

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

December 7, 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 December 7, 2010.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kate Hart	Doug Poehls
Chuck Rodgers	Mark Mace
Tom Nelson	Chuck Dickerson
	Norm Stamper

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Emelie Eaton

OTHER STAFF PRESENT:

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 and to recognize those who chose to stand their post on December 7, 1941.

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Nelson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 16, 2010, as presented, seconded by Council Member Rodgers. 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:

Local Emergency Planning Committee: Minutes of October 14, 2010; Agenda of November 19, 2010.

Local Emergency Planning Committee: Minutes of November 18, 2010; Agenda of December 9, 2010.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims for the month of November 2010 in the amount of \$843,830.83.**
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office.
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 11/14/2010 totaling \$163,018.23.**
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 11/28/2010 totaling \$190,549.79.**
- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**

--Budget/Finance Committee minutes of November 16, 2010 were presented.

--Council Workshop minutes of November 30, 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 Rodgers. 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): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments:**

ADA Coordinator:

Mayor Olson appointed Gary Colley as the ADA Coordinator for the City of Laurel.

Motion by Council Member Poehls to approve the Mayor's appointment of Gary Colley as the ADA Coordinator for the City of Laurel, seconded by Council Member Mace. 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.

- **Ordinance No. O10-04: An ordinance amending Section 12.08.070 of the Laurel Municipal Code titled "Curb Cut Lengths" located at Chapter 12 of the Laurel Municipal Code. Second reading.**

Motion by Council Member Mace to adopt Ordinance No. O10-04, seconded by Council Member Poehls. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R10-129: A resolution of the City Council accepting a right-of-way from LMT Investments to provide the City access to the recently relocated Italian Drain Ditch easement located at Hageman Subdivision, 3rd Filing, within the City of Laurel.**

Motion by Council Member Rodgers to approve Resolution No. R10-129, seconded by Council Member Hart. 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.

- **Resolution No. R10-130: A resolution approving Change Order No. 1 to the previously approved contract with Blacktop, Inc. for the 2010 Street Maintenance Project, adding two days to the completion date due to inclement weather and authorizing the Mayor to execute the attached Change Order No. 1 on the City's behalf.**

Motion by Council Member Stamper to approve Resolution No. R10-130, 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.

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 Poehls stated that the Emergency Services Committee will not meet on December 27th but might meet on January 3rd. The Committee will be notified soon.

Council Member Mace stated that Dave Mumford, the Public Works Director in Billings, contacted him regarding past discussion on the feasibility of partnering up with Laurel for water in the future. Council Member Mace told Dave that the City of Laurel is interested in a large reservoir somewhere north of town for the city's purposes. Mr. Mumford did not think that would serve the purpose as they are looking to drill a well or wells somewhere east of Laurel, west of Billings. The system would be used to make their system better in the summer months when they are using a great deal of water and pumping about 50 million gallons of water a day. It did not sound like he could help with Laurel's needs, but Council Member Mace wanted to inform the council. The City of Billings is considering procuring land this summer. Council Member Mace told Dave Mumford that city personnel would contact him to meet.

Mayor Olson will contact Tina Volek to schedule a meeting.

Council Member Stamper stated that he would not attend the joint meeting, as he was asked to participate in the Color Guard for at the Knights of Columbus meeting on Thursday night.

Council Member Stamper will be unable to attend the council workshop on December 14th.

Mayor Olson stated that the city is reviewing the contract with Technical Edge for IT services. Research is being done regarding the city's internet services currently provided by SummitNet. SummitNet has not charged the city but will start charging on January 1st. Mayor Olson has given the charge to Technical Edge to investigate the available options for the City of Laurel.

Mayor Olson stated that the Emergency Services Group, which is the fire, ambulance and police department heads, has been discussing certain issues and aspects of that group. Mayor Olson also meets with the Public Works Director and the Clerk/Treasurer on a weekly basis.

Mayor Olson reviewed the agenda for the joint meeting with the County Commissioners. The agenda items include: Public Comment; County Public Works projects completed in Laurel – Tim Miller; Airport Road speed study – Mike Black; Update for Laurel Aviation Week. Laurel's agenda items include: Nancy Schmidt, City of Laurel Librarian, Library funding; Speed limit signage on Buffalo Trail, East Railroad Street and West Railroad Street; Riverside Park levee; Fireworks; DMV Agreement; and hands-free cell phone ordinance. There was discussion regarding the agenda items and transportation to the meeting. Parking information will be forwarded to the council tomorrow.

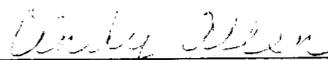
Mayor Olson stated that the Municipal Officials Regional Training is scheduled in Big Timber on Wednesday, December 15th. City vehicles are available for transportation.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Mace. 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.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.



Cindy Allen, Council Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 21st day of December, 2010.



Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:



Cathy Gabriel, Deputy Clerk