

Everson City Council June 23, 2009

The Everson City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Pratt presiding. Council members Brouwer, Rowlson, Perry, Lautenbach and Hammond were present. Also present were Clerk Treasurer/City Administrator Davidsen and Public Works Supervisor Holt. Police Chief Ramstead, Attorney Sitkin and Planner Harper were excused. **It was moved by Councilmember Perry to approve the minutes of June 9, 2009 Council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Brouwer. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION- None

NEW BUSINESS- Public Forum-Whatcom Water Alliance- Councilmember Perry reviewed the information sent out in the Council packet. **It was moved by Councilmember Brouwer to sign the MOU with the Whatcom Water Alliance, seconded by Councilmember Hammond. Motion carried with 4 members in favor, one opposed.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- Workforce contract-update- Attorney Sitkin sent a memo regarding the contract. The City's insurance will cover any accidents caused by the interns while they are working for the City.

PUBLIC HEARING- None

COMMITTEE REPORT- Public Properties- Councilmember Hammond reported the committee discussed the VFG for the pumps at the sewer station. Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator Van Iderstine has found rebates through PSE getting a \$6,000 rebate if the City spends \$16,000 to replace the small pumps. The City could also spend \$25,000 to replace the large pumps and get a rebate of \$18,000. The Council already approved spending the \$16,000 on replacing the small pumps and if the Council approves another \$1,954.00 for pump replacement the large pumps could also be replaced. This would be a \$9,000 a year savings in energy costs. **It was moved by Councilmember Lautenbach to do a budget amendment authorizing the purchase of the three large pumps pending the approval of a PSE rebate, seconded by Councilmember Hammond. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

CLAIMS APPROVAL- The following claims were presented for approval:

Claims vouchers # 18480-18507, \$38,144.41

Councilmember Rowlson moved the claims be approved, and warrants drawn, seconded by Councilmember Lautenbach. Motion carried with unanimous approval.

OTHER ITEMS- Councilmember Rowlson asked if the City charges interdepartmental fees for admin services. This will need to be checked into.

Councilmember Rowlson asked about the land acquisition for the trail. This issue will need to be brought up in executive session when the attorney is present.

Councilmember Lautenbach mentioned the summer festival is in July. The Council will have a booth.

Councilmember Hammond would like the Police to deal with the issue of vehicles parking on the rain gardens on Mission Road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

A motion was made by Councilmember Perry to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Lautenbach. Motion carried with unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Jaleen Pratt, Mayor

Stacey Wood/ Deputy Clerk Treasurer