

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

April 19, 2011

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 April 19, 2011.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Doug Poehls
 Kate Hart Mark Mace
 Chuck Rodgers Chuck Dickerson
 Tom Nelson Norm Stamper

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: 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 Nelson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 5, 2011, as presented, seconded by Council Member Rodgers. 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.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Olness & Associates, P.C.: Letter of March 14, 2011 regarding audit for year ended June 30, 2010.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of March 2011.**
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 04/03/2011 totaling \$163,434.13.**
- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**
 - Budget/Finance Committee minutes of April 5, 2011 were presented.
 - Cemetery Commission minutes of April 11, 2011 were presented.
 - Council Workshop minutes of April 12, 2011 were presented.
 - Laurel Urban Renewal Agency minutes of January 10, 2011 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 Dickerson. 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.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.



SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments:** None.
- **Ordinance No. O11-04:** An ordinance amending Section 12.32.050 titled "Creation and establishment of a City Tree Board" and Section 12.32.060 of the Laurel Municipal Code titled "Term of office" located at Title 12 of the Laurel Municipal Code. Second reading.

Motion by Council Member Stamper to adopt Ordinance No. O11-04, seconded by Council Member Nelson. 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.

- **Ordinance No. O11-05:** An ordinance amending Section 5.44.030 titled "Exceptions to provisions" located at Title 5 of the Laurel Municipal Code. Second reading.

Motion by Council Member Mace to adopt Ordinance No. O11-05, 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.

- **Resolution No. R11-30:** A resolution of the City Council authorizing the Mayor to sign an Agreement with Industrial Communications and Electronics for Support Renewal.

Motion by Council Member Rodgers to approve Resolution No. R11-30, seconded by Council Member Hart. 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.

- **Resolution No. R11-31:** A resolution of the City Council authorizing the Mayor to sign a Statement of Work with Third Signal LLC for the Development and Distribution of 9-1-1 Network & Continuity Operations Manual.

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve Resolution No. R11-31, 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.

- **Resolution No. R11-32:** A resolution approving Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Williams Civil Division, Inc., for the 2010 Water Main Replacement Project and authorizing the Mayor to execute the attached Change Order No. 2 on the City's behalf.

Motion by Council Member Poehls to approve Resolution No. R11-32, seconded by Council Member Mace. 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:

Council Member Poehls stated that the next Emergency Services Committee meeting is scheduled on Monday, April 25th, at 5:30 p.m. Agenda items include the cat and dog ordinance and other items.

Council Member Nelson asked for discussion regarding the Growth Management Plan on the April 26th council workshop agenda.

Mayor Olson stated that he plans to invite Jerry Grebenc back to Laurel. Heidi Jensen assisted with the Growth Management Plan in Belgrade and would appreciate Mr. Grebenc's assistance. Laurel's Growth Management Plan was adopted in 2001 and should be reviewed every five years.

Council Member Rodgers stated that the Cemetery Commission met last night. The Commission plans to go forward with the concrete ribbons for the veterans' section at the Laurel Cemetery in



time for Memorial Day. The Commission is also considering the lighting for the flags and several other items.

Council Member Poehls asked for further discussion regarding the fireworks ordinance at the next council workshop.

Council Member Dickerson stated that the signs installed at the end of Valley Drive look nice and really stand out from a distance, and he asked that this be passed on to whoever was responsible.

Mayor Olson stated that Kurt Markegard was responsible and he will pass it on.

Council Member Mace asked regarding the status of the SID for SE 4th Street.

Mayor Olson stated two individuals are spearheading that project. Seven to ten connections to the storm water system are needed prior to the street project, and a couple connections still need to be done. When the connections are completed, the SID assessment process will begin. All of the property owners have agreed to pay their portion of the approximate \$200,000 for the overlay after the city completes the \$50,000 leveling course.

Mayor Olson stated that six applicants are scheduled to interview for the CAO position on Wednesday and Thursday, April 27th and 28th.

Mayor Olson, Council Member Poehls, and Kurt Markegard will meet with Tina Volek, Dave Mumford and Mayor Tom Hanel on Friday at 2:00 p.m. regarding the proposed water issue shared by the City of Laurel and the City of Billings.

The City-County Joint Meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, May 11th, at 5:30 p.m. at the Yellowstone Room at MetraPark. The Yellowstone County Commissioners, the City of Billings and the City of Laurel were invited to the meeting. Reservations need to be made by April 29th.

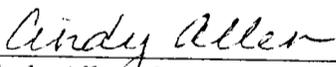
Mayor Olson stated that there would be discussion regarding the paint color for the outside of the council chambers building at next Tuesday's council workshop agenda. He encouraged the council members to provide input on the color scheme. The new windows and Johnson Control's efforts to control the thermostats in the building are improving the council chambers, and painting the outside of the building will also be a great improvement.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

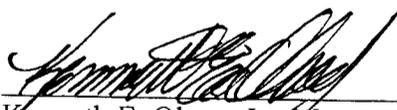
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Eaton to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Hart. 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.

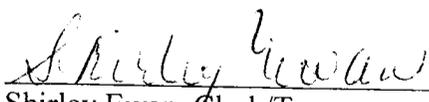
There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.


Cindy Allen, Council Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 3rd day of May, 2011.


Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:


Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer