

**CITY OF ROSLYN**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**October 12, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.**  
109 S. 1<sup>st</sup>, Roslyn, Washington

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, FLAG SALUTE, AGENDA UPDATE: 7:01pm**

Mayor Porter called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm, led the flag salute and asked the Clerk – Treasurer to call roll.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Porter, Councilmember Begley, Councilmember Osiadacz, Councilmember Scherer, Councilmember Cooke, and Councilmember Gruber

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Spurrier

**MOTION:** Councilmember Cooke **MOVED** to excuse the absent Councilmember. Councilmember Gruber **SECONDED** the motion. The motion **PASSED 5-0.**

**STAFF:** Amber Shallow, Clerk – Treasurer; George Martinez, City Administrator; Lisa Haley, City Planner; Joe Peck, Public Works Crewmember; Margaret King, City Attorney

Mayor Porter asked Chief Ferguson if he would like to give his report:

Chief Ferguson stated that in the 20 years of his time as an officer in Upper County he has never ever seen anything like what happened this past weekend.

Chief Ferguson then reported: First of all I want to tell you what actually happened rather than what is being portrayed. Friday night we had additional officers on duty for the Roslyn Crawl, at around 11:09pm we received a call regarding an unconscious girl who was in serious trouble in the back seat of a car in the Safeway parking lot, she was transported to Ellensburg immediately, Officers continued to gather information from the friend that had driven her to this location were then made aware of a large party in Roslyn, prior to that the police had received no 911 calls about a party, noise complaints, nothing of that nature. Officers went up to the house, there are no cars parked in front of the house - all vehicles had been parked several blocks away - as officers show up, as is typical with underage parties, no one wants to answer the door so the officers just getting the sense of what's going on based on what they've previously encountered they kick the door in under exigent circumstances. As they made entry they started seeing people in varying states of consciousness throughout the house, mass chaos, high levels of intoxication, mind you there were 4 officers - we were assisted by Sheriff Deputies - officers swept the house and continued to find people. As the officers continued to sweep the house one of the officers found a male involved in a sexual act with a female in a semiconscious state who we later found out was his girlfriend. We refuse to say that this is drugs/roofies, we are waiting for the toxicology report and it may turn out to be nothing like what the media is portraying it to be. We have called on the CWU Police for help and the Kittitas County Sherriff's department to form a task force because this has completely overwhelmed our small department. The following day we received a call regarding an altercation at The Brick involving two intoxicated individuals, neither

person wants to pursue charges and they were told to go home, go on their way. One of the individuals involved, for reasons I don't want to discuss in public, just can't let this rest and went to his home in Ronald got a gun and came back to a house on Nevada which had no involvement whatsoever with the previous incident, due to circumstances that we are still working on and I don't want to discuss, pulls the gun and ends up shooting a 22 year old Roslyn man, and that gentleman is struck in the arm. Fortunately we had a State Patrolman and a County Sheriff in the area who immediately responded to the house where the individual was arrested without incident and the gun was recovered. We spent most of the night in that house conducting our investigation and recovering evidence. We know that all the individuals that were involved in the altercations Saturday night were locals who would have probably been at the bars regardless of there being an event or not so it is not fair to specifically point to the Crawl.

Councilmember Cooke stated that he would like to commend the Police Departments & the Fire Departments for their efforts on this event. Following up on the first contact with the person in the parking lot, frankly, probably saved her life and several others later on that evening so that was very important. It would have been very easy to miss that had you not followed up carefully and we really appreciate that effort.

Chief Ferguson stated that one of the things that is disturbing in this is that there were sober people in that house. Let me say first that we are talking ages from 18 to under 20 and to the best of our knowledge there were no local kids/people in that house it was predominantly all Central people. There were people that were sober, there were people that took it upon themselves to act as caretakers, they were carrying people, they were putting them on the beds, they were doing whatever they felt was appropriate to help these people but at no time did anyone of those individuals pick up a cell phone to call 911 and I would just hate to think about what would have happened if this would have gone another 15 – 20 minutes. We had a young woman of the 9 that were hospitalized that was in critical condition for 24 hours and for a long time it looked really grim.

Mayor Porter stated that she is very proud of our police department and thanked them for the wonderful job.

Ms. King asked Chief Ferguson if he would say that it is always better to call 911 than deal with the consequences of not calling. Chief Ferguson agreed and he thinks the fear or the thought process of an 18 year old is that they don't want their friend to get a MIP.

Chief Ferguson also stated that there is a lot of work ahead of us still.

Mayor Porter thanked Chief Ferguson for his time. Mayor Porter stated that she has contacted President Gaudino from CWU and it seems like we will be working together for awhile in the future and this seems to be a good learning opportunity for those in the community as well as our student body and he is all on board with sending people up here and making it known the consequences and the risks involved with drinking, drug abuse, and what the aftermath can bring, so it looks like we'll be working with Chief Ferguson and trying to make some presentations here, probably at the school, and invite the public to come and learn. Mayor Porter then read a comment from President Guadino, "thank you for all of the good work that you and your staffs are doing in

connection with this situation. From all I have been told, everyone involved has been both professional and cooperative.”

