

1 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

2
3 December 12, 2007

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5 Attended: Stan Horrell, Mayor
6 Roger McKinley, Councilor
7 Pam Woodworth, Councilor
8 Jim Munyon, Councilor
9 Frank Primozic, Councilor
10 Tim Coe, Councilor
11 Georgia Patterson, Public Works
12 Bob Titus, Public Works
13 Brad Baird, Anderson Perry
14 Members of the public per the attached sign in sheet

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16 Mayor Horrell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The roll was called, Bill Harington being
17 absent. The pledge of allegiance was recited. The minutes of the November 28 and December 4
18 meetings were considered. **MSP: To approve the November 28 minutes as written, Tim**
19 **Coe/Pam Woodworth. All members voted in favor. MSP: To approve the December 4**
20 **minutes as written, Jim Munyon/Frank Primozic. All members voted in favor.**

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22 Mayor Horrell reminded everyone that there is a process for getting on the agenda. He stated
23 that anyone wishing to be on the agenda for a meeting must fill out an agenda request form and
24 submit it to the City Recorder by the Wednesday prior to the meeting they wish to be recognized.

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26 The Council recognized Kevin Dahlen who expressed concern that there hasn't been a clear
27 answer on how much the slow sand filter project is going to cost the City. Dahlen said he thinks
28 the comparison of options presented to the City wasn't a fair evaluation. There was discussion
29 of water rights and one citizen claimed that the water right purchased from John Forrest doesn't
30 exist. Concerns were voiced that the City will not have enough water if they continue with the
31 same source and others were concerned that the galleries are or will be contaminated by the
32 landfill.

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34 Melanie DeJong said she is drilling a well and wants to know if the City would be interested in
35 it. She said she would be willing to deed the property it is on to the City. It was not determined,
36 however, if the water had even been tested and whether or not the well would meet State
37 requirements for municipal use.

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39 Brad Baird was again asked to recap the options available to the City. Baird responded to the
40 accusation that he had presented a biased comparison to the City and maintained that either
41 option would work for about the same amount of money. He said that in fact, it would be more
42 lucrative to Anderson Perry if the City chose to go with wells instead of sand filtration because
43 there is no design in place yet and much work to be done. He said there are a lot of pros and
44 cons with each option, an also said that Dahlen had been overlooking many things with regard to
45 the cost of developing wells.

1 Dahlen basically wanted to know what sold the Council on slow sand filtration and asked what it
2 would take to change their minds. He volunteered to be part of any discussions and asked the
3 Council to take some time to look at the options again.

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5 It was again noted that the original project approved for financing was for slow sand filtration
6 and the development of at least one additional well to augment the water supply. Because the
7 City decided to change the scope of the project and develop wells instead, the financing has been
8 put in jeopardy. The crowd was reminded that the City must use borrowed money for the bulk of
9 the project and that many strings are attached to that money. It was noted that the State dictates
10 what has to be done and when. And when utilizing loan funds, the City has to follow certain
11 rules. Many of the hoops the City has to jump through have been cleared with the SSF project,
12 but if they choose to go with wells they will have to start over which will be very time
13 consuming.

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15 There was concern that when the City chose to drill wells on private ground it was done without
16 getting landowner agreements in place for access and site leases. It was noted that another
17 engineering firm had been engaged for the project, not Anderson Perry.

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19 There were statements that wells have recently been drilled in town that yield fair amount of
20 water and speculation that the City should drill in town somewhere. Baird said he has heard that
21 kind of talk for 11 years, but has yet to see these high producing wells. He said that if the City
22 can find one, it would certainly be much cheaper than bringing water to town from the wells
23 drilled miles away. He stressed however, that **unless the City drills on their own property this
24 time, they absolutely must get landowner agreements in place before doing any work.** The
25 Council discussed various locations that might work for drilling.

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27 **MSP: To take 30 days to decide where to put exploratory wells on property in town, Jim
28 Munyon/Frank Primozić. All members voted in favor.**

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30 **7:40 p.m.** The Mayor called for a break.

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32 **7:55 p.m. Landfill:** Tim Coe noted that he has yet to see a landfill report at any of the
33 meetings. Bob Titus gave a verbal report.

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35 **Public Works:** Bob Titus said the crew has been working on vehicles. He said they need some
36 sanding rock and that it would be nice to have it under cover of some kind. Titus gave the
37 Council a copy of his comments on an email to them from Anderson Perry.

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39 Titus was asked if he had any estimates for leak detection services from the companies he was
40 supposed to contact. He said he had one bid and only knew of one outfit. He was instructed to
41 find and contact more companies. He was asked how long there has been a leak on Johnson
42 Street but he said he didn't know. Councilman Munyon expressed frustration that known leaks
43 are allowed to go unfixed. Titus said they can dig it up and fix it with a "band aid." He was
44 asked if there are any other leaks the Council should know about and instructed that leaks should
45 be fixed as soon as he becomes aware of them.

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1 **Accounts Payable: MSP: To approve the payables, Frank Primozic/Roger McKinley. All**
2 **members voted in favor.**

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4 **Abatement:** Roger McKinley said he had been working on the property but needs to get
5 someone to accept responsibility for over powering the culverts below it. Bob Titus said the City
6 will accept responsibility, however the Council did not make any commitment. McKinley was
7 asked if he had prepared a written plan as directed in the abatement letter. He said no, and that
8 he was not going to. He said he plans to put in another culvert and would get something done
9 before next mosquito season. There was then a lengthy discussion about whether or not Public
10 Works should replace culverts on 9th Street and who has liability for the ditches. Someone
11 thought the Ditch Association is liable. The conversation then switched to sanding gravel.

12 **MSP: To OK the purchase of sanding gravel, Roger McKinley/Jim Munyon. All members**
13 **voted in favor.**

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15 **Police Services:** It was noted that if the Council plans to place an ad for a Police Chief the City
16 should first establish a job description and decide what they want the position to do; i.e., decide
17 what kind of coverage they want and still keep the hours limited to 40 per week. The Recorder
18 said they need to also decide on a pay scale and minimum qualifications.

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20 **Job Descriptions:** The Recorder and Mayor said they had not yet received the final versions of
21 the job descriptions to review for signing.

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23 **Other Business:** The Council was asked to consider the approval of an application for a liquor
24 license submitted by the new owner of the Branding Iron. **MSP: To approve the application,**
25 **Jim Munyon/Roger McKinley. All members voted in favor.**

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27 The Council was reminded that Fire Chief Sullens would soon be retiring and they were asked if
28 they had decided on a gift. It was agreed that a gift certificate for an ocean fishing trip would be
29 appropriate. The Recorder said she had checked the websites of some charter boat companies
30 and that prices varied depending on what type of trip (crabbing, salmon, bottom fish or halibut.)
31 It was agreed that the certificate should be enough to allow for a trip for two. **MSP: To**
32 **authorize up to \$500 to purchase a gift certificate for a charter fishing trip in recognition of**
33 **Jim Sullens' retirement, Jim Munyon/Roger McKinley.** Munyon also said Sullens would
34 have to take a spin around town in the fire truck upon receipt of the gift.

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36 **9:00 p.m. MSP: It was moved and seconded to adjourn. All members voted in favor.**

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39 Respectfully submitted:

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42 Diane Clingman

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