

MEETING OF THE CITY OF CONNELL, WASHINGTON  
CONNELL, FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
May 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 Pruett, and Councilmembers: Jared Broberg, Lee Barrow, and Jim Klindworth.

**EXCUSED:**

**Motion:** Councilmember Lee Barrow moved to excuse Councilmember Quinton. Mayor Pro Tem Pruett seconded. Motion carried out unanimously.

**STAFF:** Attorney Dan Hultgrenn, Public Works Director Larry Turner, Police Chief Mike Kessler, Fire Chief Chris Schulte, Police Officer Michael (Shane) Thorson, and City Clerk/Treasurer Maria Peña.

**VISITORS:** Kathy Bingham, Franklin County Graphic; Alan Schroeder, Anderson Perry, and Spencer Montgomery, JUB Engineers.

CORRESPONDENCE

The AWC Small Cities Annual meeting was scheduled for May 23, 2012 at 6:00 pm at the Community Center. The AWC Annual Conference was scheduled for June 19 - 22, 2012 in Vancouver. Connell Junior Miss Float won the presidential award in the Lilac Festival in Spokane.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting May 2, 2012
- b) DOC Offender Work Crew –Annual Agreement Renewal
- c) Check Register 5/1/2012 for \$205.52
- d) Check Register 5/10/2012 for \$6,008.76
- e) Accounts Payable 5/21/2012 for \$250,894.93
- f) Payroll Register 4/30-5/4/2012 for \$62,959.51
- g) Payroll Register 5/15-5/17/2012 for \$41,641.13

Councilmember Barrow seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Police Chief Kessler introduced the new police officer Michael Shane Thorson. Connell was granted \$11,150 from Franklin County Emergency Management for a radio repeater.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion:** Councilmember Klindworth moved to approve the Agenda. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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WEST ADAMS STREET RECONSTRUCTION & CIA ACCESS ROAD PROJECT BID  
AWARD

The City opened bids on May 17, 2012 for the West Adams Street Reconstruction & Connell Industrial Area Access Road Project. The bids ranged from \$797,074.00 to \$1,007,408.36. P.O.W. Contracting, Inc from Pasco, Washington was the lowest bidder. P.O.W. had complied with all bidding requirements including supplying the bid bond. Councilmembers were being asked to consider awarding the project to P.O.W. Contracting, Inc. and authorize the Mayor, or his designee, to execute all contracts and agreements pertaining to the award.

**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to award the West Adams Street Reconstruction Project to the lowest responsible bidder, P.O.W. Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$797,074.00 and authorize the Mayor, or his designee, to execute any contracts and agreements associated with the bid award. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO WEST ADAMS STREET ENGINEERING AGREEMENT-  
ANDERSON PERRY

The City had previously entered into an agreement with Anderson Perry & Associates for design engineering services on the West Adams Street Reconstruction Project for \$88,500. With the design phase complete, a supplemental agreement was being presented modifying the scope of work to include construction administration and materials testing over the remaining course of the project. Compensation for services was proposed to increase to \$90,000 to \$178,500 in accordance with the Transportation Improvement Board project budget. Anderson Perry would staff a full time person in Connell during the project. Completion date for the engineering services, including project closeout, had been modified to December 31, 2012.

**Motion:** Councilmember Barrow moved to approve Supplemental Agreement for West Adams Street Reconstruction engineering services with Anderson Perry & Associates. Mayor Pro Tem Pruett seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

KLINDWORTH/CAMPBELL WATER EFFICIENCY PROJECT PHASE 2 TASK ORDER-  
ANDERSON PERRY

Anderson Perry presented a Task Order authorizing the performance of design engineering services for Phase 2 Klindworth/Campbell Water Efficiency project. The Task Order defined the Scope of Work, Design Engineering tasks, and Compensation for services charged on an hourly basis and not to exceed \$35,000.

**Motion:** Councilmember Klindworth moved to approve Anderson Perry Task Order for Phase 2 Klindworth/Campbell Water Efficiency Project design engineering services not to exceed \$35,000. Councilmember Broberg seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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CONNELL INDUSTRIAL AREA FEASIBILITY STUDY FINAL REVIEW AND  
CONSIDERATION

Spencer Montgomery, lead project consultant with JUB Engineering, presented a final Connell Industrial Area Economic Feasibility Study to Councilmembers. The study's recommended action items were currently under consideration by staff, and a work plan was being prepared to follow through on the items. Councilmembers held discussion.

**Motion:** Councilmember Broberg moved to accept and approve the final Connell Industrial Area Economic Feasibility Study. Councilmember Barrow seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 13.20 CMC SEWER SYSTEM (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Council had received a presentation from staff and held a discussion on the proposed amendments to Chapter 13.20 of the Connell Municipal Code-Sewer System. Ordinance No. 926 would update the City's Sewer Code.

Council held discussion and the following was heard:

- 1) Concerns on making private systems connect to sewer within 60 days of the system being available within 200 feet of property.
- 2) What penalties would be associated with none compliance?
- 3) How would connection be enforced?
- 4) What were the costs to the citizens?
- 5) Could Sewer Fund make low interest loans to citizens?

**Unfinished Business:** Bring back to next council meeting on June 6, 2012.

MASTER FEE RESOLUTION AMENDMENT (Sewer, Water, Building)

Building inspections and sewer inspections fees were increased on the new Master Fee Resolution presented to council.

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EAST DATE STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT BID AWARD

Bid opening was on May 21, 2012 for the East Date Street Sidewalk Project. The lowest bid received was from AllStar in the amount of \$49,969.70.

**Unfinished Business:** Bring back to next council meeting on June 6, 2012.

GWMA AQUIFER PROTECTION AREA CORRESPONDENCE DISCUSSION

The Groundwater Management Area group requested the City to recommend that Franklin County move forward with the process outlined in Chapter 36.36 RCW to establish an Aquifer Protection Area. Creation of the aquifer protection would require the citizens to pay a direct tax to GWMA. Councilmembers held discussion. City had no comment at this time.

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STAFF REPORT

Councilmember Barrow asked about the City's Chipper Program. Public Works Director Turner stated the program would run from April 1 to October 31 each year.

City Clerk/Treasurer Maria Peña gave the Councilmembers updated financial reports, showing expenditures and revenues.

MEETING RECESSED

At 8:25 pm Mayor Walton announced an executive session for 10 minutes to review the performance of a public employee.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business before the City Council of Connell, Mayor Walton adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm.

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

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Gary Walton, Mayor