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The Chehalis city council met in regular session on Monday, January 13, 2020, in the Chehalis city hall. Mayor Dennis Dawes called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm with the following council members present: Tony Ketchum, Jerry Lord, Daryl Lund, Dr. Isaac Pope, Bob Spahr, and Chad Taylor. Staff present included: Jill Anderson, City Manager; Tammy Baraconi, Planning & Building Manager; Ken Cardinale, Fire Chief; Caryn Foley, City Clerk; Melody Guenther, Court Administrator; Erin Hillier, City Attorney; Trent Loughed, Public Works Director; Dale McBeth, Municipal Court Judge; Phil Neale, Hillier, Scheibmeir & Kelly; Brandon Rakes, Airport Operations Coordinator; Chun Saul, Finance Director; Glenn Schaffer, Police Chief; Judy Schave, HR/Risk Manager; and Don Schmitt, Street/Storm Superintendent. Members of the news media included Celine Fitzgerald of *The Chronicle*.

1. **Swearing-in of Re-elected and Newly-elected Council Members.** Municipal Court Judge Dale McBeth administered the oaths of office to Tony Ketchum, Jerry Lord, Daryl Lund, and Dr. Isaac Pope. Each member was appointed to a four-year term expiring December 31, 2023.

2. **Election of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.** Mayor Dawes opened the floor for nominations for mayor. Councilor Lund nominated Dennis Dawes. The motion was seconded by Councilor Spahr. Mayor Dawes asked if there were any further nominations. Councilor Taylor moved to close the nominations. The motion was seconded by Councilor Spahr. The motion to elect Dennis Dawes as mayor carried unanimously.

Mayor Dawes opened the floor for nominations for mayor pro tem. Councilor Pope nominated Chad Taylor. The motion was seconded by Councilor Spahr. Mayor Dawes asked if there were any further nominations. Councilor Pope moved to close the nominations. The motion was seconded by Councilor Spahr. The motion to elect Chad Taylor as mayor pro tem carried unanimously.

Mayor Dawes noted both positions were for two-year terms.

3. **Proclamation – Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.** Mayor Dawes read and presented a proclamation to Chief Schaffer in honor of Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

4. **Council Committee/Board Appointments.** Mayor Dawes distributed the list of various council committee/board assignments. The list was reviewed and all positions were filled.

5. **Citizens Business – Commissioner Edna Fund.** Commissioner Fund invited Lewis County residents to participate in Vision 2025 by taking a survey to help develop the county's five-year strategic plan. She also noted that last week at the Office of the Chehalis Basin, the Newaukum River was identified as an important spawning ground for the almost-endangered Spring Chinook. Finally, Commissioner Fund stated there was a friendly competition on New Year's Eve with several mayors around the county. She stated Mayor Dawes was challenged to participate this year by throwing Chehalis mints.

6. **Consent Calendar.** Councilor Spahr moved to approve the consent calendar comprised of the following:

- a. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 9, 2019;
- b. December 13, 2019 Claim Vouchers No. 127632 – 127762 and Electronic Funds Transfer No. 1120191 in the amount of \$852,458.15;
- c. December 31, 2019 Claim Vouchers No. 127763 – 127909 in the amount of \$430,811.76 and voided Check No. 127888 in the amount of \$4,565.24;
- d. December 31, 2019, Payroll Vouchers No. 41144-41178, Direct Deposit Payroll Vouchers No. 11600-11705, Electronic Federal Tax and DRS Pension/Deferred Comp Payments No. 274-277 in the amount of \$905,548.81
- e. Reappointment of Ed Stanton to the Civil Service Commission for a six-year term expiring December 31, 2025;
- f. Reappointments and appointments to the Planning Commission (reappointments of Kyle McKerricher and David Fitzpatrick to four-year terms expiring December 31, 2023; and appointment of Noel Sharp to a new four-year term expiring December 31, 2023). It was noted that Michael McCowan withdrew his name for appointment;

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- g. Acceptance of TIB arterial preservation grant in the amount of \$707,535 for the Main Street resurfacing project;
- h. Engineering services agreement with Gibbs and Olson in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 for design and bidding the Main Street resurfacing project;
- i. Award Kresky Avenue resurfacing project to Clark and Sons Excavating, Inc., in the amount of \$512,863.05;
- j. Supplemental agreement #1 with Skillings Connolly for construction management services for the Kresky Avenue resurfacing project; and
- k. Accept apron rehabilitation project as complete.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Ketchum.

