

- 003 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: Khembar Yund, Greg Marcil, Julie Bean and Jeff Skeie. Councilmember Ed Smith was absent.
- 017 Councilmember Skeie made a motion, seconded by Marcil to approve minutes for the April 25, 2005 Regular Council meeting. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 033 Steve White, Police Chaplain, announced that in 1962 President Kennedy signed into law a public declaration to create National Police Week, recognizing dedicated officers throughout the nation. This year National Police Week will be observed May 15th through May 21st.
- 099 Councilmember Skeie read a proclamation designating May 15-21, 2005 as National Police Week and encouraging all citizens in Castle Rock to support the efforts put forth by the city's police force. Skeie presented the proclamation to Police Sergeant Scott Neves.
- 144 Fire Chief Eric Koreis reviewed Emergency Medical Service response statistics. In May 2004 the year-to-date transports were
172 At the present time, May 2005 year-to-date transports are 210. In May 2003 the year-to-date transports were 191.
- Koreis has met with Fire District #6 officers and reported that they are in support of consolidating fire department services. However there have been concerns expressed over a concern for increased taxation for city residents. Koreis added that he will be meeting with Fire District #6 Commissioners to discuss annexation as well as the alternative of contracting for service, should the annexation not pass approval.
- 174 Fire Chief Eric Koreis requests approval of two Ambulance Standby Service Contracts, one for the Mt St Helens Motorcycle Club and another for Pac Rim Promotions. Deposit requirements and fees covered in this contract were reviewed.
- 224 Councilmember Yund made a motion, seconded by Bean to approve the Ambulance Standby Service Contract for the Mt St Helens Motorcycle Club. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 228 Councilmember Yund made a motion, seconded by Marcil to approve the Ambulance Standby Service Contract for Pac Rim Promotions. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 231 Koreis reports that the training burn involving the residential structure at 65 Jackson Street NW was successfully completed.
- 241 Koreis stated that Emergency Medical Service Week will be observed later in May. Fire Department personnel plan to visit centers for the elderly as a public education service during that week.
- 253 Preceptor Gamma Chapter of BSP submitted a permit application to sell fireworks. City Attorney Tom O'Neill reports that Castle Rock Municipal Code Chapter 5.32.040 restricts the number of fireworks

licenses to be issued annually within city limits to only two. Two permits have already been issued this year.

Councilmember Yund recommended that a deadline to receive all firework permit applications be established. O'Neill disclosed that Washington State statute does not limit the number of fireworks licenses that a city can issue. In answer to a question posed by Councilmember Skeie, Councilmember Marcil stated he thought that the number of applications to be considered is based on population, to prevent overwhelming the market with vendors. Councilmember Skeie would like to establish a clear policy for the number of fireworks licenses that are issued.

In regard to the suggestion of creating a deadline for acceptance of fireworks applications, O'Neill proposed creating a "window" with no applications being accepted before a specified date and no applications accepted after a specified date. Councilmember Bean is of the opinion that a "window" would provide an equitable system for reviewing fireworks applications.

Councilmember Yund asked that research be done to ascertain why fireworks licenses are limited to only two. The request from Preceptor Gamma Chapter of BSP for a fireworks license is tabled until the next meeting.

- 403 Police Sergeant Scott Neves reported that they have begun to convert upstairs at City Hall into offices.
- 410 Public Works Director David Vorse summarized steps being taken by adult volunteers and skate park users to initiate fundraising efforts, which included cleaning the skate park on May Pride Day. Vorse introduced Tira Cottrell, an adult volunteer, who outlined specific fundraising options. Councilmember Bean thanked Ms. Cottrell for her service to the community.
- 482 Vorse distributed two samples of sign designs for a Wastewater Treatment Plant entry sign. The approximate cost for an entry sign, based on the proposed designs is \$3,000 to \$4,000. The entry sign would be funded from the Rural Development Agency grant, if approved by the funding agency. Options included a scenic picture created by Castle Rock artist Linda Henson or using the city logo, which was also designed by the same artist.

Side B

- 613 Councilmember Bean made a motion, seconded by Marcil to approve the purchase of an entry sign for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, on the condition that the granting agency approves the use of grant funds to purchase the sign. Councilmembers agreed to use the new design for the signage. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 628 Vorse reports that the house burn at 65 Jackson Street NW went well and the site is cleaned up. Replacement of the fence near the historic jail will soon be completed.
- 643 Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington requests approval of April invoices in the amount of \$306,504.89 as describe in the Summary of Claims and further described as check numbers 33217 through 33345 for general expenditures and check numbers 18178 through 18249 for payroll expenditures.

- 646 Councilmember Marcil made a motion, seconded by Skeie to approve payment of April 2005 invoices as described in the Summary of Claims in the amount of \$306,504.89. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 671 Covington distributed a schedule of events planned in remembrance of the 25th Anniversary of the Eruption of Mt St Helens. Events will begin on May 14th and continue through May 22nd.
- 708 Covington summarized participation in the 2nd Annual May Pride Day. Due to activity conflicts youth participation was less than last year, nevertheless, 81 waivers were signed by participants for May Pride Day.
- 745 A Business Feasibility and Marketing Plan meeting was held on Wednesday May 4th. Covington reports that Chabin Concepts, Inc would like to receive all comments on the plan by May 11th. The plan will then be finalized and brought to council for approval.
- 777 Covington reports that city supervisors would like to seek council guidance on various projects. Covington requests council consider scheduling a council retreat to organize and plan future progress, with a tentative date set for Wednesday June 1st.

Report of Meetings

- 831 Councilmember Yund attended a WCIA meeting in Olympia which provided training in liability issues. Mayor Larsen attended a Community Action Plan meeting and reports that they are searching for a replacement for Judy Sloan. Mayor Larsen also attended a Council of Governments meeting on April 28th.
- 851 Mayor Larsen adjourned regular session at 8:35 p.m. for a thirty minute executive session to discuss two personnel issues and land acquisition.
- 861 At 9:05 executive session was extended an additional 10 minutes to discuss land acquisition.
- 863 Mayor Larsen resumed regular session at 9:20 p.m. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Barbara Larsen

Clerk-Treasurer