

**GOLDENDALE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 19, 2016
7:00 PM**

Mayor Michael A Canon called to order the regular meeting of the Goldendale City Council followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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PRESENT:

Mayor Michael A Canon
Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

STAFF:

City Administrator Larry Bellamy
Clerk-Treasurer Connie Byers
Public Works Director Karl Enyeart
Fire Chief Noah Halm
Police Chief Reggie Bartkowski

ABSENT:

Council Member John Sullivan

It was moved by Council Member Guy Theriault, seconded by Council Member Gary Hocter, to excuse John Sullivan from the meeting.

7:00:30 PM

AYES:

Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS:

None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Council Member Guy Theriault, seconded by Council Member Gary Hocter, to approve the agenda and consent agenda.

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AYES:

Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hoctor
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS:

None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Noah Halm, Fire Chief gave an update on the Fire Department. We are at 115 calls this year. We had a lot more medical calls this year.

Karl Enyeart, Public Works Director gave an update on the Public Works Crew. The crew is working hard on the snow removal. We know that it's hard on the public and hard on us when it comes to snow removal. We do appreciate that the public does not push the snow back into the street. The idea of snow removal is to keep the streets clear.

Reggie Bartkowski, Police Chief, gave an update on the Police Department. We now have a certified firearms instructor with the Police Department. Michael Stelljes just graduating from Fire Arms Instructor School and in January we are sending Officer Shelton to Defensive Tactics School. Chief Bartkowski updated the council on a few calls that they have received.

Reggie then updated the council on the Animal Shelter and DOGS of the Gorge. There are two issues that question whether to renew the contract with the DOGS of the Gorge. The first is that the shelter is in need of repair. The other is that Lisa Mabrey, DOGS founder, has a current criminal case involving charges of theft and trespassing. The City of Goldendale would like to rebuild the trust that we have had. I recommend to the council to extend the contract with DOGS of the Gorge for one year. The city would like to partner with other law enforcement agencies, veterinary clinics and DOGS of the Gorge to find a permanent solution to county control services.

Lisa publicly apologized for her behavior and asked to rebuild her trust with the city and county.

Carl Conroy, Mid Columbia Vet Clinic stated that he would like to see long term solution. I would like to get a committee together that would work toward that goal.

It was moved by Council Member Gary Hoctor, seconded by Council Member Guy Theriault to extend the contract, if we need to put Doctor Conroy name that is fine, you guys can work that out and to extend the contract past the three days in January, and to form the committee.

Michael Skillerm, Eylanna James, Danielle Olson, Sue Eoff and Loraine Reynolds all spoke about issues with the animal shelter.

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AYES: Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS: None.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Municipal Employees Union Contract for 2017

Larry stated that he recommends the approval of the contract.

It was moved by Council Member Gary Hocter, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to authorize the Mayor to execute the 2017 – 2020 collective bargaining agreement with Washington State Council of County and City Employees representing our municipal employees.

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AYES: Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS: None.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

Agreement for the Janitorial Service

Larry explained that this is an extension of the existing agreement or one year with no changes.

It was moved by Council Member Guy Theriault, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement for janitorial services between the City of Goldendale and Wind River Office Cleaning.

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AYES: Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault

Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS: None.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

Vacation Carry Over

Mayor Canon explained the need for the vacation carry over.

It was moved by Council Member Gary Hocter, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to approve the request to carry over additional vacation balance hours over and above the 240 hours for Larry Bellamy in the amount of 40 hours.

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AYES: Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS: None.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS

Personal Manual Changes

Larry explained the need for the changes to the personal manual changes.

It was moved by Council Member Guy Theriault, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to adopt resolution no. 665 adopting a revised chapter 5 compensation to the personnel policy manual.

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AYES: Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS: None.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

Scrap Iron Surplus

Karl explained the need to surplus the scrap iron.

It was moved by Council Member Gary Hoctor, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to accept resolution no. 666 declaring certain personal property surplus and authorizing its sale.

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AYES:

Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hoctor
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS:

None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

Surplus Simcoe Property

Larry explained the need for the surplus for the Simcoe Property.

It was moved by Council Member Guy Theriault, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to accept resolution no. 667 authorizing the Mayor to execute and amendment to donation agreement, declaring the real property surplus and authorizing its deposition.

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AYES:

Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hoctor
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS:

None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

ORDINANCES

Third Quarter Budget Amendment for 2016

Larry explained the need for the third quarter amendment.

It was moved by Council Member Gary Hoctor, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to adopt Ordinance No. 1467 authorizing changes to the 2016 budget document and to waive the second reading.

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AYES:

Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS:

None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

2017 Budget

Larry explained that after three months of work, we are ready to adopt the 2017 budget.

It was moved by Council Member Gary Hocter, seconded by Council Member Carmen Knopes, to adopt Ordinance No. 1468 adopting the budget for the City of Goldendale, Washington for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

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AYES:

Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hocter
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS:

None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR

One by one the council wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Carmen thanked the Public Works Crew for a great job plowing our streets.

Andy asked that people please talk to City Hall or Council Members before posting false information on Facebook.

Mayor Canon commented on the positive cooperation that happened today.

Larry thanked the council for all the time you put in, especially those who put in time at the committee level.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Terry Luth commented about the people who were here for one part of the meeting and then left. I wish people would stay. I think it was disrespectful for people to leave after being heard.

Ken McKune had questions about the old nursing home.

Lisa Maybre stated, regarding Facebook, have people call me. I wasn't the one that wrote on Facebook. It was probably one of my volunteers. I would gladly take calls to stop the rumor mill.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Council Member Guy Theriault, seconded by Council Member Andy Halm, to adjourn the meeting.

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AYES:

Council Member Andy Halm
Council Member Gary Hctor
Council Member Guy Theriault
Council Member Carmen Knopes
Council Member Lucille Bevis
Council Member Shannon Middleton

NAYS:

None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

Michael A Canon, Mayor

Connie Byers, Clerk-Treasurer