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TOLEDO CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 2, 2008

Mayor Jim Chambers called a regular meeting of the Toledo City Council to order at 7pm. Councilors present: Mark Camara, Bob Emmett, Ron Beckham, Wes Chadwick and Council President Rod Cross.

Excused: Councilor Sarah Cole

Staff present: City Attorney (CA) Jim Ruggeri, Public Works (PWD) Director Adam Denlinger, Treasurer Polly Chavarria, Library Director Peter Rayment, Police Chief Mark Fandrey, Fire Chief Will Ewing and Utility/Recording Clerk Nancy Bryant.

Visitors present: Pete Wall, Teresa Denlinger, Terry Dillman, Nick Price, Greg Harlow and Don Larsen, Wayne Hoffman, John Sullivan and Betty Kamikawa.

Visitor Comments:

Don Larsen of the Siletz Watershed Council spoke to Council regarding a recent study of gas powered motorboats on the Siletz River. He stated there were nine gas-powered motorboats observed above the water intake on January 1, 2008.

Consent Calendar:

Motion-It was moved and seconded (Emmett/Camara) to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of the invoice list dated December 28, 2007. **Motion passed 6-0.**

Discussion and Information Items:

Parks and Recreation District Formation

CA Ruggeri provided additional information including, election costs for the formation of a Parks and Recreation District. Treasurer Chavarria provided Council with information regarding the financial impact of a Parks and Recreation District. Council and Staff discussed timelines and other options.

Decision Items:

Consider and take action to adopt a proposed resolution of intent to hire a City Manager

CA Ruggeri stated that, according to the City Charter, if a vacancy occurs in the City Managers office Council will adopt a resolution to hire a new City Manager.

Motion-It was moved and seconded (Cross/Chadwick) to adopt Resolution No. 1226 "A Resolution of Intent to Hire a City Manager". **Motion passed 6-0.**

Consider and take action to encourage development and implementation of the Watershed Protection Program

Council discussed the content of the letter written by (PWD) Denlinger and revised by Councilor Camara. Council agreed that the revised letter as modified at this meeting addresses Council intent.

Motion-It was moved and seconded (Camara/Cross) to authorize the letter revised by Councilor Camara and as amended by Councilor Cross. Mayor Chambers announced that he will be abstaining from signing the letter because he feels like his position with the county has been attacked on this issue. He said there should be more work done to collect the data. He supports the councilors and the process.

Motion passed 5-0, noting the abstention of Mayor Chambers.

Consider and take action to hire a City Manager Pro Tem

Council and staff reviewed and discussed the contract for the professional services of Pete Wall. Mayor Chambers noted that the City is entering into a contract and not hiring a new employee.

Motion-It was moved and seconded (Cross/Camara) to approve the professional contract with Pete Wall and authorize Mayor Chambers to sign it. **Motion passed 6-0**.

Reports and Comments:

Department Reports

There were none.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Pete Wall stated that he and staff will finalize a budget calendar tomorrow.

Council Comments

Councilor Beckham stated that he has hope for a good year in 2008.

Councilor Chadwick welcomed Pete Wall back as the City Manager Pro Tem.

Councilor Camara stated that the Toledo Development Association has scheduled the January 15th noon lunch session focusing on community and government leaders. The location will be at the City Hall Council Chambers.

(CP) Cross welcomed Pete Wall and he encouraged everyone to attend the High School sports for the next three days. The teams appreciate the support of a spectator filled gym.

Councilor Emmett thanked Pete Wall for coming back and expressed his hope for everyone to have a good new year. He also stated that he looks forward to prioritizing Council objectives in the near future.

Mayor Comments

Mayor Chambers also welcomed Pete Wall as the City Manager Pro Tem. He reminded Council that there is an Ethics presentation on January 23rd at 5:30pm to be held at the Toledo Fire Hall as well as a Council Goal setting session on January 26th at 9am.

Mayor Chambers also reported that he is working on a statistical rendition of the comments received at the last two Memorial Field meetings and he has plans to pursue a grant from the Plum Creek Foundation.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.