

**COLVILLE, WASHINGTON  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 8, 2009**

**7:00 PM:** MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR RICHARD NICHOLS.

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**ROLL CALL:** FOLL, HANEY, WHITE, GRAY, JANKE, KYLE AND OHRTMAN.

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**PRESENT:** COUNCILMEMBER NANCY FOLL, COUNCILMEMBER MARILYN HANEY, COUNCILMEMBER BETTY WHITE, COUNCILMEMBER ED GRAY, COUNCILMEMBER LOU JANKE, COUNCILMEMBER DOUG KYLE, COUNCILMEMBER ERIC OHRTMAN AND MAYOR RICHARD NICHOLS.

**STAFF PRESENT:** DIRECTOR OF BUILDING/PLANNING JIM LAPINSKI, POLICE CAPTAIN ROBERT MESHISHNEK, CITY CLERK/HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER HOLLY PANNELL, CONTRACTED CITY ENGINEER BRENT RASMUSSEN, CITY TREASURER VICKIE STRONG AND WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT ERIC DURPOS.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG.**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- #01. **MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 24, 2009 COLVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**
- #02. **DECEMBER 9, 2009 CLAIMS CHECKS #41079 ~ #41156 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$511,726.24 INCLUDING VOIDED CHECK #41085 AS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE.**
- #03. **NOVEMBER, 2009 PAYROLL CHECKS #24283 ~ #24372 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$264,599.32 INCLUDING VOIDED CHECK #24370 AS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE.**
- #04. **NOVEMBER, 2009 REPORTS: EXPENDITURE, REVENUE, VENDOR AND TREASURER.**
- #05. **NOVEMBER 20, 2009 – DECEMBER 3, 2009 CONTRACT/AGREEMENT LIST REVIEW.**

MAYOR NICHOLS READ THE CONSENT AGENDA.

COUNCILMEMBER OHRTMAN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER WHITE SECONDED THE MOTION THAT "VOUCHERS AUDITED AND CERTIFIED BY THE AUDITING COMMITTEE AS REQUIRED BY RCW 42.24.080 AND THOSE EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT CLAIMS CERTIFIED AS REQUIRED BY RCW 42.24.090 HAVE BEEN RECORDED ON A LISTING WHICH HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE COUNCIL AS OF THIS DATE DECEMBER 8, 2009 AND DOES APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THOSE VOUCHERS INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE LIST AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: DECEMBER 9, 2009 CLAIMS CHECKS #41079 ~ #41156 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$511,726.24; NOVEMBER, 2009 PAYROLL CHECKS #24283 ~ #24372 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$264,599.32" AND DOES APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ.

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MOTION PASSED.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

- #06. **PUBLIC COMMENT: THE FLOOR IS OPEN FOR ANY PUBLIC COMMENT.**

THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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**#07. DISCUSSION/ACTION: GARDEN HOMES WATER ASSOCIATION PROPOSAL.**

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT ERIC DURPOS AND BILL DANEKAS, 192 WITHAM ROAD, STATED THAT THERE WAS A MEETING OF THE GARDEN HOMES WATER ASSOCIATION AND THEY HAVE RETURNED WITH A PROPOSAL. BILL DANEKAS STATED THAT THE ASSOCIATION WILL AGREE TO REPLACE THE EXISTING WATER SYSTEM TO CURRENT CITY STANDARDS WITH A WRITTEN AGREEMENT THAT THE CITY WOULD ASSUME OWNERSHIP OF THE NEW SYSTEM UPON ITS COMPLETION.

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT ERIC DURPOS STATED THAT IT WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY TO TAKE OVER THE SYSTEM AND CONTINUE TO SERVE THESE CUSTOMERS. IT WILL EQUATE TO A LOT OF MONEY FOR THE ASSOCIATION AND THIS COULD ENCOURAGE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT IN THIS AREA AND THE MORATORIUM COULD BE LIFTED.

COUNCILMEMBER FOLL STATED THAT LIFTING THE MORATORIUM ON HOOKUPS ISN'T IN THIS RECOMMENDATION. SHE STATED THAT THE MORATORIUM IS A SEPARATE ISSUE. SHE STATED THAT SHE FEELS THAT FUTURE DEVELOPMENT COULD ONLY OCCUR IF THERE WAS ANNEXATION.

COUNCILMEMBER JANKE STATED THAT THE EARLIER RECOMMENDATIONS MENTIONED ANNEXATION.

BILL DANEKAS STATED THAT THE ASSOCIATION FELT THAT THIS WAS A GOOD PLACE TO START.

COUNCILMEMBER KYLE STATED THAT THIS PROPOSAL IS A LITTLE BROAD AND SOME OF THE ISSUES WOULD NEED TO BE CLARIFIED.

