

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Paul Helenberg called the February 28, 2011 Regular Meeting of the Castle Rock City Council to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following council members were present: Ray Teter, Glenn Pingree, Earl Queen, Jack Reilly and Mike Mask.

Introduction of city council student representative, Genevieve Grant

Castle Rock School District Superintendent Susan Barker introduced the student representative to city council, Genevieve Grant. Mayor Helenberg welcomed Ms Grant and stated that he looked forward to strengthening communication and sharing of ideas through this program. Ms Barker stated that a student representative now has been appointed to serve on the Castle Rock School Board, Chamber of Commerce and City Council to offer a high school perspective.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Cheryl Wilson, Director of Caring Pregnancy Center of Cowlitz County – Presentation

Director of Caring Pregnancy Center of Cowlitz County Cheryl Wilson introduced the Secretary of the Board of Directors Carmen White. Ms. Wilson reports that this faith based organization was established in 1995 to serve women with pregnancy tests and the opportunity to earn maternity and baby items. This organization is supported by three local churches and private donations. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to the Mayor and City Council, along with an invitation to visit the facility.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works Director David Vorse:

Park Survey results – reported that a public survey was conducted as part of the Park Plan Update. 736 responses were received and reviewed. A draft of the Park Plan is scheduled for consideration by City Council, the Castle Rock School District and Planning Commission in March. Adoption of this updated plan is required to remain eligible for recreational grants. Vorse voiced appreciation to the Castle Rock Schools and Senior Center for distributing the survey.

Award presentation for Brian Engkraf - Vorse read a letter from Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington commending Brian Engkraf for potentially diverting risk of a fire at City Hall. Councilmember Pingree presented a Plaque of Appreciation to Brian Engkraf.

Vorse distributed an email summary of the meeting held on February 22nd at the boat launch to evaluate the float malfunction. In attendance were Mike Johnson, David Vorse, Brian Engkraf, Buck Savage and Wally Jajou, URS Corporation. Cost effective suggestions to resolve the impact to the floats during high velocity river current include:

- Removal of the end float following the fall salmon season until the spring run begins and
- Install buoyant foam to the underside before reinstalling the end float.

Clerk-Treasurer

January Budget Report: Councilmembers reviewed the January Beginning Fund File Report. Covington noted that General Fund expenditures are exceeding revenues. This is requiring use of the General Fund balance to be used. Covington noted that this trend will continue until tax revenues are collected.

Water/Sewer comparison report: Councilmembers reviewed the January Water/Sewer Comparison Report. The Water-Sewer Fund currently has a cumulative deficit of \$87,610; of which \$79,788 is from the water services and \$7,788 from sewer services. In answer to Councilmember Mask's question, Covington stated this is due to the beginning of the year expenses for liability insurance and low consumer consumption during the winter months. In response to a question from Councilmember Reilly, Covington verified that past trends indicate that this deficit should be resolved in the upcoming months.

COUNCIL AND AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Paul Helenberg

Mayor Helenberg reports that Councilmember Mask and he attended a Cowlitz County Summit Meeting to discuss consolidation of services. There will be another meeting in six months.

Councilmembers

Councilmember Pingree will attend a Town Hall Meeting sponsored by the CARE Coalition and Police Department on March 10th at the Middle School. This meeting will celebrate past and future successes of this partnership.

Councilmember Queen thanked Buck Savage for attending the February 22nd meeting at the boat launch, on his behalf.

Councilmember Reilly attended a Cowlitz First Homeless Meeting.

Student Representative

Student Representative Genevieve Grant reports that student funds were reviewed during the last Associated Student Body Meeting, with no issues noted. Ms. Risner is requesting student input on menu and schedule changes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of February 14, 2011 regular meeting minutes:

Councilmember Reilly made a motion, seconded by Pingree to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2011 Regular Council Meeting. By roll call vote, unanimous Aye.

REGULAR AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2011-04, a resolution authorizing Cowlitz County to prepare a Solid Waste Management Plan and Moderate Risk Waste Plan on behalf of the City of Castle Rock, for inclusion in the Cowlitz County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan, on second reading. Mayor Helenberg tabled consideration of this item until the next Regular Council Meeting on March 14, 2011, to provide the Clerk-Treasurer with an opportunity to distribute a

copy of the amended resolution. Councilmember Reilly specified that he would not be able to attend that meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

I Topped The Rock event; event approval and request to include on city liability insurance coverage: Public Works Director David Vorse, on behalf of event organizer Jim Worl, requests approval of the "I Topped The Rock to Reap a Harvest" event and city sponsorship of the event liability coverage. This event will be held at the Middle School with the same course as last year. Vorse will continue to work with the event committee.

Councilmember Mask made a motion, seconded by Reilly to sponsor the "I Topped The Rock to Reap a Harvest" event with liability insurance coverage. By roll call vote, unanimous Aye.

Correspondence from Gwen Boss regarding new fencing at Jackson Street retention pond: Mayor Helenberg noted the city had received a letter from Gwen Boss thanking the City for the wonderful fencing job at the Jackson Street Stormwater Retention Pond.

Gregg Misialek, Green Acres Drive, utility leak adjustment request in the amount of \$136.42: Councilmember Pingree made a motion, seconded by Queen to approve a utility leak adjustment at 111-A Green Acres Drive in the amount of \$136.42. By roll call vote, unanimous Aye.

Mayor Helenberg read a letter from Cowlitz County District Court, serving notice that District Court Judge Michael Evans has been appointed to Cowlitz County Superior Court. The Board of County Commissioners has appointed Ronald S. Marshall to replace Judge Evans. Cowlitz County Commissioners request that Castle Rock appoint Judge Marshall as Municipal Court Judge. By consensus of council, Judge Marshall will serve as Castle Rock Municipal Court Judge.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Helenberg adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor Paul Helenberg

Clerk-Treasurer