

**CITY OF PILOT ROCK**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JANUARY 4, 2011**  
**7:00 PM**

**A. ROLL**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Virginia Carnes at 7:07 PM. Council members present were Annie Tester, George Hall, Michael Baleztena, and Shawna Kirk. Also present were City Recorder Jackie Carey, Chief Darren Richman, Public Works Supervisor Steve Draper, Jim Carey, Harley Jeffers, Rex Holcomb, Karl Lyon, Vic Ellis, Dan Deist, Randee McKague, Mike Nelson, and Mary Lue Slabik.

**B. INVOCATION**

Mike Nelson and Harley Jeffers gave the invocation.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**D. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS**

Mary Lue Slabik asked the Council for an update on the 501c3 for the Bike Pit. Draper advised an accountant in Pendleton is working on it and it will be done in February.

Slabik asked if the Council charged A & V Investments late fees for being late on their payment. Councilor Baleztena stated the Council did not charge them late fees, but granted them an extension. They made their payment before the extension had expired.

**E. PRESENTATIONS**

None

**F-1 OATH OF OFFICE**

Annie Tester, George Hall and Virginia Carnes took the oath of office.

**F-2 ARCHERY CLUB GAMING LICENSE**

The Pilot Rock Archery Club is asking for permission to have a Texas Hold-em tournament as a fund raising project. However, City Ordinance No. 426 does not allow the house (club) from receiving any income. Chief Richman denied their application for a gaming license and referred them to the City Council for a waiver.

Dan Deist addressed the Council asking for a waiver of Section 1 and Section 7B for their tournament. There will be no alcohol allowed. You must be 21 years of age to play.

Councilor Baleztena declared a conflict of interest. He is a member of the archery club. Chief Richman supports the Club but he stated he did not have the authority to waive the ordinance.

On a motion by Hall and seconded by Kirk the Council allowed the variance to Ordinance No.426 to conduct the Texas Hold-em for the archery club. All members present voted yes.

### **F-3 SELL COPPER & BRASS**

Public Works Supervisor Draper asked permission to sell excess copper and brass. He advised now is a good time to sell as the price is up. He would obtain 3 bids.

On a motion by Kirk and seconded by Baleztena the Council gave approval for staff to sell scrap brass and copper to the highest bidder with a minimum of 3 bids. All members present voted yes.

### **F-4 BUDGET OFFICER**

On a motion by Hall and seconded by Kirk the Council appointed Jackie Carey budget officer. All members present voted yes.

### **F-5 A T & T CELL TOWER**

Vic Ellis, representative for AT&T mobility in Bend, asked the Council to approve their application for a lease with the City of Pilot Rock for a cell tower near the water tower. The reason they need to build another tower is because the structure integrity of the US Cellular tower will not hold another tower with the new requirements of the past year. Verizon wants to collocate with AT&T's tower because the new technology will not allow them to collocate with US Cellular. Increased usage required increased infrastructure. They will be able to provide emergency communication for users.

By FCC requirements, they cannot interfere with US Cellular. They will be doing an engineering study and an impact study. They have increased their liability insurance from \$3 million to \$5 million.

Councilor Hall was concerned about the City's water structures. Ellis stated they will provide an impact study and engineering plans to the City prior to construction.

On a motion by Hall and seconded by Kirk the Council gave Jackie permission to contact legal counsel to review the AT&T lease. All members present voted yes.

Councilor Hall was concerned about DHS. Draper advised he would take a copy of the engineering plans to DHS.

### **F-6 PILOT ROCK SANITATION FRANCHISE**

Chief Richman advised a local businessperson was interested in bidding on the sanitation franchise. Richman asked Council for direction on what they would like to do regarding the renewal of the sanitation franchise.

Councilor Kirk would like to see Pilot Rock Sanitation donate two containers for the annual cleanup. Mayor Carnes asked about recycling. McKague stated they have looked into recycling and it is too expensive to get setup.

McKague was concerned about not allowing outside people to dump on the annual cleanup. Carey advised if the City is paying for the containers, it is being paid by taxpayers of the City and people that live outside Pilot Rock do not pay city taxes.

Councilor Baleztena stated it would be up to McKague if they allow outside residents to dump during the annual cleanup.

Councilor Hall requested some figures from McKagues. He would like to know how much garbage is dumped by the city for free, which is included in their franchise agreement. Councilor Baleztena advised those figures have already been given to the prior council. He stated the only issue with the renewal of franchise was if they would provide containers during the annual cleanup.

The Council asked the Department Heads to meet with McKague to develop a new franchise agreement and bring it back to the Council the first meeting in February.

#### **F-7 APPOINT COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

The Council decided to wait until the next meeting when the whole council is present to vote.

#### **G-1 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**

Carey talked to the Assessor's Office regarding the property taxes on the pasture land. The City is being charged for irrigated pasture land. Staff advised the property is non-irrigated; it is only used for grazing for cattle. They advised the taxes would be 44% less for a savings of \$1184. Carey asked Jon Salter, Assessor's Farm Appraiser, if they could go back and refund previous years. Mr. Salter stated the Assessor's Office opinion is that they will not issue a refund.

Carey asked permission to write Paul Charmers and ask for a refund. The Council gave their approval to write a letter to the County Assessor.

Carey advised that Mary Lue Slabik has applied for the Planning Commission. On a motion by Baleztena and seconded by Tester Mary Lue Slabik was appointed to the Planning Commission. All members present voted yes.

Staff put together the projects that have been completed for 2010 for the Council's review. It will be attached to these minutes.

**G-2 COUNCIL ORIENTATION**

Carey would like to schedule a council orientation for the new council members and a refresher for the seasoned members. The Council set January 20, 2011, at 6PM for the orientation.

**H. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Kirk made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Tester. All members present voted yes.

**I. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilor Kirk would like an update and status of the Jim Hinkle situation.

Mayor Carnes advised that Bill Woodfin’s memorial will be at the High School at 11am on Friday. Mayor Carnes also advised that someone destroyed the 2011 sign.

Councilor Hall would like to get as paperless as we can.

**J. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No Executive Session.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Kirk and seconded by Hall the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM. All members present voted yes.

**APPROVED** \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST** \_\_\_\_\_