Councilor Lund stated it was worth recognizing Ed Stanton's 38 years of service on the Civil Service Commission.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Ordinance No. 1005-B, Second and Final Reading – Vacating Alleyway at the Corner of SW Chehalis Avenue and W Main Street. Trent Lougheed stated a public hearing was held November 25 and the council approved the vacation on December 9 by passage of the ordinance on first reading. Mr. Lougheed described the vacation, noting it was entirely adjacent to Darigold (the petitioner) property, and the only utility within the property was a private stormwater system owned by Darigold.

Councilor Pope moved to pass Ordinance No. 1005-B on second and final reading. The motion was seconded by Councilor Lund and carried unanimously.

8. Administration Reports.

a. **City Manager Update.** City Manager Anderson wished everyone a Happy New Year and congratulated newly-elected Councilor Lord, as well as reelected Councilors Ketchum, Pope, and Lund. With inclement weather in the forecast, she reminded everyone that if there are issues with streets or other concerns to contact the non-emergency dispatch line at 360-740-1105 or 9-1-1 in a life-threatening emergency. She stated the city's street crews were ready to respond.

9. Councilor Reports/Committee Updates.

a. Councilor Taylor stated he had a conversation with the City Manager about people living behind the retaining wall along Kresky Avenue near the Home Carpet Warehouse. There have also been concerns received from the Twin City Town Center complex about individuals hanging out.

Chief Schaffer stated the people living behind the retaining wall were posted and will be cleared out on Thursday. Mayor Dawes stated there is also an encampment under the Chamber Way railroad bridge. Chief Schaffer stated they are looking at areas where hazards may be involved. No trespassing signs will be posted.

Councilor Lund stated King County buys bus tickets for folks. He asked if Chehalis could do the same.

Mayor Dawes stated the city of Lacey just passed an ordinance that apparently meets the concerns of the 9th Circuit Court. He asked that a copy be obtained and sent to the city attorney and Chief Schaffer to review. He stated there have also been some incidences at the Gospel Mission on Chehalis Avenue. Chief Schaffer stated the Police Department has been there quite a few times in the last couple days.

b. Councilor Lund stated he is now the Chief Finance Officer of the stream train group.

c. Councilor Spahr attended an EDC meeting. He stated they can't say a lot when working with certain companies, but there are some things happening. He stated he is coaching the W.F. West girls bowling team right now and they are undefeated so far this year. He stated he has seen several streetlights going on and off. For everyone's information, he asked who people

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should contact. City Manager Anderson stated most streetlights are owned by the PUD, but if people contact the city, staff can report those to PUD.

d. Councilor Pope stated a few years back he started a dinner for displaced youth, the homeless, and shut-ins, and this year 160 people were served. He stated the great success of the event was due to Twin Transit providing transportation. He asked if the city had a written agreement with the school district for use of facilities. If there wasn't one, he suggested one be drafted to include a process for cancelling planned events. City Manager Anderson thought there was an agreement, which was in the process of being updated.

e. Mayor Dawes attended the following: mayors meeting, Port of Chehalis ribbon cutting for their new facility; flood stakeholder update by J. Vander Stoep; Planning Commission applicant interviews; and ribbon cutting for Prime Lending in downtown Chehalis. He reminded everyone about the joint meeting with the Port of Chehalis on February 3 at 4:30 pm at city hall. He met with Larry McGee who will be providing a presentation at a future council meeting on the county Vision 2025 strategic plan. City Manager Anderson stated Caryn Foley was working to schedule that, along with scheduling a Chehalis Basin update and presentation by Joe Clark with Twin Transit.

9. **Executive Session.** Mayor Dawes announced the council would take a short recess and then be in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) – Collective Bargaining, not to exceed 30 minutes and there would be action following conclusion of the executive session. Mayor Dawes closed the regular meeting at 5:38 pm. The executive session began at 5:41 pm. Following conclusion of the executive session, the regular meeting was reopened at 5:55 pm. Mayor Dawes announced that no members of the public were present and the only member of the press in attendance was from *The Chronicle* and that reporter advised the City Manager that she would call tomorrow to see what the vote was about.

10. **Collective Bargaining Agreement with IAFF for 2020-2022.** Dave Luxenberg, the attorney representing the city in their labor negotiations with the IAFF reported the negotiating teams with both fire and the city have a tentative agreement for the council's consideration. The fire union has already ratified the agreement and on behalf of the city's bargaining team, he recommended the council ratify the agreement. He stated it was a three-year contract running from 2020-2022.

Councilor Ketchum moved to approve the 2020-2022 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and IAFF Local 2510 (Fire Personnel) and authorize the City Manager to execute the related documents. The motion was seconded by Councilor Lund and carried 6 to 0. Councilor Lord abstained from voting since he was not involved in any portion and had no prior knowledge of the contract.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:57 pm.

Dennis L. Dawes, Mayor

Caryn Foley, City Clerk

Approved: 1/27/2020

Initials: cf