Chief Ferguson also stated that he wanted to recognize Chief Osiadacz and his team on the Roslyn Fire Department for their work.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1.) Accounts Payable Checks #- # in the amount of \$ & Payroll Checks of September 30, 2010, #7117 - #7140 in the amount of \$20,888.66
- 2.) Business Licenses: Alley Kat Creations \* T-Oz Construction, Inc. \* Central Mechanical Services \* Picture Perfect Painting Inc. \* All Seasons Heating & Air Conditioning \* Bailey Electric Inc. \* & American Environmental Construction \* B E K Construction
- 3.) Minutes: Regular Meeting of September 28, 2010
- 4.) AB10-072 – Resolution #10-032 Ratifying Authorization for the Mayors Execution of Change Order #1 for the Old City Hall/Library Renovation Project

Mayor read the consent agenda

**MOTION: Councilmember Cooke MOVED to approve the consent agenda, including Resolution #10-032. Councilmember Begley SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 5-0.**

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

Mr. Jim Boyle, Commissioner for Kittitas Water District #2 – Mr. Boyle stated that it has been three months since he submitted the contract to the Council and he hasn’t heard anything yet. Mr. Boyle encouraged the Council to speed things up as he feels there was nothing wrong with that contract.

**MOTION: Councilmember Osiadacz MOVED to reopen the minutes. Councilmember Begley SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 5-0.**

Councilmember Osiadacz stated that there was an error on page 4 under Council Concerns, “Councilmember Osiadacz stated that the reason people buy property is so they can develop and build on it” it should say “Councilmember Osiadacz stated that the reason people buy property is so they can use their property how it’s meant to be used.”

**MOTION: Councilmember Scherer MOVED to approve the amendment to the minutes. Councilmember Begley SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 5-0.**

**MOTION: Councilmember Scherer MOVED to approve the minutes as amended by Councilmember Osiadacz. Councilmember Begley SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 5-0.**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

5.) AB10-073 – Water Use Efficiency (WUE) Program  
Mayor Porter invited Mr. Joe Peck to present this item.

Mr. Peck read the agenda bill and added that he and Mr. Mitch Long both worked on this.

Councilmember Cooke stated the he knows lost & unaccounted for water has been a big issue and thanked the crew for their work to get it under control.

Mr. Peck stated that we have fixed some of the leaks we had between the plant & reservoir, and the new controls on the system are working great and we've pretty much eliminated any reservoir overflows which also helped to reduce our lost & unaccounted for numbers.

Mayor Porter **opened the public hearing at 7:25pm** and asked for public comments.

Mr. Joe Peck, Roslyn – if you look at some of the demand side measures under the law we are supposed to try to influence our customer's water usage. We think we can achieve these goals if we work on informational output such as winterization, proper lawn watering techniques. Our community has been pretty good at conserving water in the past so I don't know how much more conservation we can squeeze out. Mayor Porter liked the idea of proper winterization of the homes and thanked Mr. Peck.

Jim Boyle, Ronald – Mr. Boyle stated that Roslyn may find a decrease in water usage in the next couple of years once Ronald gets their new water tank installed. The Water District is also trying to get enough money to install radio read meters. Mayor Porter asked what the estimated water lost was & Mr. Boyle replied that it was around 1,000 gallons per day.

After receiving no further comments from the public Mayor Porter **closed the public hearing at 7:30pm.**

**FINAL READING:**

**6.) AB10-071a– Ordinance – Budget Amendment**

Mayor Porter introduced this item and informed Council that at their last meeting they passed this as a first reading only and so now it is before them for the final reading.

**MOTION: Councilmember Scherer MOVED to approve Ordinance #1065. Councilmember Cooke SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 5-0.**

**INTRODUCTION:**

**7.) AB10-074 – Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Donovan and Associates for Historic Survey**

Mayor porter introduced this item & asked Ms. Haley to present it.

Ms. Haley stated that she & Ms. Janine Brodine, the Planning & Historic Preservation Commission Chair, reviewed to proposals and chose Donovan & Associates based on their past work & knowledge of our area.

Mayor Porter noted that we received a grant for this project.

**MOTION: Councilmember Cooke MOVED to approve Resolution #10-033. Councilmember Begley SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 5-0.**

## MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Mayor Porter reminded the public that there is a Council opening and 2 openings on the planning & historic preservation commission.

Councilmember Cooke stated he sends his best wishes to the miners and their families in Chile.

Mayor Porter announced that we have received a revised schedule for the Old City Hall Project and they are aiming to lift the building on Friday. Mr. Martinez replied that there may be a slight delay in lifting as we need to check the soils for contaminants. Mayor Porter asked if it was just under where the coal bin was and Mr. Martinez replied there were actually 20 samples taken from wherever there was exposed soil and we did not break through the concrete to sample.

Ms. King informed the Council that she is working with Suncadia on the reconveyance documents for the #4 Mine Area. The new documents will give Roslyn the right of first refusal which gives the City the opportunity for some period of time, which is still being discussed, so that if for some reason Suncadia were not to redevelop but were to transfer that property Roslyn would have the first option to purchase that property back.

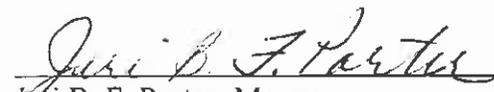
Councilmember Cooke asked if there is going to be a provision for us to maybe purchase a portion of it rather than the entire thing. Ms. King replied that would be really difficult to do because that would reduce the value of the property. Ms. King noted that she was not saying that Suncadia is anticipating selling it at anytime but that this is more of a safety measure for Roslyn and Suncadia has been more than willing to do it.

Mayor Porter stated that we have an animal control officer hired and they are going through their two week background check & review prior to actually starting.

Mayor Porter also announced that she sent a letter to the Chamber of Commerce asking that Roslyn's name be removed from the Chamber. We have our visitor center opening up that will be a joint effort between Roslyn Downtown Association and the City of Roslyn, at least that's the agreement I want drafted and brought before Council. The soft opening will be during the Paws on Parade which is at noon on Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup> and then the official opening will be at Winterfest in November.

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:39pm**

**MOTION: Councilmember Cooke MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Gruber SECONDED the motion. The motion PASSED 5-0.**

  
Jeri B. F. Porter, Mayor

Attest:   
Amber Shallow, Clerk – Treasurer