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- 0010 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 Ed Smith.
- 0050 Councilmember Bean made a motion, seconded by Marcil to approve the minutes to the June 26, 2006 regular meeting. By roll call vote, Councilmember Yund abstained, with the remaining councilmembers voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.
- 0107 David Vorse, Public Works Director advised that Jeff Horton, 356 C Street SW has requested the removal of two trees. Vorse showed pictures of the trees and noted that the trees do no appear diseased or dying, however the roots are surfacing and creating damage to the sidewalks.

Vorse stated that he advised Mr. Horton that city council has three options when requests for removal of nuisance trees are proposed: 1) Mr. Horton could ask the city to remove the trees or to assist with removal of the trees, 2) Mr. Horton could request permission to remove the trees himself, or 3) the city council could deny approval of their removal. Vorse also had advised Mr. Horton that he would need to attend the meeting to allow councilmembers to discuss the request and options.

Since Mr. Horton was not in attendance, nor was a letter submitted for the request, councilmembers tabled the issue until further information is received.

- 0354 Chief Bob Heuer provided an informational summary on investigation costs associated with the recent homicide and the two bank robberies earlier this year. Costs included approximately \$1101 spent on overtime, tow bill, UPS and extensive copies of reports for the prosecutor. Additional costs might be forthcoming in relation to hearings, trial attendance, and others. The chief stated this is the first homicide since 1979 and he wanted to update councilmembers on the financial status.
- 0544 Councilmember Bean made a motion, seconded by Yund to approve payment of June expenditures in the amount of \$274,856.32 as outlined on the Summary of Claims and further described as check numbers 34790 through 35007 for General expenditures and check numbers 19058 through 19106 for Payroll expenses. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 0630 <u>Council Report Of Meetings</u>: Councilmember Smith will be attending a Mosquito Board meeting this Tuesday.

- 0660 Per CRMC 2.04.060, Mayor Larsen waived second reading of Resolution No. 2006-10, a resolution opposing mining on Mt. St. Helens. This resolution received qualifying votes and was passed at the previous meeting.
- 0663 Councilmember Skeie arrived at 7:45 p.m.
- 0673 Councilmember reviewed the proposed interlocal agreement addendum between Cowlitz County Fire Protection District #6 and the City of Castle Rock which allows the city to receive reimbursement for clerical and administrative expenses. Currently administrative costs relating to ambulance transport have not declined because the Fire District is operating on the city's license until the district receives full licensure for ALS transports.

Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington stated the city attorney drafted this proposed addendum and Cowlitz County Fire Protection District #6 Chief Eric Koreis has given his approval. As noted, the agreement includes a monthly charge for these services, which needs to be determined by council action.

As requested by council, Covington stated the finance office staff logged their time during the week of June $13^{th} - 23^{rd}$. This amounted to approximately 6.5 hours. Using hourly wage totals for the two clerical positions, this would equate to approximately \$385.84 per month. Covington noted that prior to the fire district annexation, the Ambulance Service Fund was being charged \$300 per month for administrative services charges. These charges were originally directed by council and continue to be standard practice for those proprietary funds requiring administrative services from General Fund departments.

Covington described the monthly process for charging administrative fees for ambulance services and noted that she would like to eliminate this work if council decides not to continue to invoice the Fire District.

In answer to Mayor Larsen's question, Covington had been informed by Chief Koreis that the district has received temporary licensing. Full licensing is required before the district can bill for Medicare services.

- 0900 Councilmember Yund made a motion, seconded by Bean to accept the proposed Interlocal Agreement Addendum between Cowlitz Fire District #6 and the City of Castle Rock to allow the city to charge \$300 per month for administrative costs. This agreement to be in force and effect until the Fire District obtains the requisite licensure and authority to provide and bill for services. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 1003 Chuck Wallace, candidate for Cowlitz County Commission, District #3 introduced himself and offered to answer any questions following the council meeting.

- 1059 Mayor Larsen adjourned regular session at 7:50 p.m. for a fifteen minute Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue.
- 1063 Mayor Larsen reconvened regular session at 8:02 p.m.
- 1074 Councilmember Smith made a motion, seconded by Bean to allow the mayor to respond to the Teamsters request. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'.
- 1098 Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Mayor Barbara Larsen

Clerk-Treasurer