

**CITY OF ROSLYN  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**January 12, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.**

Roslyn City Hall, 201 S. 1<sup>st</sup>, Roslyn, Washington

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, FLAG SALUTE, AGENDA UPDATE:**

Mayor Porter called the meeting to order at 7:03pm, led the flag salute and swore in the appointed Councilmembers then asked the Clerk – Treasurer to call roll.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Porter, Councilmember Begley, Councilmember Graham, Councilmember Scherer, Councilmember Cooke, Councilmember Januszkiewicz, Councilmember Gruber

**STAFF PRESENT:** George Martinez, Acting City Administrator; Amber Shallow, Clerk – Treasurer; Margaret King, City Attorney; Mitchell Long, Public Works Crewmember & LSP CAC Staff Liaison

**SWEARING IN OF COUNCILMEMBERS:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1.) 2009 Final Accounts Payable Checks #9929 - #9977, in the amount of \$74,814.32
- 2.) Business Licenses: Jim Luster Enterprises; The Mountain Mermaid, LLC; and Walters Superior Roofing
- 3.) **AB10-001** – Resolution #10-001 Ratifying Execution of a Contract for the Crystal Creek Headwall Repairs
- 4.) **AB10-002** – Resolution #10-002 EMS & Trauma Payment Agreement
- 5.) **AB10-003** – Resolution #10-003 Authorizing State Purchasing Agreement
- 6.) **AB10-004** – Resolution #10-004 Authorizing AWC Risk Management Services Agency Agreement

Mayor Porter read the consent agenda.

**MOTION: Councilmember Januszkiewicz MOVED to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Cooke SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 6-0.**

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: (non-agenda items)**

**INTRODUCTION:**

- 7.) **AB10-005** – Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter to KCBOC Reconvening the Water Utility Coordinating Committee. **Erin Anderson**

Mayor Porter invited Ms. Erin Anderson to give her presentation.

Ms. Anderson gave the Council a background on the Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC) which Roslyn, Cle Elum, & South Cle Elum are all part of. Ms. Anderson explained that the City of Cle Elum would like to extend its boundaries for

water service area and in order to do that the WUCC needs to reconvene to review the boundaries. However, the County Commissioners are the only ones who can reconvene the WUCC so Ms. Anderson asked the Council to request the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) to reconvene the WUCC.

Councilmember Cooke stated that he feels the City of Roslyn should be in the room to participate in the discussions and to help improve the communications and cooperation between the communities.

**MOTION: Councilmember Cooke MOVED to approve Resolution #10-005 authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter to KCBOCC. Councilmember Gruber SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 6-0.**

**8.) AB10-006 – Resolution Authorizing Roslyn Forest Firewise Project  
Mitch Long**

Mayor Porter invited Mr. Mitch Long to present this topic.

Mr. Long reported that the Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) has taken a lot of time and looked at many different options for the fuel break as part of the firewise protection plan. Mr. Matt Eberlein from the DNR found some stimulus money that will allow the City to continue and update the firewise that was done awhile back.

Mr. Eberlein stated that the proposal for this round of firewise work is to come in and refresh the work that was done in 2001 and make it a little bigger.

Councilmember Cooke asked when the work is proposed to begin, Mr. Eberlein replied that it can be laid out pretty quickly for on the ground work to begin as soon as the weather clears and the ground dries out so they don't make a muddy mess.

Mr. Eberlein informed the Council that the DNR will do all the contract administration and all funding will go through the DNR.

Councilmember Cooke asked how long the work will take and Mr. Eberlein replied that they are estimating a finish date by the end of summer pending external sources such as fires, late winters, etc.

Councilmember Gruber asked when it would go out to bid and Mr. Eberlein replied that he would like to wait to post the bidding until the property that will be managed can be accessed so all bidders could physically look at the property.

Councilmember Begley asked about the critical areas and if there were any concerns there, Mr. Long replied that the critical areas have been eliminated from this project until we have more time to study these areas. Mr. Long is currently working through the process to eventually get the critical areas done so when the next round of updating comes around the critical areas will be ready to be included.

