term ending December 31, 2011, Daniel Klein to a four-year term ending December 31, 2012, and Dean Rankin to a four-year term ending December 31, 2012, on the Laurel Urban Renewal Agency.

Motion by Council Member Poehls to approve the Mayor's appointments of Bill Kampfer to a one-year term ending December 31, 2009, Shirley Girard McDermott to a two-year term ending December 31, 2010, Dirk Frickel to a three-year term ending December 31, 2011, Daniel Klein to a four-year term ending December 31, 2012, and Dean Rankin to a four-year term ending December 31, 2012, on the Laurel Urban Renewal Agency, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment.

Council Member Dickerson asked if the applicants in attendance would introduce themselves.

Dean Rankin, ACE Hardware, stated that he is excited to participate on this new venture and hopes they can get something positive done for the City of Laurel.

Daniel Klein, A Haus of Realty, stated that he is looking forward to the opportunity.

Shirley Girard McDermott thanked the council for selecting her. She is sure they will all be able to work together and do a good job.

Bill Kampfer thanked the council for the opportunity to try to help the community.

Council Member Mace stated that, for something new for our city, it is great to have people that are well-versed in the community in their professions. He thinks they all have a great experience level that the city can count, as this agency is new for the city, too.

Mayor Olson stated that, while reviewing the letters of interest, he was amazed at the range of knowledge that each candidate brings forward. He could clearly delineate what he thought each candidate brought and how they could meld together to bring to this community an opportunity that the council has worked very diligently to acquire. He thanked the applicants for applying and expressed appreciation for their willingness to serve.

A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

Public Works Committee:

Mayor Olson appointed Bill Kampfer to the Public Works Committee.

Motion by Council Member Mace to approve the Mayor's appointment of Bill Kampfer to the Public Works Committee, seconded by Council Member Poehls. There was no public comment

or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

HOME Program Advisory Board:

Mayor Olson appointed Chuck Rodgers to the HOME Program Advisory Board.

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve the Mayor's appointment of Chuck Rodgers to the HOME Program Advisory Board, seconded by Council Member Stamper. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

- **Ordinance No. O09-01: An ordinance of the City of Laurel, to repeal a portion of Table 17.20.020 of the Laurel Municipal Code entitled Breweries, Alcoholic Distillation and to replace it with a new section entitled Alcoholic Beverages, Manufacturing and Bottling.** First reading.

Motion by Council Member Stamper to adopt Ordinance No. O09-01, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

The public hearing of Ordinance No. O09-01 will be on the March 3<sup>rd</sup> council agenda.

- **Ordinance No. O09-02: An ordinance of the City of Laurel, to repeal a subsection of Section 17.40.090 of the Laurel Municipal Code entitled Off-street Parking Requirements – Procedure – Specifications.** First reading.

Motion by Council Member Wilkins to adopt Ordinance No. O09-02, seconded by Council Member Hart. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

The public hearing of Ordinance No. O09-02 will be on the March 3<sup>rd</sup> council agenda.

- **Resolution No. R09-11: A resolution approving a Small Service Contract between the City of Laurel and Rosebud Engineering, Inc. for the provision of equipment and services to upgrade the existing WonderWare Control system.**

Motion by Council Member Rodgers to approve Resolution No. R09-11, seconded by Council Member Wilkins. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:** None.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT):** None.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

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

Mayor Olson stated that staff would present the council with the ordinances that reflect the manner in which city parks are policed and patrolled and the enforcement policy for discussion at the next meeting.

Mayor Olson stated that Tischler-Bise would present information regarding impact fees at the council workshop on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Copies of the Impact Fee Feasibility Study prepared by Tischler-Bise were distributed to the Budget/Finance Committee tonight and will be distributed to the rest of the council soon.

**UNSCHEDULED MATTERS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Council Member Mace to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Poehls. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

  
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Cindy Allen, Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009.

  
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Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

  
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Mary K. Embleton, Clerk-Treasurer