CITY OF ELLENSBURG  
Minutes of Council Meeting, Regular Session  
January 4, 2016

Date of Meeting  
January 4, 2016

Time of Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

Place of Meeting  
Council Chambers, 501 North Anderson Street

Roll Call Present: Herion, Lillquist, Miller, Morgan, Scheffer, Tabb and Elliott.

Others present were City Manager Akers; City Attorney Weiner; City Clerk Reno; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Energy Services Director Dunbar; Power and Gas Manager Rowbotham; Civil Engineer Mattson; City Engineer Mayo; Project Engineer Hammond; Engineering Tech Yusi; and approximately 10 members of the audience.

Oath of Office for Bruce Tabb, David Miller, and Jill Scheffer

City Clerk Reno administered the Oath of Office for David Miller, Jill Scheffer, and Bruce Tabb.

Elect New Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem

Motion to nominate Rich Elliott for Mayor. Scheffer

Motion to nominate David Miller for Mayor. Lillquist

City Clerk Reno read the ballots as follows: Councilmembers Herion, Morgan, Scheffer, and Mayor Elliott voted for Rich Elliott; Councilmembers Lillquist, Miller, and Tabb voted for David Miller.

Motion to nominate David Miller for Mayor Pro Tem. Lillquist

Motion to nominate Jill Scheffer for Mayor Pro Tem. Elliott

City Clerk Reno read the ballots as follows: Councilmembers Herion, Miller, Morgan, Scheffer, and Mayor Elliott voted for Jill Scheffer; Councilmembers Lillquist and Tabb voted for David Miller.

Awards and Recognitions

Energy Services Director Dunbar introduced Tom Hammond, Project Engineer.

City Engineer Mayo introduced Darin Yusi, Engineering Tech.

Agenda Approval

Motion to approve the agenda. Lillquist

Affirmed

Consent Agenda
Items listed under the Consent Agenda were distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and were enacted by one motion with separate discussion to the extent any items were removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Tabb

A. Approve Minutes – December 21, 2015, Regular Meeting
B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions
(1) Environmental Commission – November 18, 2015
(2) Landmarks & Design Commission – November 17, 2015
(3) Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission – November 10, 2015
C. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Amendment No. 1 to the Contract for Professional Services with Electric Power Systems for Electrical Engineering Consulting Services
D. Award Bid Call 2015-31 – Community Renewable Energy Park Expansion to Ellensburg Solar in the Amount of $442,843
E. Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Library Services Agreement with Kittitas County and Authorize a 2016 Supplemental Budget Revenue Increase of $3,000
F. Award Bid Call 2015-40 – Sanders Road Water Main Project to Advantage Dirt Contractors in the Amount of $263,249.72 and Authorize staff to make Required Budget Adjustment and Carry Forward to Fund the Project
G. Authorize City Manager to Sign the Interlocal Cooperation Payment Agreement with Kittitas County Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Council

Affirmed

Boards and Commissions Applications

Ms. Burrows was unable to attend the meeting.

Council Assignments to Boards and Committees

Council made the following assignments:
Steve DuPont – 125th Anniversary of CWU Presentation

Steve DuPont gave a presentation on Central Washington University’s 125th Anniversary.

Staff will return with a recommendation for the requests for intersection and crosswalk painting and paw print decals at a future meeting.

Memorandum from Environmental Commission Regarding Plastic Bag Ban Recommendation

The Environmental Commission is recommending the phasing out of single use bags with specific components of banning plastic bags.

John Klein discussed the proposed plastic bag ban and stated he prefers an emphasis on recycling plastic bags rather than a ban.

Martha Duskin-Smith, speaking for herself and Our Environment, discussed the proposed ban of single-use plastic bags and submitted a petition in support of the ban.

Art Clark, 2710 Cohoe Road, stated he supports an emphasis on recycling plastic bags rather than a ban.

Ryan Anderson stated he agrees with the proposed ban.

Motion to direct staff to move forward with the recommendation from the Scheffer Environmental Commission regarding plastic bags and direct staff to bring information back to a study session at 6:00 p.m. on February 16, 2016. Affirmed
Citizen Comment on Non-Agenda Issues

Ryan Anderson, President of ASCWU BOD, thanked the Council for renaming D Street to Wildcat Way.

Public Hearing - Proposed Resolution – Amend the Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan

Mayor Elliott opened the public hearing to consider an amendment to the Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan.

Civil Engineer Mattson summarized the agenda report.

Council asked questions of staff.

There being no further testimony, Mayor Elliott closed the public hearing.

Motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2016-01. Scheffer

Affirmed

Motion to authorize Mayor and staff to execute any and all necessary grant paperwork Scheffer associated with the University Way Overlay and Vantage Highway and Pfenning Road Signalization projects. Affirmed

Proposed Resolution – Accepting Donation of $2,806.31 from Fred Meyer for Stan Bassett Youth Center

The proposed resolution accepts the donation from Fred Meyer for the Stan Bassett Youth Center.

Motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2016-02. Scheffer

Affirmed

Manager’s Report

Set Public Hearings

Motion to set a public hearing for January 19, 2016 to consider a resolution to place Tabb a funding measure on the April special election ballot for the Transportation Benefit District.

Affirmed

Councilmembers’ Reports

Motion to approve an excused absence for Councilmember Morgan from the Scheffer
February 16, 2016 meeting. Affirmed

Motion to approve an excused absence for Councilmember Herion from the Scheffer

February 16, 2016 meeting. Affirmed

Motion to move the previously scheduled Study Session on February 16, 2016 to discuss Tabb
single use bags from February 16, 2016 to March 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Affirmed

Mayor Elliott reported on potential flooding.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Scheffer

Affirmed

_________________________________ Mayor

Mayor

ATTEST: ______________________________________

City Clerk

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