COUNCILMEMBER JANKE MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER KYLE SECONDED THE MOTION TO AGREE TO THE CONCEPT OF THE PROPOSAL IN PRINCIPAL AND THAT THE ASSOCIATION WILL WORK WITH THE CITY TO DEVELOP A FORMAL AGREEMENT TO INCLUDE TIMELINES, MORATORIUMS, EASEMENT AND ANNEXATION ISSUES TO BRING BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR FINAL ACCEPTANCE PRIOR TO PROCEEDING.

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**#08. DISCUSSION: PHEASANT RIDGE ESTATES RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RECONSTRUCTION.**

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COUNCILMEMBER KYLE STATED THAT HE WORKS FOR AVISTA UTILITIES AND HE HAS WORKED WITH MR. BEARDSLEE ON HIS UTILITIES IN THIS AREA.

MARK BEARDSLEE STATED THAT THIS IS MORE OF AN INFORMATIONAL UPDATE TO KEEP COUNCIL INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS OF THE REPAIRS IN THIS AREA.

MARK BEARDSLEE STATED THAT THEY WILL ALLOW THE STREETS TO GO THROUGH ANOTHER WINTER. THEY BELIEVE THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL SETTLING AND THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIX IT NEXT YEAR.

DIRECTOR OF BUILDING/PLANNING JIM LAPINSKI STATED THAT THE CITY CAN ACCEPT A BOND, LETTER OF CREDIT OR OTHER FORM OF ASSURANCE AND THIS IS TYPICALLY DONE AT 150% OF THE ESTIMATE.

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**#09. DISCUSSION/ACTION: PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING WATER RATES AND BASE CHARGES FOR IRRIGATION ACCOUNTS.**

COUNCILMEMBER HANEY MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER WHITE SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING WATER RATES AND BASE CHARGES FOR IRRIGATION ACCOUNTS FOR 501C3 ACCOUNTS AND CONTINUING THESE RATES THROUGH 12/31/2010.

COUNCILMEMBER OHRTMAN STATED THAT THE GOLF COURSE HAS A LOT OF QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS RATE AND HOW TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. HE STATED THAT HE DOES NOT FEEL THAT THE GOLF COURSE PROMOTES TOURISM OR PROVIDES YOUTH PROGRAMS.

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT ERIC DURPOS STATED THAT THIS ISSUE IS BEING LOOKED AT AS PART OF THE CURRENT RATE STUDY.

MAYOR NICHOLS STATED THAT THIS ORDINANCE AND THE ASSOCIATED WATER RATE IS AVAILABLE TO ANY 501C3 THAT HAS A SEPARATE IRRIGATION ACCOUNT.

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MOTION PASSED.

*(ORDINANCE NO. 1428 N.S. IN ITS ENTIRETY IS ON FILE IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.)*

**#10. DISCUSSION/ACTION: PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010.**

COUNCILMEMBER HANEY MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER KYLE SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010.

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MOTION PASSED.

*(ORDINANCE NO. 1429 N.S. IN ITS ENTIRETY IS ON FILE IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.)*

**#11. DISCUSSION/ACTION: POSSIBLE APPOINTMENTS TO THE COLVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION, COLVILLE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, COLVILLE AIRPORT BOARD AND THE COLVILLE LIBRARY BOARD.**

COUNCILMEMBER HANEY MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER OHRTMAN SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE OF THE APPOINTMENTS OF JEFF HOLTER-CIVIL SERVICE, FRED BUDINGER-AIRPORT BOARD, KARI HUBBARD-LIBRARY BOARD AND TRUDY LUNDY-PLANNING COMMISSION.

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MOTION PASSED.

**#12. DISCUSSION/ACTION: CANCELLATION OF THE DECEMBER 29, 2009 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

COUNCILMEMBER HANEY MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER GRAY SECONDED THE MOTION TO CANCEL THE DECEMBER 29, 2009 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

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MOTION PASSED.

**COMMITTEE OR SPECIAL REPORTS:**

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- #13. MONTHLY REPORTS:      REVIEW ALL MONTHLY REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS.**

NO REPORT.

- #14. DISCUSSION/REPORT:      COLVILLE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE.**

DIRECTOR OF BUILDING/PLANNING JIM LAPINSKI STATED THAT THIS IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING PREPARED IN DRAFT FORM.

- #15. CITY ATTORNEY:      REPORT ON ANY PENDING ITEMS.**

NO REPORT.

- #16. COUNCIL PENDING ITEMS:      REVIEW LIST OF COUNCIL PENDING ITEMS.**

NO REPORT.

**INDIVIDUAL REPORTS BY MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS AND STAFF:**

MAYOR NICHOLS STATED THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED AN OFFER FOR THE PROPERTY ON WASHINGTON AND RAILROAD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000. THE PROPERTY WAS LISTED FOR \$65,000 AND WE HAVE APPRAISALS RANGING FROM \$40,000-\$79,000.

