

Plummer City Council Meeting
June 9, 2011

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Tim Clark.

Present: Tim Clark, Mayor
Terry Allen, Council President
John Wheaton, Council
Tim Stockdale, Council
Jannette Taylor, Council

Also present: JoAnn Conner, Melanie Meagher, Rich Christensen, Paul Sifford and guests.

PUBLIC HEARING Mayor Clark opened the public hearing for the special use permit at 6:07. Clerk stated that proper legal requirements for advertisement of the hearing have been fulfilled as required by the Plummer City Code and by the laws of the State of Idaho. Advertisement was posted in The St. Maries Gazette for two consecutive weeks before the public hearing. Notices were mailed to property owners within 300 feet of the exterior boundary and notice was posted on the property prior to the hearing. All governmental entities were notified of public hearing.

Kurt Morris stated his request to place a mobile home where an unusable home is located. Kurt stated that he agrees with the comprehensive plan, but realistically everyone needs to be able to use the land and that he would like to be able to use the land to make some money. He also stated that he didn't know the zoning was changed when he purchased the property

The Staff Report was provided by Melanie Meagher in writing and is made part of the record. The property was previously zoned Residential and is now zoned C-2 Main Street Commercial and it is currently unused. There is a house on the lot, but the house is unusable and needs to be demolished. The applicant purchased the land after the zoning change.

There was no testimony in favor of or neutral to the permit request. Testimony opposed to the proposal was provided by Wanda McPeak and Gloria Cuthbert. Wanda McPeak doesn't think the council should make a different decision than previous denied request in regards to the request by Gloria Cuthbert. Gloria Cuthbert stated she was denied several months ago and that if Kurt is approved it is not fair or just.

Rebuttal - Kurt Morris stated that this situation is different since there is a house on the lot already, and the main need in Plummer is housing.

CLOSED HEARING: Hearing was closed at 6:18

DELIBERATION:

Taylor stated that the land is zoned C-2 Commercial and we are trying to promote commercial on the Main street corridor. Allen stated that we spent three years working on and changing the comprehensive plan. Wheaton stated that we need to look ahead at progress. Needs more work for growth; John's concern is that if we have a growth explosion we will need business area to be developed. John also stated that we did deny Gloria Cuthbert for zoning reasons understands and sympathizes but we need to adhere to the original plan. Stockdale stated that he agreed to everything fellow council members stated, and asked Kurt Morris if he knew that land was zoned commercial. Kurt Morris stated that he did not know of the zone change. Stockdale stated that he noticed no upkeep has been done since the purchase of the property.

DECISION:

The Council's decision on June 9, 2011 was to deny approval of the request for a special use permit for a residence on Lot 3, Block 35.

The official vote for denial was as follows: Taylor aye, Allen aye and Wheaton aye, Stockdale aye.

REGULAR MEETING:

CONSENT AGENDA Jannette Taylor made a motion to approve consent agenda items, containing minutes from May 12, 2011 council meeting, Disbursements and Pay Request #25 for USDA Rural development, with the exception of the treasurer's report. Terry Allen seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT Mike Freeburg wanted to commend the City crew for the work they have been doing.

SEWER PROJECT Alan Gay submitted written report by email for council review.

WWTP OPERATOR Paul reported that not getting much cooperation from Alan on warranty work. Alan was at plant today, but only stayed at plant about 45 minutes. We will be having the final walkthrough at the end of the month. Need representation, as we have an active list of concerns

LIBRARY ORDINANCE Ordinance 413 giving the Library Director authority to manage the finances of the Library without having the City Treasurer maintain the books was read in full by the Mayor. John Wheaton made a motion to suspend with the full three readings. Terry Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed. John Wheaton made a motion to approve ordinance 413 as presented. Jannette Taylor seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows Jannette Taylor aye, Terry Allen aye, John Wheaton aye, Tim Stockdale aye. Motion passed.

SEWER LINE Randy Noble from TD & H will be here next Wednesday to look at site and give us an idea of the costs to engineer.

SURPLUS BIDS Received two bids, both were for the Asphalt paver. High bid was \$400.00, low bid was \$100.00. Terry Allen made a motion to accept the bid for \$400.00 from Hangman Creek Products. Tim Stockdale seconded motion. Motion passed. High bid of paver goes to Hangman Creek Products.

PAYABLES Jannette Taylor made a motion to accept payables as presented. John Wheaton seconded. Motion passed.

ICRMP TERRORISM COVERAGE Rich Christiansen stated that we already have coverage included in our current policy and that this would be extra coverage. Clerk stated that we have in past years declined coverage. Terry Allen made a motion to decline coverage. John Wheaton seconded motion. Motion passed.

ERNIE BROULLIRE Ernie has a resident that has been disconnected for non-payment of electric. The resident still has water due to it being through the landlord. Mike Freeburg suggested we contact Ernie and let him know, as he may not know his tenant has been shut off for non-pay electricity

PRIVATE RESERVE BASEBALL FIELD Private party wants to come in and level field to make it more usable for youth and a Tribal group is willing to come in and maintain it. John Wheaton stated he would like to see something in writing about who is coming in to do the work and who they are affiliated with.

LS1 CLEANOUT Paul and Jason request we contract out to have the LS1 basin cleaned out. Due to the amount of buildup in the basin it is increasing the number of hours it takes to operate the WWTP. Jason wasn't sure about the time it would take to pump out the basin, thinks it should be under \$2,500.00. Tim Stockdale made a motion to approve having the clean out on LS1 done. John Wheaton seconded the motion. Motion passed. Paul also informed the council that we did get the high level float installed on June 8, 2011.

AMEND BUDGET Need to amend budget for Cassell software, police car, Centennial funds and Water Grant. Terry Allen made a motion to amend the budget. John Wheaton seconded the motion. Motion passed. Scheduled Public Hearing for budget amendment on July 14, 2011.

CHANGE ORDER Change order #23 was presented for alarms connected on the WWTP system. Jannette Taylor made a motion to table change order #23 until we could determine if this should have been a change order or included in system. Tim Stockdale seconded the motion. Motion passed.

REPORT - ATTORNEY Rich Christensen reported that he was waiting on more information from city crew regarding timeline for removing equipment from poles. Rich will write a letter to Elk River letting them know that they have 45 days to remove equipment.

REPORT-COUNCIL Terry Allen reported that we are having issues with the roads, they are being torn up by construction and heavy equipment. John Wheaton reported that he submitted an organizational chart at the last meeting and would like the council to approve it. Tim Stockdale reported that he has been hearing a lot of complaints about the building inspector.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Tim Stockdale made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to 67-2345 (B) to discuss personnel issues. Terry Allen seconded motion. Roll call as follows: Jannette Taylor aye, Terry Allen aye, John Wheaton aye, Tim Stockdale aye. Motion carried. The Council went into executive session at 7:48 p.m. Returned to regular session at 8:21

PTO LEVEL No action taken level will stay the same

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Tim Clark, Mayor

Melanie Meagher, City Clerk