

ORTING CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 30, 2010

Mayor Cheryl Temple called the meeting to order with the flag salute at 7:00 pm in the Orting Public Safety Building. Roll call found in attendance Councilmembers Stanley Holland, Tyler Coughlin, Nicola McDonald, Joachim Pestinger, David Inge, Guy S. Colorossi, Scott Drennen and Ex-Officio Officer Shaun Mahoney.

ATTENDANCE:

City Employees	City Administrator Mark Bethune, Administrative Assistant Roxanne Pollard, Cashier Margaret O'Harra, Police Chief Bill Drake, Building Official Ken Wolfe.
Professional Representatives	Kenyon Disend Attorney Chris Bacha, Parametrix Engineer Dave Roberts, Orting Valley Fire and Rescue Chief Paul Webb.
Visitors (signed in)	Shirley Sigafos, J. Burges.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Minutes of June 5, 2010.
- B. Minutes of June 9, 2010.
- C. Minutes of June 16, 2010.
- D. Approval of Claims Warrants No. 15775 through No. 15845 in the amount of \$225,028.69 (Warrant No. 15788 voided) and Payroll Warrants No. 19463 through No. 19507 in the amount of \$85,159.23.

Councilmember Colorossi moved to approve the Consent Agenda as prepared with the exception of Warrant No 15789. Councilmember Drennen d seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Claims Warrant No. 15789: Chevy Tahoe Purchase	Councilmember Colorossi requested that Claims Warrant No. 15789 for the purchase of Chevy Tahoe be discussed by the Council separate from the Consent Agenda.
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The Warrant was in the amount of \$21,601.50 for the purchase of a 2007 Chevy Tahoe to be used by the Police Department for commercial vehicle enforcement.

Councilmember Colorossi questioned why a new vehicle was purchase without surplusung an older vehicle. He also asked why the Council was not notified before the purchase was made.

Police Chief Drake reported that the vehicle was purchased because a grant will cover \$10,000 of price. The Public Safety Committee was

informed of the purchase but the idea was initially abandon because a vehicle was not available. A new vehicle became available and the City moved to purchase it.

Councilmember Drennen asked that in the future the Council be informed of these purchases before they appear in the Warrants for approval.

Councilmember Colorossi moved to approve Claims Warrant No. 15789 as prepared. Councilmember Pestinger seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION:

Introduction of New Employees

Police Chief Drake introduced new Police Clerk Kristin Swanson. Mrs. Swanson replaces part-time Police Clerk Kim Kainoa, who has taken full-time employment in the Orting Municipal Court.

Chief Drake also reported that the City has a new full-time Police Officer, James Schlotzhauer. Officer Schlotzhauer was formerly a reserve police officer.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pierce Transit Small Cities Group Update

Councilmember Pestinger reported that a group of small cities will meet again on either July 8 or July 15 to discuss Pierce Transit Services.

Trail and Intersection Safety

Councilmember Holland reported that the Trail and Intersection Safety Committee recently had a meeting. The group is very close to having a final recommendation for the Council. They will meet again in three weeks to finalize their proposal.

NEW BUSINESS:

North End Reservoir Construction Services Scope and Budget

Councilmember Drennen moved to table the North End Reservoir Construction Services Scope and Budget to the Utility and Technology Committee to review and make a recommendation to the Council on July 14. Councilmember Colorossi seconded motion and it carried by a vote of 6 to 0. Councilmember Pestinger abstained from voting.

Ordinance 885: Traffic School

Police Chief Drake reported that the Traffic School Ordinance will provide a diversionary means for individuals to request a multi-hour one day traffic safety course in lieu of appearing in Orting Municipal Court. It provides relief to the court for minor traffic infractions, by providing a means for an alternate course of action than that of paying court fines. This safety course administration will be self supporting in that a fee of \$200.00 will be charges to cover all cost associated with the course to include overtime pay to the instructing officers.

~~This course allows the violator of minor traffic infractions to choose~~

~~an alternate means to remedy traffic violations without having to appear in court.~~ The prosecutor will coordinate with the police department to issue guidelines on what traffic infractions will be eligible for attending this traffic safety course.

Councilmember Holland moved to adopt Ordinance 885, an ordinance of the City of Orting, Washington, relating to the traffic code, authorizing a traffic school to be administered by the City of Orting Police Department, establishing a fee to recover costs of administration, creating a new chapter under title 7 of the Orting Municipal Code providing for severability; and establishing an effective date. Councilmember Pestinger seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Updated Vision Statement The Council reviewed the updated Vision statement and made a few more suggestions for changes. The Vision statement will be discussed again on July 14.

Catch Basin Cleaning Bid Award The Phase II NPDES Stormwater Permit requires the City to have its storm lines and catch basins cleaned every five years. In 2009, most of the City storm system was cleaned. This year storm systems in Rivers Edge, Village Green and Whitehawk need to be cleaned. The cleaning plan will then be done until 2013.

Councilmember Drennen moved to issue a Notice of Award and a Notice to Proceed to Pacific Concrete Services for the Catch Basin Cleaning project in the amount of \$13,469.04 plus disposal costs. Councilmember Inge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

STANDING AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Councilmember Colorossi reported that he attended the audit exit interview today and the City has received another clean audit.

Community Development Councilmember Inge reported that at the last Community Development meeting they discussed branding for the City of Orting.

Governmental Affairs Councilmember Pestinger reported that Bob Drewell of the Puget Sound Regional Council would to attend a future Council Meeting.

Public Safety Councilmember Holland reported that letters of interest for the new Orting Valley Fire and Rescue Commissioner positions are due July 2 at 4:00 pm. The Commissioners will appoint the new commissioners on July 20 and August 3.

Transportation Councilmember Pestinger reported that two citizens came to their last meeting to complain about motor homes being parked on City streets and people living in them. They also reported that there used to be signage at the Intersection of Washington Avenue and Bridge Street that indicated which cars have the right of way, they would like to see that signage return to make the intersection easier to navigate.

Bridge for Kids

Councilmember Drennen reported that the steering committee has been working with the Washington State Department of Transportation to find a bridge design that WSDOT would be willing to maintain.

ADJOURN:

Councilmember Holland moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm. Councilmember Inge seconded the motion and it carried.

ATTEST:

City Administrator Mark Bethune

Mayor Cheryl M. Temple