

City Council Meeting January 12, 2010

Present: Mayor John Williams, Council Members Dan Becker, Rick Harbin, Evan Stewart, and Tom Jankowski

Also Present: City Attorney Gary Ryder, Police Chief Larry Reinlasoder, Fire Chief Ryan Reid, Public Works Supervisor John Bleth, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector Jan Morgan, and Deputy Clerk Paula Peplow

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Deputy Clerk Peplow called the Roll Call.

Mayor Williams administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Elect Tom Jankowski.

Consent Agenda:

Council Member Becker moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Stewart seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried with all in favor.

- a. Minutes of December 22, 2009 Regular Meeting
- b. Claims Roster January 8, 2010

Departmental Reports:

Department Reports were given by Police Chief Reinlasoder, Fire Chief Reid, Attorney Ryder, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector Morgan, and Public Works Supervisor Bleth in addition to written reports provided in Council's packets.

Mayor Williams congratulated Council Member Stewart on the birth of their second daughter on January 11th.

Public Comment and Participation: None

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Williams stated the City is a member of Eastern Plains Resource Conservation and Development District with a yearly membership of \$125. Jim Atchison with Southeastern Montana Development will continue to represent the City.

The Coal Board will meet in Billings on Friday, January 22, 2010. The Colstrip Volunteer Fire Department has a request into the Coal Board for \$23,244.65 on a

Compressed Air Foam System. The Coal Board has requests for \$1.4 million for this meeting and the biennium budget which ends in 2011 is \$1.6 million.

Mayor Williams and Council Member Stewart attended MMIA's Regional Training in Miles City on January 6th. Mayor Williams copied information from the meeting for the other Council members.

Mayor Williams answered Council Member Harbin's question regarding the Raw Water Transportation Agreement with PPL. There has been no contact regarding an increase at this time.

New Business:

Mayor Williams opened nominations for Council President. Council Member Stewart nominated Rick Harbin for Council President. Council Member Becker seconded. Mayor Williams asked if there were any other nominations. No other nominations were offered. Mayor Williams closed the nominations. Council Members Stewart, Jankowski, and Becker voted in favor. Council Member Harbin abstained. Motion carried.

The following Council Committee Assignments were made:

- Budget/Finance Committee – Council Members Stewart & Becker
- City/County Planning Board – Council Member Harbin
- Personnel Committee – Council Members Jankowski & Stewart
- Public Safety Committee – Council Members Harbin & Becker
- Public Works Committee – Council Members Stewart & Jankowski
- Planning Board Committee – Council Member Harbin
- Tree Board – Council Member Becker
- Schoolhouse History & Art Center – Council Member Stewart
- Zoning Commission – Council Member Stewart

Council Member Stewart moved to continue the Legal Services Contract with City Attorney Ryder at the current rate and conditions for two years. Council Member Becker seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried with a vote 3 to 1. Council Member Harbin voted no.

Council Member Stewart moved to approve Resolution 2010-R01 concerning surplus and authorizing disposal of a 2003 Ford Crown Victoria police vehicle. Council Member Jankowski seconded. Discussion: Council Member Becker asked if there were two vehicles, however; Mayor Williams stated one vehicle will be transferred to the fire department. Mayor Williams also stated the City has an offer from the Wolf Point Police Department for \$8,000. Council Member Becker asked if the police department had a backup vehicle. Police Chief Reinlasoder stated there are six vehicles for six officers. Council Member Stewart asked if there was any other interest in the surplus vehicle. Mayor Williams stated no. Motion carried with all in favor.

Council Member Harbin moved to approve the sale of the 2003 Ford Crown Victoria to the City of Wolf Point contingent upon the City's new vehicles are in fleet and in service. Council Member Becker seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor Williams reported the City has not received any bids on the Senior van/bus. Attorney Ryder will review the statute. The City will be able to make contacts with vendors to obtain prices on a van/bus. The Mayor stated the City would try to get partial funding from the Coal Board and a tentative agreement has been reached with Rosebud County, CPRD, and the Colstrip Medical Center for assistance with the van/bus purchase. Council Member Jankowski stated having an AED kit on the van/bus would be a great asset.

The House Numbering Ordinance will have the 1st reading at the January 26, 2010 Council meeting. Attorney Ryder has supplemental information to add to this ordinance for Council's review.

Administrative Matter: None

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Paula Peplow, Deputy Clerk