Councilmember Begley discussed his concerns over the removal of too many snags with Mr. Long & Mr. Eberlein. Mr. Long replied that wildlife habitat is definitely a concern of this project as well as protection of private and City property and the DNR will leave as many of the safe snags as possible.

Councilmember Cooke would like to make sure the chipping is spread out better than the last time and thanked the CAC for all their hard work.

Mr. Long stated that a large map will be posted at the City Administration offices for everyone to look at.

**MOTION: Councilmember Begley MOVED to approve Resolution #10-006 authorizing the Roslyn Forest Firewise Project. Councilmember Graham SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 6-0.**

#### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:**

Mayor Porter invited Chief Ferguson to give his police report. Chief Ferguson informed the Council that he will walk through the 2009 stats at an upcoming Council meeting. Chief Ferguson also reported that the police department arrested a woman who was passing off counterfeit money; they caught a burglar in the act; and arrested a man for stolen property, illegal guns, and a couple other charges.

Councilmember Januskiewicz asked about the Old City Hall project and Mr. Martinez replied that we are still on track for going out to bid this spring.

Mayor Porter noted all the compliments from the public regarding the Public Works Crewmembers and their work on snow removal and hard work in inclement weather.

Mayor Porter invited the Councilmembers to look at the committees and decide if they would like to serve on any different or additional ones.

Councilmember Januskiewicz noticed that there were a lot of the members from the education community here tonight and would like to give them a chance to speak.

Councilmember Graham asked the snowmobilers to stay away from the sledding hill and the kids. Chief Ferguson encouraged the citizens to call the police when they see snowmobilers in an area they are not supposed to be.

#### **Mayor Porter re-opened citizen's comments:**

Mr. Matt Chase, principal for the Cle Elum - Roslyn elementary and middle schools – Mr. Chase stated that he was present to comment on the Levy and give the Council some information on it. There are 2 levy issues, the 1<sup>st</sup> is a replacement levy and the 2<sup>nd</sup> is a capital improvement levy. The current levy that is funded by the public comprises about

20% of the operating budget which goes for basic needs. 3-years ago the district asked for \$1.09/\$1,000 of assessed value and now they are requesting \$0.67/\$1,000 of assessed value to replace that original levy. Councilmember Januszkiewicz asked if this information is available to the public on a website. Mr. Chase replied that it is not on the School District's website but there is a separate website for it and a mailing will be going out to all the residents.

Mr. Richard Miller, Roslyn – Mr. Miller stated that they are visiting all the area groups to get the levy message out there. The State of WA has put a reserve requirement on the school districts and there will be a law coming about that if we don't take care of our buildings we will be very limited on future funding opportunities.

Ms. Monica Terrill, Ronald – Ms. Terrill stated that she is here on behalf of the "Vote Yes for the Levy" group and would like to encourage everyone to vote yes on both the replacement levy and the construction levy. When people think they can't afford anymore taxes I ask them to remember that the schools are our largest asset. If our schools are great it will bring more people to the area. Ms. Terrill thanked Mayor Porter and greatly appreciates her giving them the opportunity to speak.

Mr. Erik Wickwire, Roslyn – Mr. Wickwire has witnessed some really great strides that the school staff has made especially in the last three years as money gets tighter. They have really been able to stretch their resources but there are likely to be some bigger cuts to the education dollars in the future which makes these levies critical.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: RCW 42.30.110(i) – Litigation**

Mayor Porter announced at 8:25pm that the Council would adjourn into executive session to discuss litigation and it should last approximately 10 minutes with no action to be taken afterwards.

Mayor Porter called the executive session to order at **8:33pm** and closed it at **8:45pm**.

**ADJOURNMENT: 8:45pm**

**MOTION: Councilmember Cooke MOVED to adjourn the meeting.  
Councilmember Januszkiewicz SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 6-0.**

  
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Jeri B. F. Porter, Mayor

  
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Attest: Amber Shallow, Clerk - Treasurer