

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

November 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 Mayor Ken Olson at 6:30 p.m. on November 20, 2012.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Doug Poehls
 Bruce McGee Mark Mace
 Scot Stokes Chuck Dickerson
 Tom Nelson Bill Mountsier

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: None

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 Mountsier to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 6, 2012, as presented, seconded by Council Member Poehls. 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:

Montana Department of Revenue: Letter of October 4, 2012 regarding Application for Issuance of One Original (NEW) Montana Retail On-Premises Consumption Restaurant Beer and Wine License for Pittstop, LLC – Members with 10% or more: Travis L. Pitts and Lori J. Pitts.

Laurel Chamber of Commerce: Minutes of October 18, 2012; Agenda for November 15, 2012.

PUBLIC HEARING.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of October 2012.**
 - **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 11/11/2012 totaling \$169,047.87.**
 - **Receiving the Committee Reports into the Record.**
- Budget/Finance Committee minutes of November 6, 2012 were presented.
- City-County Planning Board minutes of November 1, 2012 were presented.
- Public Works Committee minutes of November 5, 2012 were presented.
- Council Workshop minutes of November 13, 2012 were presented.
- Lease Task Force minutes of November 5, 2012 were presented.
- Tree Board minutes of October 18, 2012 were presented.

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



Motion by Council Member Mace 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 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.**

Laurel Ambulance Service:

Mayor Olson appointed Michelle Tristan and Taylor Faught to the Laurel Ambulance Service.

Motion by Council Member Poehls to approve the Mayor's appointments of Michelle Tristan and Taylor Faught to the Laurel Ambulance Service, 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.

- **Resolution No. R12-94: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Engagement Letter with Dorsey & Whitney, LLP as bond counsel for the reissuance of Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds for participation in the State of Montana's Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund Program and Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Program.**

Motion by Council Member Stokes to approve Resolution No. R12-94, seconded by Council Member McGee. 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. R12-95: Resolution relating to First Amended and Restated Water System Revenue Bonds (DNRC Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Program); Amending authorizing resolutions adopted August 18, 1998, March 18, 2003, January 20, 2009, November 3, 2009, and February 16, 2000 and bonds.**

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve Resolution No. R12-95, seconded by Council Member Poehls. 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. R12-96: Resolution relating to First Amended and Restated Sewer System Revenue Bonds (DNRC Water Pollution Control State Revolving Loan Program); Amending authorizing resolutions adopted August 16, 2005, and December 1, 2009 and bonds.**

Motion by Council Member McGee to approve Resolution No. R12-96, seconded by Council Member Eaton. 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 November 26th Emergency Services Committee meeting has been cancelled and there will be no meeting in December. The next meeting will be on January 28th.

Council Member Mace stated that it is nice to be back and he will be out again soon.



Council Member Dickerson asked for discussion regarding making the left hand turn signal longer at the stop light on First Avenue and West Main Street.

Mayor Olson explained that it is a state traffic signal so the city will have to find out the protocol for that request.

Council Member Mountsier spoke regarding the no parking signs that need to be posted at the sports complex and by the fire hydrant there.

Mayor Olson will look into the issue.

Council Member Nelson stated that the lease task force did not meet last night, as the shooting clubs did not have the information they needed to present to the task force members. The next meeting will be on December 3rd at 6:30 p.m.

Council Member Nelson stated that the Benefits Committee will probably meet in February.

Council Member Nelson stated that the next Cemetery Commission meeting will be scheduled in January.

Council Member Eaton spoke regarding the training in Big Timber last week.

Council Member Eaton requested a discussion to clarify each council member's thoughts regarding the sunset clause in the leases at the next council workshop.

Mayor Olson attended the recent Laurel Aviation & Technology Week meeting. The event is scheduled for the first week of May 2013, and the committee is actively pursuing ideas for any type of technology. Zada Stamper is the chairman of the committee. Council members are encouraged to attend the meetings.

Mayor Olson stated that Matt Wilcox, the city's prosecuting attorney, recently submitted a letter of resignation, as he is in the Army Reserves and will be deployed for a year. Mayor Olson encouraged everyone to thank him for his service to the City of Laurel and to wish him safety in his deployment.

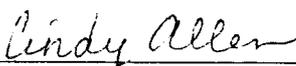
Mayor Olson wished everyone a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Nelson 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 eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

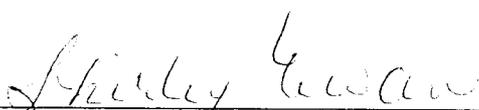
There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.


Cindy Allen, Council Secretary

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 4th day of December, 2012.


Kenneth E. Olson, Jr., Mayor

Attest:


Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer