

NAPAVINE CITY COUNCIL

August 11, 2009 ~ 6:30 p.m.
City Hall 407 Birch Ave SW, Napavine

Regular City Council Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: The regular city council meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: The flag salute was led by Mayor Nicholas Bozarth.

ROLL CALL: Present were Councilors Ken Williams, John Sayers and Paula Sandirk. Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to excuse Councilors Dave Williams and Larry Stafford, second by Councilor Paula Sandirk, motion carried. City Attorney Dana Williams was also present.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Motion by Councilor John Sayers to approve the minutes of the previous council meeting, second by Councilor Ken Williams, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Councilor John Sayers to approve the Treasurer's report as written, second by Councilor Paula Sandirk, motion carried.

MAYOR/COUNCIL STAFF REPORTS:

Public Works Director Steve Ashley reported that he is looking into applications for Rush Rd Sewer station upgrade and a water projects, will report back next council meeting.

Clerk Treasurer Mary Todd reported Title Guaranty called today, they will be closing city hall purchase. The closing costs associated with the documents are \$4,546.61 for Title Insurance, escrow fees, etc. Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to authorize the Mayor to sign papers at Title Guaranty and approve monies from 2.5 of lease payment funds for closings costs, second by Councilor John Sayers, motion carried.

City Attorney Dana Williams reported that the councils concerns with the Lending Network loan agreement issues have been resolved with exception of the terms of the loan with a 7 year balloon payment. The loan is amortized over 20 years, the city can request in writing to renew the Lending Network loan after 7 years to pay back in 20 years.

Councilor Ken Williams questioned the big tree at the corner of Stella Street and 2nd Ave NE be trimmed to make visibility better at this intersection. Semi trucks have to pull out into the street to

see around the tree on the left from Stella St. The tree is on private party; PW Director Steve Ashley will look at the tree. Mayor Bozarth will talk to the property owner regarding the safety issues. **Mayor Nicholas Bozarth** reported the Chief Position is under the current civil service rules. Only a few candidates applied, two candidates did not successfully pass the testing process. The civil service rules call for an eligibility list of the top three candidates to be certified. No certified list of three is available, questioned in rules can be suspended. Councilor Ken Williams stated the city cannot afford to do the assessment center testing again. City Attorney Dana Williams will review the civil service rules and report back at the next meeting.

CITIZEN BUSINESS:

Jim Haslett, 222 Maple Ave NW, if city has only two officers, disband civil service commission and council appoint a panel to interview candidates for the chief position.

Donald Tardiff, 315 SE Valleyview, Chehalis, is the successful candidate and asks the city council and Mayor considers an interim-chief position while going through the process to hire a chief. He wrote a \$10,000 grant and the city received the grant. He is very interested in being in Napavine.

Todd Meikle – he received the termination letter from the city on the amphitheater lease. Asked the city extend his lease to 2010, has had a hard time communicating with the city in the past. He is interested in developing a committee to move forward with a non-profit organization to operate the venue between now and January 1st, which he discussed earlier with the Mayor. Meikle stated that he has never been contacted by Funtime Festival for a blue grass concert and a movie night for Funtime. The insurance for the amphitheater is with AG Insurance and should have the policy within the next 10 days. The lease payment is due September 1st and will not be a problem. The lease will terminate in the next 90 days. All assets on the property belong to him. Attorney Williams suggest appointing a person to work with the lessee. Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to appoint Mayor Bozarth as the lead person to negotiate with Todd Meikle to reassess the lease agreement within fourteen (14) days, second by Councilor Paula Sandirk, motion carried.

Jack Tipping, 2102 Highway 508, addressed the council and presented a copy of an ordinance from the city of Lakewood regarding illegal immigrants. E-Verify ordinance with homeland security to detect social security numbers and the illegal immigrants have the proper documents to work in the US. Mr. Tipping read statistics regarding illegal immigrants. Request a copy to the city clerk and city attorney to review the ordinance.

SETTING OF AGENDA: Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to set agenda as written, second by Councilor John Sayers, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

LENDING NETWORK: Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to authorize Lending Network paperwork be signed with clear language in the loan agreement allowing the borrower to renew the note after 7 years to extend the payment over 20 years amortized, second by Councilor John Sayers, motion carried.

FENCING AT

COMMUNITY PARK: Steve Ashley reported that Gerry Matson could get the Arborvitae trees for \$16 each, the city needs to act within two weeks to get them or they will be gone. 60 trees is needed to plant every 2 feet apart, the cost is \$960 for the trees, fencing \$3,250, 125' of netting for \$1000 and the poles are donated by Puget Sound Energy, (arranged by Arnold Haberstroh) with a total cost of \$5,630.00 Motion by Councilor Paula Sandirk to move forward with the Arborvitae along field 2 and fence with netting along field 1 before the baseball season starts by February 28, 2010, motion amended by Councilor John Sayers to fence the south side and plant Arborvitae on the west side, Councilor Paula Sandirk 2nd the amendment, discussion, point of order called by City Attorney Dana Williams, question Councilor Ken Williams nay, Councilor John Sayers nay, Councilor Paula Sandirk aye, amendment motion failed. Vote part fence, part tree: Councilor Ken Williams nay, Councilor John Sayers nay, Councilor Paula Sandirk aye, motion failed. Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to use next year's budget to build a fence and have in place by February 28, 2010, with slats, second by Councilor John Sayers, motion carried. Question by Councilor Paula Sandirk if the fence includes the netting to stop the foul balls, the fence concept does include the netting.

NEW BUSINESS:

**LC MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL
HAZARD MITIGATION**

PLAN: Emil Pierson with city of Centralia stated the Lewis County Multi-jurisdictional plan with natural disasters is updated every five years, and need to be updated in 2010. City needs to recognize what hazards affect our facilities and the mitigation strategies. Mr. Pierson presented a flyer with future meeting dates, places and times to the city's information.

**LC INTERLOCAL
AGREEMENT:**

Public Works Director Steve Ashley presented to council the five (5) year master inter-local agreement with Lewis County for street maintenance. Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to approve the agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign, second by Councilor John Sayers, motion carried.

**HEARING BOARD
DECISION ON UGA:**

Community Development Director Steve Ashley reported the Hearing Board approved and granted the UGA. The map is in the Community Development office showing the areas approved. The Woodard Road portion, the Jorgensen behind M & M, Warren Freece, and Sovran property totaled 404 acres.

VOUCHERS:

Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to approve the vouchers, second by Councilor Paula Sandirk, motion carried.

**GOOD OF THE
ORDER:**

Public Works Director Steve Ashley reported that Gerry Graham is having trouble getting others to provide money upfront for the Rush Road water line. The contractor is asking for \$200,000 up front for materials, which the cost of material is going up next month. If he is unable to receive money upfront, the project may not move forward.

Motion by Councilor Ken Williams to adjourn, second by Councilor Paula Sandirk, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Todd
Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor

Councilor