

CITY OF COLSTRIP
CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
July 11, 2008

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance City Clerk/Treasurer Richards called the roll. The following were:

Present: Mayor John Williams, Councilpersons Dan Becker, Betty Jo Ellison, Rick Harbin and Susan Hert

Also Present: Public Works Supervisor John Bleth, Police Sergeant Cory Hert, and City Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Richards

Consent Agenda:

Councilperson Ellison moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilperson Hert seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried with all in favor.

- a. Claims Roster 7/03/08

Departmental Reports:

Information from departments was included in council's packets. Council had no questions for department heads present.

Public Comment and Participation:

The Public Hearing for a variance at Lot 1 of Block 1, Stillwater Subdivision (3 Wagoneer Drive) was opened at 12:12 p.m. No comments or objections from the public were received. The hearing was closed at 12:13 p.m.

Councilperson Hert moved to approve a Variance to setback requirements at Lot 1 of Block 1, Stillwater Subdivision (3 Wagoneer Drive) to allow placement of storage buildings two feet from the fence. Councilperson Ellison seconded the motion. Discussion: Councilperson Harbin asked if this storage facility is close to the previously proposed facility near the cemetery entrance that created numerous objections. Councilperson Becker stated it is quite a ways down the street. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Williams addressed the City Council regarding the numerous fireworks complaints received. The Public Safety Committee will meet to discuss this issue on July 16, 2008 at noon at City Hall.

Mayor Williams and Attorney Ryder met with Chief Reinlasoder regarding his claim that previous government employment should be considered in accruing vacation leave. Mayor Williams will submit a report to the City Council before the next regular meeting.

The Budget Committee will meet on July 15, 2008 at noon at City Hall to discuss the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year Budget.

Unfinished Business:

Councilperson Becker moved to reject the bids received for the UV Disinfection System Equipment Installation due to cost. Councilperson Ellison seconded the motion. Discussion: Public Works Supervisor Bleth is working on a cheaper way to have the equipment installed. Motion carried with all in favor.

New Business:

Councilperson Harbin moved to approve soliciting Request for Qualifications for Engineering/Architectural Services for an Elderly Care Facility. Councilperson Ellison seconded the motion. Discussion: Mayor Williams explained since the city was the sponsor of the Coal Board Grant to pay for these services, the city must follow its procedures and handle the contract. The Coal Board awarded \$120,000 to the Community Care Task Force. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Michelle Richards, City Clerk/Treasurer