

MEETING OF THE CITY OF CONNELL, WASHINGTON  
CONNELL, FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

February 21, 2012

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Connell City Council was called to order by Mayor Walton at 7:00 pm in the City Hall and was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gary Walton, Mayor Pro Tem Monica Pruet, and Councilmembers: Lee Barrow and Jared Broberg.

**EXCUSED:** Councilmember Klindworth and Councilmember Quinton  
**Motion:** Councilmember Broberg moved to excuse Councilmember Klindworth and Councilmember Quinton. Councilmember Barrow seconded. Motion carried out unanimously.

**STAFF:** Attorney Dan Hultgren, City Administrator Steve Taylor, Building Services Clerk Patti Swan, Police Chief Mike Kessler, Fire Chief Schulte, and City Clerk/Treasurer Maria Peña.

**VISITORS:** Kathy Bingham, Franklin County Graphic; and Mike Connelly.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Walton received Liquor License Renewals from the Washington State Liquor Control Board for Mei-Ling Inn, and Sun Mart # 18.

Jaeniffer Ang Kaiser was interested in serving on the Park Board. Mayor Walton requested Council appoint Jaeniffer Ang Kaiser to the Park Board.

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Pruet moved to accept Jaeniffer Ang Kaiser to the Park Board. Councilmember Barrow seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Pruet moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

- a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting February 1, 2012
- b) Check Register 1/31/2012 for \$8,082.71
- c) Check Register 2/1/2012 for \$200.20
- d) Check Register 2/16/2012 for \$4,116.40
- e) Accounts Payable February 21, 2012 for \$ 108,878.28
- f) Payroll Register 1/31 – 2/3/2012 for \$70,535.93
- g) Payroll Register 2/15 -2/16/2012 for \$52,586.18

Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Broberg moved to approve the Agenda as listed. Councilmember Barrow seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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DEVELOPMENT CODE UPDATE

City Administrator Taylor advised Council the first reading of Ordinances Nos. 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, and 924 was on January 17 2012. The original amendments were recommended by the Planning Commission following a formal public hearing and Commission consideration. The City conducted a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review and provided notice to the appropriate public agencies.

Mr. Connelly stated the objective was to clarify codes & make them consistent with state law. Mr. Connelly reviewed a few changes with Councilmembers.

ORDINANCE NO. 917 – Title 11 - General Provisions and Authority

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Pruett moved to approve Ordinance No. 917 amending Title 11 of the Connell Municipal Code relating to the General Provisions and Authority of the City's Development Code. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 918 – Title 14 –Building and Construction

**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to approve Ordinance No. 918 amending Title 14 of the Connell Municipal Code relating to Buildings and Construction. Mayor Pro Tem Pruett seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 919 – Chapter 15.04- Chapter 15.04 State Environmental Policy Act

**Motion:** Councilmember Broberg moved to approve Ordinance No. 919 amending Chapter 15.04 of the Connell Municipal Code relating to the State Environmental Policy. Councilmember Barrow seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 920 – Chapter 15.08 –Flood Hazard Regulations

**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to approve Ordinance No. 920 amending Chapter 15.08 of the Connell Municipal Code relating to Flood Hazard Regulations. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 921 – Title 16- Subdivisions

**Motion:** Councilmember Broberg moved to approve Ordinance No. 921 amending Title 16 of the Connell Municipal Code relating to Subdivision regulations. Mayor Pro Tem Pruett seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 922 – Title 16A – Development Administrative Regulations

**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to approve Ordinance No. 922 amending Title 16A of the Connell Municipal Code relating to Development Administrative

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Regulations. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 923 – Title 17 –Zoning

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Pruett moved to approve Ordinance No. 923 amending Title 17 of the Connell Municipal Code relating to Zoning regulations. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 924 – Title 18 –Manufactured Housing Placement

**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to approve Ordinance No. 924 amending Title 18 of the Connell Municipal Code relating to Manufactured Housing Placement. Mayor Pro Tem Pruett seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

WOOD WASTE RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL PROGRAM

The City purchased a tree-chipper late last year with assistance from a Department of Ecology grant authorized through the Franklin county Solid Waste System. The purpose of the tree-chipper purchase was to establish a program to reduce wood waste streams generated within the City. Resolutions No. 2012-01 would authorize the wood waste program and outlined the general rules and policies necessary to administer the program.

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Pruett moved to approve Resolution No. 2012-01 authorizing the Wood Waste Recycling and Disposal Program. Councilmember Barrow seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDING THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE

Amendments to the development code and the establishment of a Right-of Way permit program, and Wood Waste Disposal program necessitated an update to the Master Fee Schedule to provide appropriate cost recovery for the services provided. City Administrator reviewed the proposed changes with Councilmembers.

**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to approve Resolution No. 2012-02 amending the City's Master Fee Schedule. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL FIRE SAFETY REVIEW AND INSPECTIONS  
SERVICES AGREEMENT

The City required assistance in conducting appropriated fire suppression plan reviews and fire sprinkler system inspections associated with commercial and industrial development. The Washington State Patrol (WSP) had agreed to provide these services to the City following Council approval of the service agreement. The services are not provided through Franklin County, and WSP was responsible for providing these services to state and public educational facilities.

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**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to approve the Services Agreement with the Washington State Patrol. Mayor Pro Tem Pruett seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE, CITY ADMINISTRATOR, AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Hotel/Motel Committee meeting scheduled for February 22, 2012 at 5:00 pm.

City Administrator Taylor stated the sewer force main project's initial estimate of \$85,000 was now being estimated to cost \$150,000 to \$160,000. There would be a change in the original proposed design. The Sewer Fund was able to fund the extra cost for the project. Council consensus was to move forward with bids.

Mayor Walton called for a 2 minute break at 7:58 pm.

MEETING RECESSED

At 8:00 pm Mayor Walton announced an executive session for 10 minutes to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for lease or sale.

MEETING RECONVENED

Mayor Walton reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8:12 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business before the City Council of Connell, Mayor Walton adjourned the meeting at 8: 12 pm.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rose Courneya, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

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Gary Walton, Mayor