

Everson City Council January 27, 2009

The Everson City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Pratt presiding. Council members Rowlson, Perry, Lautenbach and Hammond were present. Also present were, Clerk Treasurer/City Administrator Davidsen, Public Works Supervisor Holt, Planner Harper and City Attorney Loise. Police Chief Ramstead was excused. **It was moved by Councilmember Perry to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2009 Council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Hammond. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION- Mary Dumas- Mary spoke about the information she provided the Council on the economic development strategy.

Chamber/Lions-Downtown Flags- Tony Kelly spoke about the need for assistance in putting flags out year round in Everson. The Chamber and the Lions would like to work with the city on ideas to keep the flags out or to get help to get the flags out on holidays.

NEW BUSINESS- Council position applicants- **Marie Wilk-** Marie spoke to the Council about her qualifications and past experience which prepared her to be a Council member.

Bill Brouwer- Bill spoke to the Council about his experience and qualifications preparing him for the Council position.

It was moved by Councilmember Rowlson to appoint Bill Brouwer to the Everson City Council position #3, seconded by Council member Lautenbach. Motion carried with unanimous approval. Councilmember Brouwer was given his oath of office and seated at the Council table.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- Tiger-Van Boven annexation- Council member Lautenbach was excused due to a conflict of interest. Planner Harper reviewed the information sent out in the Council packet. **It was moved by Councilmember Rowlson to direct the City of Everson attorney to prepare a draft resolution that once passed would allow the Tiger-Van Boven annexation to move forward to the boundary review board, seconded by Councilmember Hammond. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

Mary Dumas- Economic Development- **It was moved by Councilmember Rowlson to direct staff to work with Mary Dumas of Dumas and associates to enter into an agreement to work on the economic development strategic work plan for facilitation services for the City of Everson up to the amount of \$4,800 plus expenses, seconded by Councilmember Perry. Motion carried with four members in favor, one opposed.**

PUBLIC HEARING- None

COMMITTEE REPORT- Public Properties- Councilmember Hammond reported on the economic stimulus list. The City of Everson has 3 projects on the list. Park Drive is #6 on the list, #12 is Everson Road; Robinson Street to Kale Street chip seal, #15 is North Washington Street crack seal. Park Drive is not going to qualify as it is not a main arterial. Councilmember Hammond spoke about the community garden and waiving of the water connection fees. There is some concern as to whether the City of Everson can waive those fees without it being considered a gifting of public funds. Research is being done into this.

Councilmember Perry spoke on the manganese treatment facility- Public works will be attending training next week for facility operations. The new facility is 80% with a finish date of February 27, 2009.

CLAIMS APPROVAL- The following claims were presented for approval:

Claims vouchers #18080-18111, \$151,592.45

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

OTHER ITEMS- 2009 Homeless connect proclamation- Mayor Pratt reviewed the information sent out in the Council packet.

Growth Management UGA review- Planner Harper reviewed the information sent out in the Council packet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- Council went in to executive session at 8:49 pm regarding union negotiations. Council resumed regular Council at 9:13pm

A motion was made by Councilmember Hammond to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Brouwer. Motion carried with unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.