

CITY OF COLSTRIP
CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
December 20, 2007

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

Present: Mayor John Williams, Councilpersons Betty Jo Ellison and Susan Hert

Absent: Councilpersons Rick Harbin and Gale Palmer

Also Present: Public Works Supervisor John Bleth, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector Jan Morgan, Police Chief Larry Reinlasoder and City Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Richards

Consent Agenda:

Councilperson Ellison moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilperson Hert seconded the motion. Discussion: Mayor Williams would like the minutes clarified regarding the driveways of the Olive Drive Construction Project. Councilperson Hert moved to amend the motion to insert “ramp portion” of the driveways in the December 11, 2007 minutes. Councilperson Ellison seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor. Vote on the motion as amended carried with all in favor.

- a. Minutes of 12/11/07 Regular Meeting
- b. Claims Roster 12/17/07
- c. November Treasurer’s Report

Departmental Reports:

In addition to written information included in council’s packets City Clerk/Treasurer Richards, Public Works Supervisor Bleth, Police Chief Reinlasoder, and Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer/ Building Inspector Morgan gave departmental reports.

Public Comment and Participation:

Jim Atchison, member of the Colstrip Community Care Task Force, received notification from the Rosebud County Commissioners that they have committed up to 50% of the remaining \$6,000 needed to fund a Feasibility Study for an Assisted Living Facility in Colstrip. Mr.

Atchison requested the City Council consider providing the match fund difference for the feasibility study.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Williams and Public Works Supervisor Bleth discussed the driveway issue with the project engineers, Morrison Maierle. The city wants the contractor to come up with a plan to remedy the situation. Mayor Williams told the engineers the city felt they had some responsibility also because an on-site inspector was paid for by the city and did not catch the error.

Mayor Williams will be traveling to Billings tomorrow to meet with architect Durward Sobek. The bid documents are being prepared for the new City Hall.

Mayor Williams thanked everyone for all the good things that have occurred during the year and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and all the best in the new year.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Councilperson Ellison moved to approve a 2008 Urban Forestry Grant Application to the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation for Fireman's Park. Councilperson Hert seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried with all in favor.

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

Michelle Richards, City Clerk/Treasurer