



**Regular Council Meeting -7:00 p.m.
February 19, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Paul Dennis presided.

FLAG SALUTE:

COUNCIL:

Present: Anderson, Chaney, Dietzman, Gerde, Higgins and Hogan.

Excused: Smith.

STAFF MEMBERS: Brachmann, Copsey, Durgin, Halverson, Lackey and MacPherson.

PRESS: None present.

CONSENT AGENDA:

It was moved by Council member Gerde, seconded by Council member Higgins to approve the Consent Agenda of February 19, 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

- a. Approve minutes of the meeting of the February 4, 2008, Camas City Council Meeting and the work session minutes of February 4, 2008.
- b. Approve claim checks numbered 6014-6160 in the amount of \$1,050,625.55 as approved by the Finance Committee.
- c. Authorize Pay Estimate #1 for Project SS-510, 2007 Invasive Species Maintenance & Wetland Plantings (NW Lake Road & NW Parker Street), to Brant Construction, Inc., in the amount of (\$46,141.24) forty-six thousand one hundred forty-one dollars and twenty-four cents.
- d. Authorize release of retainage for Project SS-485, 2006 Lake Road Wetland Invasive Species Maintenance, to Brant Construction, Inc., in the amount of (\$2,947.75) two thousand nine hundred forty-seven dollars and seventy-five cents.
- e. Authorize Pay Estimate #6 for WS-636A, Well #13 Improvements, to Rotschy, Inc., in the amount of (\$89,714.65) eighty-nine thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars and sixty-five cents.

- f. Authorize Mayor to sign Inter-local Agreement between the City of Camas and the City of Battle Ground for continuity of command in a police emergency.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Public:

Linda Scharpf, 20119 SE 20th St., Camas, WA:

Scharpf stated that her property was recently annexed and expressed her concerns regarding safety, livability changes due to the annexation and the communication process involved. Scharpf encouraged Council to provide better communication about the annexation process in the future.

Mayor, Joan Durgin - Finance Director, Monte Brachmann - Public Works Director, and Higgins addressed each of her concerns.

Ken Hadley, 4011 F Circle, Washougal, WA:

Hadley stated that he has properties in the North Urban Growth Area (NUGA). Hadley asked if properties on the East side of the NUGA would need to be part of the development agreement if the owners request annexation. Mayor responded that development agreements would be at Council's discretion.

There was further discussion on development agreements.

Hadley asked and Mayor responded that in order to be annexed the property must be adjacent to City limits. Mayor explained the annexation petition process.

There was further discussion regarding the properties surrounding the proposed annexation area and the process involved to become annexed into the City.

Staff:

PUBLIC WORKS:

Olson Engineering Contract Amendment:

Brachmann reported that a contract amendment for Olson Engineering will be on the March 3rd consent agenda. Brachmann gave a brief overview on the purpose of the contract.

Miscellaneous:

Brachmann stated that a bid award for testing the fire suppression systems in all City facilities will be on the March 3rd consent agenda.

The co-mingle recycling pilot project has been extended through December 2008. Brachmann noted that discussion with Waste Connections, Inc. will begin in March to incorporate the entire city into this program.

Brachmann gave an overview of the water service request on the Myers property. Brachmann asked Council if they had any objections to this request. Council has no objections.

FINANCE:

EMS Fund Annual Loan:

Durgin stated that a resolution for an inter fund loan is on the agenda for Council's consideration. Durgin explained the purpose of this resolution.

Accounting Services Contract:

Durgin reported that a professional services contract with Theresa Johnson, CPA, will be on the March 3rd Council meeting agenda. Johnson will be assisting the finance department with some financial reporting due to an upcoming audit and staff shortage. Durgin also noted that the retired finance director from C-Tran has volunteered to assist as well.

ADMINISTRATION:

Miscellaneous and Scheduling:

Lloyd Halverson, City Administrator, reported that the Public Works Trust Fund (PWTF) pre-construction loan application for infrastructure in the west portion of Camas has been accepted. A decision should be forthcoming on March 4th.

Halverson stated that the Police Chief recruitment is on track and gave a brief update on the applications received and the interview process.

Further discussion followed regarding the interview panel and the schedule of events.

Halverson reported that a contract with the PWTF will be on the consent agenda for March 3rd. The contract is for the construction loan of the wastewater treatment plant-phase II.

Halverson gave background on a transfer of City owned openspace that was completed last fall. Staff recommends that a public hearing

be held on any proposed transfer of City owned openspace in the future. Council indicated agreement. An ordinance will be the follow-up.

FIRE/EMS:

Inter-Local Agreement for Fit-Test Equipment:

Leo Leon, Fire Chief, gave an overview of the inter-local agreement to purchase a fit-test machine.

Leon noted that tests were administered last week for the new medic position to be filled in April. Leon gave a brief update on the status.

Council:

Dietzman commented that C-Tran is interested in making a presentation to Council. Mayor asked Halverson to follow up on scheduling this matter.

Chaney reported that he attended a Clark County Emergency Services Agency (CRESA) board meeting last week. Bill Baron, County Administrator, brought up a concern related to the 1/10th of 1% levy that is being voted on in May. Chaney relayed Baron's concern. Baron asked the participants to encourage the police and fire public safety officials to help promote this levy as allowed by the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

Mayor asked and Chaney responded that more information could be attained through Tom Griffith at CRESA.

Anderson commented that at the Planning Conference there was discussion regarding subsets within the code compliance and asked as to the progress on these items.

Shawn MacPherson, City Attorney, responded that the goal on the Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance is May. The signage issue should be brought back to Council in the fall of 2008. MacPherson noted that the stormwater pond maintenance issue will be handled through the city attorney's office.

Anderson stated that Marie Page from UCAN should be kept informed of the progress. Anderson commented that the UCAN group is looking for ideas to help revitalize the committee. Mayor suggested bringing this topic back to a workshop for further discussion.

MAYOR:

Announcements:

There were no announcements.

Mayor stated that he received an e-mail from Fisher Investments regarding the property that they are looking at in Camas. This property will not be sufficient to allow for current plans and future expansion. Other properties have been identified to ensure that they will have sufficient space to build in the future. Fisher Investments has requested that Council consider reopening the Comprehensive Plan amendment process for the month of March to allow them to submit an application.

Gerde stated that she did not see a problem with reopening the Comprehensive Plan if legally feasible. Mayor responded that it would be open to everyone. Council agreed.

FINANCE:

Resolution No. 1126:

Joan Durgin, Finance Director, explained the purpose of Resolution 1126.

It was moved by Dietzman, seconded by Hogan that Resolution 1126 authorizing the Emergency Rescue Fund to borrow up to \$200,000 from the Firemen's Pension Fund, and providing for the repayment of said loan by December 31, 2008, with interest on the declining balance of 3.5% per annum be read by title only. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Anderson that Resolution 1126 be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION:

Rhods Property

Acquisition:

Halverson gave an overview of the Rhods property acquisition. Halverson expressed his appreciation to Public Works for their creative and helpful identification of this property as a potential site for utility pump stations. Halverson noted other potential uses of this property.

Gerde asked if there were any conditions in the contract that would allow the residents to remain on the premises for a period of time. Halverson responded that there is a 60 day provision.

Halverson noted that the appraisal was within a 1% variance of the purchase price.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Anderson to authorize the Mayor to sign the real estate purchase and sales agreement for the Rhods property. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk