

**CITY OF PROSSER, WASHINGTON  
601 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Warden called the Regular Meeting of Prosser City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members Becken, Chambers, Everett, Taylor, and Troemel were present. Council Member Poteet was absent.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

Larry Loges commented on the need for a new water tower and the potential water rate increase. He provided a list of things he felt the Council should review to become educated. He also indicated that the administration should "...provide accurate information to the public in order for the public to make informed decision regarding water usage and rates".

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Council Member Everett suggested having students lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of Council Meetings. Council agreed that it was a good idea.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, second by Council Member Everett to approve Consent Agenda items A-F as follows:

- a. Approve payment of payroll warrant nos. 20000 through 20016 in the amount of 15,516.05 for the January 15, 2008 payroll.
- b. Approve payment of claim warrant nos. 56294 through 56351 and 60015 through 60054 in the amount of \$354,403.03 and the IRS Federal Tax Wire in the amount \$4,066.38 for the period ending January 22, 2008.
- c. Approve the City Council Minutes for the Special City Council meeting of November 20, 2007.
- d. Approve the City Council Minutes for the City Council meeting of November 27, 2007.
- e. Approve subscriber agreement with Public Safety Testing to provide civil service testing and recruitment services.
- f. Approve Addendum #2 to the Consultant Agreement, Phase I, between the City of Prosser and Calvin Jordan Associates not to exceed \$11,050.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **JOHNSON ANNEXATION**

City Attorney Saxton explained that Council already discussed setting the meeting to discuss the annexation but action could not be taken at a work session. City Attorney Saxton said that City services are available to the property, but are not currently used.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Chambers to set the initial meeting date for the Johnson annexation for the City Council Meeting of February 12, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

### **ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 08-2595 ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF A 1995 F-150 TRUCK FROM CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE WINE ESTATES TO THE CITY OF PROSSER**

Mr. Loges asked if the donation of the truck from Chateau Ste. Michelle Wine Estates was in lieu of paying their utility bills to the City.

A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Chambers to adopt Ordinance No. 08-2595. Motion carried by majority vote with Council Member Taylor abstaining.

### **ADOPT RESOLUTION 08-1233 APPROVING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN BENTON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PROSSER FOR THE 2008 BITUMINOUS SURFACE TREATMENT PROGRAM**

Council Member Becken recused himself since he wrote the interlocal agreement for Benton County. Public Works Director DaCorsi stated that an interlocal will tie the City into the County's bid so that the City can be part of their chip seal program.

A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Taylor to adopt Resolution No. 08-1233 Motion carried unanimously by majority vote with Council Member Becken abstaining.

### **PROPOSAL TO CONTRACT WITH PROSSER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR TOURISM PROMOTION SERVICES AND OPERATION OF A TOURISM RELATED FACILITY**

Council Member Everett said he has been exploring ways the last couple of years to make the processing of Hotel/Motel payments easier. Council Member Everett reported that the Hotel/Motel Committee is proposing a service contract with the Chamber of Commerce to allow more flexibility for large portions of the money for new opportunities. Council Member Everett was uncertain as to whether one entity should receive all the money for marketing purposes.

Council discussed whether they would prefer to contract with an agency for marketing purposes or if they'd still like to see all the detail. Mayor Warden said the committee would review the work plan before it is presented to Council. Council discussed having a

requirement in the contract to increase revenues each year by a certain percentage and requiring an end of the year or quarterly report to show the impact of the proposal.

Council asked the City Attorney and the Chamber of Commerce to draft an agreement and work plan for consideration.

**ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 08-2596 AMENDING THE CITY OF PROSSER'S CREDIT CARD POLICY**

City Attorney Saxton explained that the change in the credit card policy would allow credit cards to be used for any business related purpose.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Chambers to adopt Ordinance No. 08-2596. Motion carried unanimously.

**AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC WORKS TRUST FUND LOAN AGREEMENT NUMBER: PW-05-691-PRE-115**

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Everett to approve the amendment to the Public Works Trust Fund Loan Agreement Number: PW-05-691-PRE-115.

**ADD ON ITEMS**

City Administrator Stouder reminded Council of the February 2, 2008 meeting at 8:30 a.m. He passed out binders to help with the discussion on priorities and BIPIN.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the City Council at this time, the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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Mayor Paul Warden

Attest:

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City Clerk Cathleen Koch