COUNCILMEMBER JANKE MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER HANEY SECONDED THE MOTION TO SIT ON THE OFFER FOR TWO WEEKS.

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MOTION PASSED.

COUNCILMEMBER FOLL ASKED HOW THE CONCRETE WORK AT THE RESERVOIR WAS PROGRESSING. WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT ERIC DURPOS STATED THAT HE JUST GOT A TEST BACK AND THE FILLING OF THE TANK HAS BEEN POSTPONED DUE TO THE COLD WEATHER. HE STATED THAT THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO FILL AND RUN THE TEST NEXT WEEK.

COUNCILMEMBER FOLL REQUESTED THAT THE PROPERTY AND SALES TAX REVENUES INFORMATION BE UPDATED TO THE CURRENT NUMBERS.

COUNCILMEMBER FOLL ASKED WHEN AND IF WE DECIDE WE HAVE FUNDS, WHAT ISSUES WILL WE ADD BACK INTO THE CITY. WHAT IS THE PRIORITY LIST IF WE DECIDE TO ADD ITEMS BACK INTO THE BUDGET IF REVENUES INCREASE. SHE ALSO STATED THAT WE NEVER ESTABLISHED A PURPOSE FOR THE RAINY DAY FUNDS. SHE WOULD LIKE THIS CLARIFIED AND ESTABLISHED. SHE ALSO ASKED ABOUT THE FAA RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE LAST MEETING THAT STATES THAT IT IS THE SAME AS RESOLUTION NO. 08-09. SHE STATED THAT THE NEW RESOLUTION IMPLIES THAT WE WILL HAVE TO PAY SOMETHING BACK. THE MEMO FROM BRENT RASMUSSEN IMPLIES THAT WE MIGHT HAVE TO PAY SOMETHING BACK.

COUNCILMEMBER JANKE STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE A LEGAL OPINION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-09.

COUNCILMEMBER KYLE STATED THAT HIS UNDERSTANDING IS THAT WE WILL STILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO SAY NO.

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COUNCILMEMBER JANKE STATED THAT CITY ENGINEER BRENT RASMUSSEN'S MONTHLY REPORT MENTIONS THE NEED FOR A BUSINESS PLAN FOR THE AIRPORT. HE STATED THAT WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT HOW THIS WILL PLAY INTO THE PROCESS. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE FAA GUIDELINES MENTION THAT WE CAN HAVE DEFINITE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE AIRPORT. HE STATED THAT HE WANTS TO OUTLINE THOSE AND ADOPT THOSE FORMALLY. HE STATED THAT HE IS ALSO LOOKING FOR A SUMMARY OF NEED FOR THE AIRPORT FROM THE COLVILLE 2000 AND BEYOND COMMITTEE.

9:07:05 PM COUNCILMEMBER HANEY LEFT THE MEETING.

COUNCILMEMBER GRAY STATED THAT ONE OF HIS GOALS WOULD BE TO PLACE THE AIRPORT SO IT WOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH FUTURE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE ADEQUATE AND PROPER USE OF THE EXISTING AIRPORT LAND.

COUNCILMEMBER JANKE STATED THAT CITY TREASURER VICKIE STRONG'S STAFF REPORT MENTIONED THE ISSUE OF THE FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER AND THE ISSUE OF ROUNDING UP ON UTILITY BILLS. HE STATED THAT HE QUESTIONS THE VALUE OF MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS REQUEST.

COUNCILMEMBER OHRTMAN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER JANKE SECONDED THE MOTION TO NOT PROCEED WITH THE NEW UTILITY BILL STOCK FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROUNDING UP FOR THE FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER.

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MOTION PASSED. *COUNCILMEMBER FOLL ABSTAINED FROM VOTING DUE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.*

COUNCILMEMBER JANKE STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A STRATEGY FOR MONITORING THE STATUS OF THE REVENUES ON A MORE PROACTIVE BASIS. HE ALSO STATED THAT WE NEED TO DISCUSS LONGER TERM STRATEGIES FOR CUTTING COSTS.

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT ERIC DURPOS STATED THAT COUNCIL SHOULD KEEP IN MIND THAT THE SWEDE ANDERSON WATER AGREEMENT WILL ALSO BE UP NEXT YEAR SO WE MIGHT BE HAVING THE SAME CONVERSATION WITH THAT GROUP.

DIRECTOR OF BUILDING/PLANNING JIM LAPINSKI REPORTED ON THE AVISTA RESOURCE CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM THAT WAS INCLUDED IN THE COUNCIL PACKET. HE STATED THAT HE NEEDS MORE INFORMATION BEFORE HE CAN ADVISE COUNCIL ON THIS ISSUE.

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL, COUNCILMEMBER OHRTMAN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER WHITE SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

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MOTION PASSED.

**TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: 9:35 P.M.**

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MAYOR RICHARD NICHOLS

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Holly Pannell, CMC, PFO, City Clerk/  
Human Resources Manager