

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

March 20, 2012

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Vice-President Mace at 6:30 p.m. on March 20, 2012.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton
 Bruce McGee Mark Mace
 Scot Stokes Chuck Dickerson
 Tom Nelson Norm Stamper

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Doug Poehls

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: None

Vice-President Mace led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Vice-President Mace asked the council to observe a moment of silence.

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 6, 2012, 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:

Montana Department of Transportation: Letter of March 6, 2012 regarding 2012-2016 Draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of February 2012.**
- **Approval of Payroll Register, including retroactive pay for Local 316, for PPE 03/04/2012 totaling \$188,306.10.**
- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**
 - Budget/Finance Committee minutes of March 6, 2012 were presented.
 - City-County Planning Board minutes of March 1, 2012 were presented.
 - Park Board minutes of March 1, 2012 were presented.
 - Public Works Committee minutes of March 12, 2012 were presented.
 - Council Workshop minutes of March 13, 2012 were presented.
 - Laurel Urban Renewal Agency minutes of February 6, 2012 were presented.

Vice-President Mace asked if there was any separation of consent items. There was none.

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Council Member Stamper. 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):

Kat Stokes, 1135 9th Avenue, just received a text reminder from Hunter to let everybody know that Washington Park cannot be used for the skate park as it does not exist. She spoke with Kurt Markegard regarding this last week. In 2005, there was a land swap with the School District and then another land swap with Grace Bible Church. Possible alternative locations are being considered. Kurt suggested Kiwanis Park and the area on 12th Street where the city will be receiving some land soon.

Vice-President Mace stated that that Park Board will form a steering committee to study the skate park issue and present its findings and concerns to the Park Board. Anyone that wants to serve on the committee should contact him. He stated that it would benefit to form the committee as soon as possible.

Council Member Stamper stated that the area north of the soccer field on Fir Avenue is city parkland and could be a possibility for the skate park.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**

Laurel Ambulance Service:

Vice-President Mace stated the Mayor's appointments of Brandon Buerkle, Dan Koch, Donny Mills, Rande FourBear, Lynn Sandvick and Kristi McClellan to the Laurel Ambulance Service.

Motion by Council Member Stamper to approve the Mayor's appointments to the Laurel Ambulance Service, 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.

- **Resolution No. R12-15: A resolution adopting the Yellowstone County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan.**

Motion by Council Member McGee to approve Resolution No. R12-15, 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.

- **Resolution No. R12-16: A resolution approving a Multidistrict Agreement between the City of Laurel and the Laurel School District 7 & 7-70 for the construction and maintenance of a school/community tennis court facility.**

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve Resolution No. R12-16, seconded by Council Member Stamper. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. Council Members Dickerson, Stamper, Nelson, Stokes, McGee and Mace voted aye. Council Member Eaton voted nay. Motion carried 6-1.

- **Resolution No. R12-17: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Community Transportation Enhancement Program "CTEP" Agreement between the City of Laurel and the State of Montana Department of Transportation for the City of Laurel's East Main Street Sidewalk Project.**

Motion by Council Member Stokes to approve Resolution No. R12-17, seconded by Council Member Nelson. 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. R12-18: A resolution approving the Final Plat of Lot 6A-1 of Amended Plat of Lot 6-A, Block 2, Laurel Industrial Park Subdivision, an addition to the City of Laurel, Montana.**

Motion by Council Member Nelson to approve Resolution No. R12-18, seconded by Council Member Stamper. 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:

Council Member Nelson stated that the Cemetery Commission met and made progress on the work that has been evolving for five years concerning the sprinkler systems. The information will be on the next workshop agenda for council consideration.

Council Member Nelson stated that Paulette at the County is still looking for celebrity cooks for the BBQ for the Big Sky Honor Flight on March 31st. The mission of the event is to raise funds to transport veterans to the WWII Memorial in Washington, DC at no cost to them.

Vice-President Mace stated that President Poehls had a commitment tonight and Mayor Olson is under the weather.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

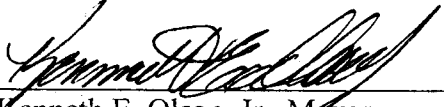
Motion by Council Member Dickerson to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



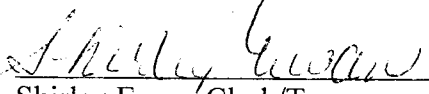
Cindy Allen, Council Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 3rd day of April, 2012.



Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:



Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer