

# MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

May 4, 2010

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 May 4, 2010.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:           Emelie Eaton  
  Kate Hart                         Mark Mace  
  Chuck Rodgers                 Chuck Dickerson  
  Alex Wilkins

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:           Doug Poehls                     Norm Stamper

OTHER STAFF PRESENT:               Bill Sheridan                   Kurt Markegard  
  Sam Painter                    James Caniglia

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 Wilkins to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 20, 2010, as presented, seconded by Council Member Rodgers. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

Montana Historical Society: Letter of April 19, 2010, regarding the State Historic Preservation Review Board's consideration of nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

Bright n' Beautiful: Minutes of March 17, 2010.

Cable Montana: Service Reports for January – March 2010.

Montana Department of Environmental Quality: Letter of April 22, 2010, regarding Discovery of Oil Film in Groundwater at the City of Laurel Wastewater Treatment Plant, Laurel, Montana.

James Caniglia, City Planner, explained the letter from the Montana Historical Society. Mayor Olson received two letters regarding city hall and the old library building. All business owners in the Historic District received letters regarding their buildings. James stated that the regulations would not affect a property owner's right to make modifications to a historic building, as that would be a regulation imposed by a local government. The Historic District is located within the Tax Increment Finance District. Mayor Olson informed the council that he had signed the letters to the Montana Historical Society.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

## CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims for the month of April 2010 in the amount of \$281,103.65.**  
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office.
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 04/18/2010 totaling \$174,071.71.**
- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**

--Budget/Finance Committee minutes of April 20, 2010 were presented.

--Public Works Committee minutes of April 12, 2010 were presented.



- Council Workshop minutes of April 27, 2010 were presented.
- Emergency Services Committee minutes of April 26, 2010 were presented.
- Laurel Urban Renewal Agency minutes of April 4, 2010 were presented.
- Cemetery Commission minutes of April 22, 2010 were presented.
- Tree Board minutes of April 7, 2010 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 six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

**CEREMONIAL CALENDAR:** None.

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

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT):** None.

**SCHEDULED MATTERS:**

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**

Laurel Ambulance Service:

Mayor Olson appointed Elliott Grayson to the Laurel Ambulance Service.

Motion by Council Member Rodgers to approve the Mayor's appointment of Elliott Grayson to the Laurel Ambulance Service, seconded by Council Member Hart. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Park Board:

Mayor Olson appointed Norm Stamper as the Chairman of the Park Board.

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve the Mayor's appointment of Norm Stamper as the Chairman of the Park Board, seconded by Council Member Hart. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Cemetery Commission:

Mayor Olson appointed Chuck Rodgers as the Chairman of the Cemetery Commission.

Motion by Council Member Mace to approve the Mayor's appointment of Chuck Rodgers as the Chairman of the Cemetery Commission, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

- **Resolution No. R10-45: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) for street sweeping.**

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve Resolution No. R10-45, seconded by Council Member Mace. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

- **Resolution No. R10-46: A resolution approving Change Order No. 2 to Task Order No. 10 for the final contract reconciliation for the 2009 Street Maintenance Project.**



Motion by Council Member Mace to approve Resolution No. R10-46, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

- **Resolution No. R10-47: A resolution approving the attached Task Order No. 18 authorizing Great West Engineering to form a Special Improvement District (SID) to reconstruct Montana, Colorado, Pennsylvania and Wyoming Avenues from First Street to Sixth Street.**

Motion by Council Member Wilkins to approve Resolution No. R10-47, seconded by Council Member Rodgers. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

- **Resolution No. R10-48: 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. R10-48, seconded by Council Member Hart. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

- **Resolution No. R10-49: A resolution of the City Council authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with Industrial Communications and Electronics for replacement workstations.**

Motion by Council Member Hart to approve Resolution No. R10-49, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Olson removed Resolution No. R10-50, item 10. g. from the Scheduled Matters

- **Resolution No. R10-51: A resolution of the City Council requesting the Yellowstone County Commissioners allocate the City of Laurel Planning Department the maximum number of mills allowed by Montana Law and carry forward the difference between the actual number of mills imposed and the maximum number of mills authorized to be imposed in the previous tax year.**

Motion by Council Member Mace to approve Resolution No. R10-51, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

- **Motion to schedule an additional public hearing on May 18, 2010, to gather public input prior to the Council's final consideration and adoption of Ordinance No. O10-02.**

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to schedule an additional public hearing on May 18, 2010, to gather public input prior to the Council's final consideration and adoption of Ordinance No. O10-02, seconded by Council Member Mace. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

- **Motion to approve the Mayor's Letter of Request for Assistance Under Section 14 for the Old Laurel Dump Site.**

Motion by Council Member Hart to approve the Mayor's Letter of Request for Assistance Under Section 14 for the Old Laurel Dump Site, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

**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.

Council Member Dickerson asked that the wiring issues in the front of the council chambers be fixed.

Council Member Dickerson thanked Council Member Eaton for her work on the Arbor Day celebration.

Council Member Rodgers stated that the cemetery work is progressing and should be completed by Memorial Day.

Council Member Eaton requested an update at the next council workshop regarding repair of the electrical issues in the council chambers.

Council Member Eaton asked how the citywide cleanup went last weekend.

Kurt Markegard stated that the third annual cleanup event was a success and about 75 tons, or 150,000 pounds, of trash were collected at the container site. Kurt commented that less trash is collected each year, and he thinks that residents have become aware of their opportunity to take trash to the container site. Trips to the container site have increase from 7,000 to 9,000 this year. The Public Works Committee will prepare a map with directions to and the hours for the container site so it is available to customers at city hall.

Mayor Olson thanked Council Member Eaton for her work on the Arbor Day event. He stated that the Lions Club has proposed to plant additional trees at South Pond, and a resolution will be presented at the next council workshop.

Council Member Dickerson suggested writing a letter of recognition to Vi Hills for her efforts with the citywide cleanup event.

Motion by Council Member Eaton that a letter of appreciation be directed to Vi Hills for her efforts with the citywide cleanup event, seconded by Council Member Dickerson.

Council Member Dickerson suggested thanking the city employees that participated in the weekend cleanup event.

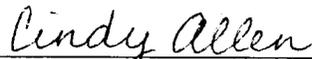
A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

**UNSCHEDULED MATTERS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All six council members present voted aye. Motion carried 6-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

  
Cindy Allen, Council Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2010.

  
Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

  
Cathy Gabriel, Deputy Clerk