

Everson City Council September 9, 2008

The Everson City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Jaleen Pratt presiding. Council members Perry, Rowlson, Lautenbach and Laird were present. Also present were, Clerk Treasurer/City Administrator Debbie Davidsen, City Attorney Sitkin, Police Chief Erik Ramstead and Public Works Supervisor Rick Holt. Planner Harper and Councilmember Hammond were excused. **It was moved by Councilmember Rowlson to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2008 Council meeting with corrections, seconded by Councilmember Perry. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION- Kara Flora- Kara stated she was still very concerned about the Mission Rd. improvements. She had some questions regarding the DOE guidelines. Public Works Supervisor Holt stated the City of Everson is following those guidelines along with the guidelines for the well head protection program. Mayor Pratt stated the City has gotten some cost estimates and they are still working on options. This will be discussed at the next Public Properties committee meeting.

The audience was also concerned with maintenance. They asked who would be in charge of this. Public Works Supervisor Holt stated the City of Everson staff will be maintaining it unless the homeowners want to do the maintenance in front of their homes.

Barbara Frost- Barbara is concerned with the safety issues on Mission Rd. with rain gardens. Councilmember Perry stated any changes being made to this project will take a lot of planning. The City of Everson is working on options for changes to the project but it will take some time.

NEW BUSINESS- Recommend bid award for manganese treatment facility- Public Works Supervisor Holt stated upon Wilson Engineering's recommendation he would like to recommend the Council award the bid and enter into contract with Larry Brown Construction in the amount of \$444,911.54. **It was moved by Councilmember Lautenbach to enter into contract with Larry Brown Construction for the amount of \$444,911.54 for the manganese treatment facility project, seconded by Councilmember Laird. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- Ordinance #680- DV assessment- **It was moved by Councilmember Rowlson to adopt ordinance #680, seconded by Councilmember Lautenbach. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

Senior Contract- **It was moved by Councilmember Lautenbach to approve the Mayor to sign the Everson Senior Center license agreement, seconded by Councilmember Perry. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

PUBLIC HEARING- None

COMMITTEE REPORT- Finance Committee- Councilmember Lautenbach stated we have collected \$32,728.75 in LID payments from the re-calculation process. Councilmember Lautenbach also stated Debbie and Evelyn are now passport certified and the City of Everson will be able to do passports soon. The 2008 Nooksack police contract is expiring at the end of 2008; there will be some discussion on this contract at the budget retreat. Chief Ramstead mentioned there may be a grant available for equipment to make police departments more operable with Federal agencies.

Councilmember Lautenbach stated there was a question whether the fees for the manganese treatment facility project should be taken out of the general fund professional services or the water fund professional services. Debbie will be looking into this.

2008 pictometry imagery interlocal agreement- **It was moved by Councilmember Laird to approve the pictometry imagery interlocal agreement, seconded by Councilmember Rowlson. Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

CLAIMS APPROVAL- The following claims were presented for approval:

Claims vouchers # 17719-17754, \$47,953.62

Payroll vouchers # 10897-10945, \$90,389.67

Councilmember Rowlson moved the claims be approved, and warrants drawn, seconded by Councilmember Laird, motion carried with unanimous approval.

OTHER ITEMS- None

EXECUTIVE SESSION- Council went in to executive session at 8:19 pm. Council resumed regular Council at 8:53 pm with no action taken.

A motion was made by Councilmember Rowson to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Perry. Motion carried with unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Jaleen Pratt, Mayor

Stacey Wood/ Deputy Clerk Treasurer