

**CITY OF WAYLAND
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2007**

Mayor Stein called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Resident Diane Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Stein, Council Members Geshel, Shafer, Maichele, Holloway, Antel.

Absent: Hamilton.

Also Present: City Manager Deborah Nier, Assistant City Manager Heath Kaplan, City Services Director Pierre Brazeau, Police Chief Dan Miller, Fire Chief Joe Miller, Jean Gallup, Diane Smith, Bob Coffman, Monte Listopad, Bryce Hoekenga, Char Weick, Ann Kilmartin, Jason Palmer, Kirk Scharphorn, Sr., Phil Seybert.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a) Motion made by Council Member Geshel, and seconded by Council Member Shafer, to approve the minutes of the Special Council Planning Session of March 26, 2007, as written. All ayes. Motion approved.
- b) Motion made by Council Member Shafer, and seconded by Council Member Maichele, to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2007, regular Council meeting, as written. All ayes. Motion passed.

ADDITION TO AGENDA:

Mr. Phillip Seybert developer for Sawmill Estates Project appeared before Council to request a distribution of funds showing local support for the Family Housing Project. Mr. Seybert went on to explain MISHDA is requiring an additional contribution of \$5,000 from the City of Wayland for the Family Housing Project. Suggestions from Council were tap on fees, sidewalks, or Dora Weaver Fund. City Manager Nier stated she would research which would be the best solution and get back with Council.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL:

None.

COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Minutes of the April 4, 2007, Election Commission Meeting, were acknowledged for file.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a) High School Representative Brittney Osborne gave an update on activities at the high school level.

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- b) An invitation from the National Crime Victims' Rights Week Recognition Ceremony was read.
- c) A letter of resignation from Arnold Wilde from the Wayland Home Improvement Fund Committee was read aloud with regret.
- d) Jason Palmer of the Gun Lake Tribe gave an update of the casino development.
- e) Communication from the MML regarding a training session for April 27, 2007

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

- a) Motion made by Council Member Maichele, and seconded by Council Member Holloway, to approve the regular bills and accounts as written. All ayes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) **Proposed Professional Code Inspection Construction Fee Schedule:**
Mr. Kirt Scharphorn of Professional Code Inspection provided Council with information regarding increased fee schedule. Mr. Scharphorn explained with rising cost and expenses he inquired if the City would adopt a new resolution to increase permit fees. He stated the last increase was in 1999. Council requested that Finance Director Heath Kaplan check numbers out to see how it would affect the budget, before making a decision.
- b) Motion made by Council Member Antel, and seconded by Council Maichele, to deny pay request no. 1 to VanderKodde Construction for the City Park Restrooms.

DISCUSSION:

Council Member Shafer produced pictures of the restrooms in the park, stating the work is shabby and he would not support payment request 1. He inquired if City Engineer Mike Oezer inspected the work before requesting payment.

Mr. Ozer said he did not.

City Manager Nier stated she would contact Mr. VanderKodde and Progressive to correct the matter.

All nays. Motion for payment request no. 1 was denied.

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- c) Motion made by Council Member Antel, and seconded by Council Member Maichele to approve a Proclamation for April 19, through May 1, as Municipal Clerks Week. All ayes. Motion passed.

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATION:

City Manager Nier reported that at the Monday, May 7, at 6:00 p.m. prior to the regular Council meeting there will be a Public Hearing for the proposed 2007-08 Budget. She stated a notice would be put in the paper.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Maichele voiced his concern regarding using the Dora Weaver Fund to contribute to the Sawmill Estates Project.

Council Member Holloway gave a report on the Planning Commission meeting. He stated they are reviewing the screening and buffering ordinance.

Council Member Shafer announced that Houses' Chiropractic Clinic is donating \$5,000 toward a piece of equipment for the City Park. He explained that Dr. House chooses a charity or a cause to donate to every year, and this year he chose the City of Wayland. The \$5,000 is based on \$100 a patient within a two-month period. Mr. Shafer stated the Rails for Trails Committee did not meet this month.

Council Member Geshel questioned Council Member Miachele if he would rather see tap-on fees reduced for Sawmill Estates contribution.

Council Member Antel expressed her disappointment with the quality of work on the park restrooms and in Progressive AE for not following up on checking the standard of work done on projects. Ms. Antel inquired why the City is not going out for competitive bidding for engineering services. Antel also, voiced a concern with the irregularity of time frame and the inconsistency of wages for the Council. Assistant City Manager Heath Kaplan stated he has corrected the problem and everyone should be back on a quarterly schedule from now on.

Mayor Stein expressed his concerns with the Seybert project. The Mayor announced that the new web site is up and running.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

None.

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Mayor Stein adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Baumgard, City Clerk

Burrell Stein, Mayor