

- **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**

--Budget/Finance Committee minutes of October 2, 2012 were presented.

--Council Workshop minutes of October 9, 2012 were presented.

--Park Board minutes of October 4, 2012 were presented.

--Lease Task Force minutes of October 1, 2012 were presented.

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

Motion by Council Member Poehls 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):

Dixie Feller, 520 Date Avenue, stated that she would like city to replace the Laurel Library sign that directs on Eighth Avenue back towards the library. There used to be a sign to point north directing people to the library. There is a sign on First and Main that points west to direct people to the library, but there is no sign to direct turning north on Eighth Avenue, so people could end up in Park City. Tourists access the Laurel Library, and Dixie requested that the sign be put back up. Dixie currently serves as the vice-chair of the Laurel Library Board.

Mayor Olson stated that the city would look into it.

John Kaiserman, 406 Cedar Avenue, has lived in Laurel since 1967. He spoke regarding the traffic on South 4th Street. Since the CHS Refinery moved the temporary employees' parking lot to the west end of the refinery, the traffic on South 4th Street has increased, especially in the morning and the afternoon. He stated that people will stop at the stop sign on Yellowstone, but they consider South 4th Street to be a thru street, but it is not. He requested that the city place some stop signs on the feeder streets on the east end of South 4th Street as a public safety measure. John thanked Council Member Eaton for her help on the issue and for providing the minutes of some council discussion. John stated that he did not realize the hoops one has to jump through and the bases one has to touch to get something like this done. Mr. Kaiserman thanked the council.

Mayor Olson stated that the city is looking at funding a study in that regard from a Transportation Plan that is coming forward, as the money allows.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**
- **Resolution No. R12-85: A resolution of the City Council accepting a donation of a flagpole located at Laurel Dodger Stadium.**

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve Resolution No. R12-85, seconded by Council Member Poehls. 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. R12-86: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Engagement Letter with Dorsey & Whitney, LLP as bond counsel for the Sewer System Revenue Bond for Phase 2A2 improvements to the City's sewer system.**

Motion by Council Member McGee to approve Resolution No. R12-86, 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. R12-87: A resolution of the City Council authorizing the Mayor to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Montana State Procurement Bureau.**

Motion by Council Member Mountsier to approve Resolution No. R12-87, 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. R12-88: A resolution of the City Council approving the Final Plat for a minor subdivision known as Ricci Minor Subdivision for Block 1, Lot 1, School District No. 7 Subdivision, City of Laurel, Montana.**

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve Resolution No. R12-88, 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. R12-89: A resolution of the City Council authorizing Laurel Little League to access Ponderosa Park prior to negotiating and executing a lease agreement with the City to commence preliminary construction of a baseball field north of the existing soccer field.**

Motion by Council Member Nelson to approve Resolution No. R12-89, 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:

Council Member Mountsier mentioned that the 25 mph speed limit is not posted on Railroad Street going west from First Avenue.

Mayor Olson will look into it.

Council Member Nelson apologized for his extended absence for three weeks and thanked the council for allowing him to be absent as he took a position with a new company.

Council Member McGee stated that the task force has been working to resolve the multi-uses of Riverside Park, specifically addressing the concerns of the shooting clubs that are without a lease. Another meeting is scheduled tomorrow night. He suggested that a report regarding the meetings should be given at the next council workshop.

As Council Members McGee and Nelson could not attend the lease task force meeting on Wednesday, Mayor Olson asked them to meet following the council meeting for discussion.

Council Member Eaton stated thanks for the speedy production of the information she requested at last week's council workshop.

Mayor Olson stated that annexations will be the discussion topic at a special council workshop on Tuesday, October 23rd. There was discussion regarding whether to schedule the meeting at 6:30 or 5:30 p.m. It was agreed to schedule the meeting at 5:30 p.m. The next regular council workshop will be on October 30th at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Olson updated the council on the city's progress with FEMA and the water issues at the river. Staff is waiting for word from the Army Corps regarding the permit modification that would include the emergency work permit. The Army Corps is reviewing the work permit for the work that the city initially requested and the additional emergency permitting, since the city was in the river without authorization. The next conference call with FEMA is scheduled in two weeks.

Council Member Eaton asked if there is concern that the Army Corps would not allow the city to do what it did.

Mayor Olson explained that there is no concern, but the Army Corps believes that there would have been sufficient time to notify them before going into the river. Great West Engineering notified the Army Corps simultaneously.

Mayor Olson stated that Great West Engineering is currently reviewing the list of qualified bidders for the Wastewater Treatment Plant project. In a project of this magnitude, bidders have to be pre-qualified in order to bid the project. DEQ is reviewing the project and staff still has time for input into the project.

Mayor Olson was unable to attend the Riverstone Health luncheon today.

Mayor Olson plans to attend a luncheon tomorrow for the Big Sky Economic Development Authority (BSEDA). Matthew Rose, the CEO of BNSF Railroad, will be speaking. If he has an opportunity to speak to him, Mayor Olson will do so.

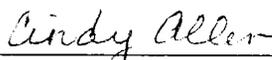
Mayor Olson mentioned that the Laurel Rotary Club is sponsoring an event on Saturday night to raise money for the high school gymnasium floor. The Globetrotter Ambassadors will play a team of Laurel alumni. Tickets are \$7.00 in advance and \$9.00 at the gate. The money raised by the event will be matched by an unknown donor and by the Laurel Urban Renewal Agency (LURA).

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

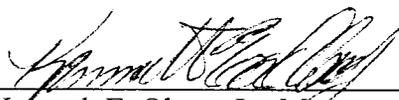
Motion by Council Member Poehls to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Cindy Allen, Council Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 6th day of November, 2012.



Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:



Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer