Mayor Barbara Larsen called the Regular Meeting of the Castle Rock City Council to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following councilmembers were present: Greg Marcil, Ed Smith and Jeff Skeie. Councilmember Khembar Yund was absent.

Councilmember Skeie made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2006 Budget Workshop meeting.

During discussion: Councilmember Skeie stated he had arrived late and would like the time that he arrived denoted in the minutes.

Vote on above motion: By roll call vote, unanimous ‘Aye’.

Councilmember Marcil made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2006 Regular Council meeting. By roll call vote, unanimous ‘Aye’.

City Attorney Tom O’Neill reports that Humane Society Director Scott Chandler and Police Chief Bob Heuer have not had an opportunity to meet to address the concerns about proposed Ordinance No. 2006-08, regarding dangerous animals.

Councilmember Bean arrived at 7:38 p.m.

Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington stated that the coverage level and deductible for the FEMA National Flood Insurance Program remains the same as last year. Covington will be canceling the policy for the Fire Hall, since the city no longer owns that building. Fire Chief Eric Koreis has been notified.

Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington requests payment of August expenditures in the amount of $315,197.57 as outlined on the Summary of Claims and further described as check numbers 35128 through 35312 for general expenditures and check numbers 19151 through 19193 for payroll expenses.

Councilmember Marcil made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve payment of August 2006 invoices in the amount of $315,197.57, as described in the Summary of Claims. By roll call vote, unanimous ‘Aye’.

Covington requests payment of two invoices which were received too late to be included in the Summary of Claims, in the amount of $14,696.55. These invoices are from Triple S Excavation & Grading for work completed on the North Avenue Stormwater Replacement Project Phase 3 and bank reconstruction on Merrill Avenue.
Councilmember Smith made a motion, seconded by Marcil to approve payment of Invoices #1532 and #1533 to Triple S Excavation & Grading in the amount of $14,696.55.

During discussion: Councilmember Skeie noted that Public Works Director David Vorse has signed these invoices, approving the validity of the expense.

Vote on motion: By roll call vote, unanimous ‘Aye’.

Covington inquired if council would like to have a workshop meeting on the ‘Draft’ Subdivision Ordinance before a public hearing is held. The City Engineer, City Planner and Planning Commission have completely redrafted this ordinance to bring it up to current statewide standards.

Councilmember Skeie noted that it may be easier to absorb this ordinance if the people that are responsible for it review it with council.

Covington will contact the City Engineer and City Planner to schedule a workshop meeting on the Subdivision Ordinance. Councilmembers asked that the meeting be held on September 25th at 6:00 p.m.

Librarian Vicki Selander reports that the Library will be holding a book sale during the upcoming weekend.

Report of Meetings
Councilmember Marcil attended a Boat Launch meeting on September 7th. Public Works Director David Vorse will be giving the presentation for state funding in Olympia on September 26th.

Councilmember Skeie attended a meeting with the Cowlitz County Commissioners in Kalama on the need for a meth tax.

Mayor Barbara Larsen attended the exit audit on August 30th. That report was distributed to councilmembers and will be forwarded to The Daily News. No findings for concern were reported.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting on September 14th and a Regional Information Forum will be held on September 15th.

Per the request of the City Attorney, proposed Ordinance No. 2006-08 regarding dangerous animals is tabled until the next meeting.

Covington stated that she has been comparing investment rate opportunities. Washington State Local Government Investment Pool appears to be the best consistent investment available within the parameters for municipalities. This agency also has oversight from the State Auditor’s office and is used by many
municipalities, including Cowlitz County. She outlined what is needed from council to allow participation in the program.

Councilmember Smith made a motion, seconded by Skeie to approve Resolution No. 2006-15 authorizing investment of City of Castle Rock, Washington monies in the Local Government Investment Pool, on first reading. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.

Mayor Larsen reports that Police Chief Bob Heuer will be meeting with each councilmember to provide required NIMS training. These training requirements must be completed by September 30th. Past Councilmember Howard Mason will also receive NIMS training to be available to work at the countywide Emergency Operation Center, if needed.

Fair Board Director Yvonne Knuth thanked the Public Works Department, the Police Department and City Hall for helping with the fair. In turn, Councilmember Smith also thanked Knuth for all that she does for the community.

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

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Mayor Barbara Larsen

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Clerk-Treasurer