

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Paul Helenberg called the July 11, 2016, regular meeting of the Castle Rock City Council to order at 7:32 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following councilmembers were present: Art Lee, Lee Kessler, Ellen Rose, and Earl Queen. Councilmember Mike Davis was absent.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

1. Joel Royce, representing Cowlitz Cobras requested permission to hold the I Topped The Rock event on city property and to request assistance from city public works and police department personnel. Royce stated the proposed event date is August 20th. This would be a fund raiser for the Cowlitz Cobras football team. Mr. Royce stated he is considering two route options. Both would originate at the north end trailhead. The route that he prefers would originate at the trailhead, travel south along the Riverfront Trail to The Rock and then back on the trail to the north end trailhead. This would possibly require the use of the parking lot owned by Cowlitz River Dental/Red Canoe Credit Union. Royce stated he has obtained insurance for the event through a sponsor; 360 Elite LLC of Longview, WA. Vorse noted the new route would use the Riverfront Trail and not require as much traffic control. Mayor Helenberg suggested the section of Front Avenue abutting Gateway Park could be blocked off to allow better access by participants.

Councilmember Kessler made a motion, seconded by Rose to approve Mr. Royce's request to hold the I Topped the Rock event on August 20th, with the preferred route described above.

Discussion: Vorse thought Mr. Royce wanted to also keep the option of using the old route. Royce stated he favors the route he described because it remains mostly on the existing Riverfront Trail system.

Vote: By roll call vote; unanimous 'Aye'

Royce asked if he still could use the services of the Castle Rock Police Department and Cowlitz Fire District #6. Mayor Helenberg stated Chief Heuer would be the contact for the police department and Fire Chief Bill LeMonds would be the contract for the fire district.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Police Chief Bob Heuer requested a moment of silence in honor of the recent events in Dallas, Texas where several law enforcement officers were killed in the line of duty.
2. Public Works Director Dave Vorse announced the State intends to chip seal State Route 411; which includes Westside Highway, A Street SW and Huntington Avenue North. The project is expected to begin August 8th.
3. Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington reported notices for the full-time Deputy Clerk I position have been placed in the Daily News, Washington Municipal Clerk Association, Washington Finance Officers Association and Worksource. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., July 20th.

COUNCIL AND AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Nancy Chennault, Castle Rock Community Development Alliance (CRCDA), announced that the America In Bloom judges will be in Castle Rock July 19th through July 21st to complete their

evaluation of the city. July 20th at 6:00 p.m. will be a community-wide potluck at the new Visitor Center. Residents can meet the AIB judges and see the new facility. On July 21st, elected officials, staff and members of CRCDA will be invited to attend a dinner to hear the judge's comments and recommendations for improving the city's ability to attract tourists and new businesses.

2. Mayor Helenberg announced the ribbon cutting and grand opening of the new Visitor Center will be July 20th at 5:30 p.m. Dave Vorse stated invitations will be mailed out this week. To alleviate any parking concerns, there will be shuttle transportation provided between Cowlitz Dental/Red Canoe parking lot on Front Avenue North and the Visitor Center.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Councilmember Queen made a motion, seconded by Rose to approve of the minutes of the June 27, 2016, regular council meeting. By roll call vote; unanimous 'Aye'.
2. Councilmember Queen made a motion, seconded by Rose to approve payment of June invoices in the amount of \$471,403.58 as described on the Fund Transaction Summary and further described as check numbers 47259 through 47337 for general expenditures and check numbers 24768 through 24788 for payroll expenses, adjustment number 456-6/16, EFT Payroll Draw 6/15/16 and EFT Payroll 6/30/16, NACHA Draw #1778687 and Month End NACHA Batch#1781130.

Covington noted that Councilmember Art Lee had reviewed invoices prior to this meeting. Councilmember Lee did not note any issues with the expenditures.

By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Councilmember Kessler made a motion, seconded by Queen to approve Resolution No. 2016-05, a resolution authorizing the city to submit an application for grant funding assistance for Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) project to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board as provided in Chapter 79A.15 and 79A.25 RCW, WAC 286 and other applicable authorities, on second reading. By roll call vote; unanimous 'Aye'.
2. Councilmember Queen made a motion, seconded by Kessler to approve Resolution No. 2016-06, a resolution adopting the Six-Year Transportation Plan, 2017-2022, on second reading. By roll call vote; unanimous 'Aye'.
3. Councilmember Rose made a motion, seconded by Kessler to approve Resolution No. 2016-07, a resolution asking qualified voters of the City of Castle Rock to fund by Special Excess levy the furnishing of public library services, on second reading. By roll call vote; unanimous 'Aye'.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Carey Mackey, representing Red Canoe Credit Union submitted an email requesting permission to use city right-of-way to post banners at the north and south entrances to the city notifying the public of their annual 'Fill The Canoe' school supply donation drive. This event is scheduled for July 25th through August 12th and directly benefits local schools. Design of the banners will be consistent

with previous years. Councilmember Kessler made a motion, seconded by Queen to approve Red Canoe Credit Union's request to place banners on city right of way for the event. By roll call vote; unanimous 'Aye'.

2. Councilmember Lee reported that a resident had contacted him regarding a dog bite issue. He was told that the court dropped the case due to a technical problem with the city's municipal code regarding dangerous dogs. Councilmember Lee did not know the specifics of the case and requested the city attorney research the incident to see if city code needs to be updated. Chief Heuer stated there was compelling evidence that the dog was not wearing the mandated orange collar, despite being declared a dangerous dog. Mr. Randolph clarified this was a civil suit instead of a criminal action. The attorney stated he would do some research and provide a report at the next council meeting.
3. Councilmember Rose noted the city still needs to address the section of new sidewalk on State Route 504 where vehicles continue to drive. Vorse stated he has been working with the State to address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Helenberg adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Mayor Paul Helenberg

Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington