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Manhattan Beach Public Hearing and City Council Meeting

July 6th, 2010

The Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Paul Allen @ 7:04pm.

Member of the City Council present were, Mayor Paul Allen, Clerk/Treasurer Barb Hanson/Wannebo, Council Members: Janis Allen and Marlene Yurek. Clyde Brodt was unable to attend.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Janis made the motion to recess the City Council meeting and open the Public Hearing, Marlene seconded. The motion carried. The Public Hearing was open.

All property owners were notified by mail of the Public Hearing. (A copy of this notice is on file with the meeting minutes) Notice was also published in the Northland Press and on the City web page.

The Public Hearing was held to consider two new Resolutions.

- 1.) Resolution # 06A2010 Establishing a four year term for the office of the Mayor.
- 2.) Resolution # 062010 The Vacation of Permanent Road Easement. (Regarding the piece of property being used as the parking lot at City Hall).

The notice for the Public Hearing explained that a four year term for the Mayors office instead of a two year term was to be discussed and also the Vacation of a Permanent Road Easement on City property. (The parking lot).

The first issue, Resolution # 06A2010

Mayor Allen explained to everyone why the Council had called for a Public Hearing. Stating that the City Council was not in favor of both Mayor and Clerk/Treasurer offices going up for election in the same year that if the Mayors office and Clerk/Treasurer office where changed to four years then they would not loose both people at the same time, with this chance of change and all the developments that have happened in the last two years that it would be very difficult to possible has two new people elected and unaware of the new regulations and updates and the length of time it would take to get them up to date would be detrimental to the City, the Council did not want to be left in that position.

Mayor Allen read a letter from the City Attorney (This is on file with the minutes) stating that the office of the Clerk/Treasurer was by law to be a four year term and that the City had to follow the law. She also stated that the office of the Mayor could be changed before the next election to a four year term, so that who ever was elected at this years election would serve a four year term. This would take out the chance of the Council loosing both people and one or the other would be able to help the new one.

Mayor Allen asked that everyone wanting to speak to please keep with the issue being discussed that everyone would have a chance to speak.

Fred Gridley spoke about his dislike for the Mayor term change. And that he thought it should stay at a two year and that the Clerk/Treasurer four year term starts at this year's election.

Larry Wannebo stated his dislike for the Mayor four year term and that the City should look into hiring an outside firm for the Treasurer office then their wouldn't be a problem with someone new coming in and not knowing the accounting aspects.

Peg Boots also spoke of her dislike of the Mayor Term change and would like it to stay at two years. She did state she was in favor of the Clerk/Treasurer office being four years and did approve of the Clerks work.

The Mayor asked if anyone had anything further. No one else spoke on this issue.

The Mayor then addressed the second issue, Resolution # 062010

Mayor Allen explained the permanent road easement. The land next to City Hall that has been used as a driveway has had an easement on it since around 1974 to insure access to the land behind City Hall. Since the City has purchased the land and Mr. Dobie has other access to the land the easement is no longer needed and needs to be removed (vacated) as to not be in violation of parking on a road easement.

The Mayor asked if anyone had anything to say, Larry Wannebo stated that it was a good project and well done.

No one else spoke on this issue.

Marlene made the motion to close the Public Hearing, Janis seconded. The motion carried. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:58pm.

Barb Hanson/Wannebo
Clerk/Treasurer

Council Member/Mayor

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Janis made the motion to reconvene the Council meeting, Marlene seconded. The motion carried.

Members present were, Mayor Paul Allen, Clerk/Treasurer Barb Hanson/Wannebo, Council Members: Janis Allen, and Marlene Yurek. Clyde Brodt was not present.

Janis made a motion to approve the minutes of last months meeting.

Marlene seconded. The motion carried.

The Mayor asked that the agenda be amended to include both Resolutions discussed at the Public Hearing in New Business.

Treasurer's Report:

Claims & Receipts Lists Attached

Marlene made the motion to approve the Claims List, Janis seconded. The motion carried. Barb stated that two request for donations were received, one from Initiative Foundation and one from Crosslake Firefighters Car Show. Janis made the motion to consider the Initiative Foundation on the budget for \$100.00. Marlene seconded. The motion carried. Janis made a motion to decline the Crosslake Firefighters Car Show donation, Barb seconded. The motion carried.

Open Forum

Property owners did complain about the noise and foul language late at night coming from Manhattan Beach Lodge. This has been an ongoing problem with the Lodge and the Mayor did state that he had checked to see what the City could do and this will be on the Agenda for the next meeting. The Mayor and Clerk will be meeting with the County Attorney within the next few days and will have more info at the next meeting. Sheriff Dahl spoke about the Sheriffs Dept., crime and drugs in the area. Sheriff Dahl showed the public several different drugs and devices used with them. This was Very educational.

The Council did recess at 9:02pm.

The Council reconvened at 9:12pm.

Planning & Zoning:

Paul stated they have been working on several things, driveway access, parking space standards and roads. The PCA put Trout Lake on the protected lake list and there are new regulations. The storm water and erosion plan will be worked on next then it can go to the City Attorney for review. When that comes back from the City Attorney we can hold a public hearing hopefully in Sept. with a 30 day public review to follow.

Unfinished Business:

The property landscaping was discussed, not all information and bids have been received. The City did receive some ideas of before and after pictures that where very nice from Northern Lakes Nursery. Janis made the motion to table the property landscaping until the next meeting, Marlene seconded. The motion carried.

Open Forum

New Business:

The Planning & Zoning Commission has recommended Ron Rankin for the Planning & Zoning Administrator position. Paul read the contract the City will hold with Ron. Janis

made the motion to approve the contract with Ron for the job, Marlene seconded. The motion carried. Paul will take his place when he is not available.

The Semi-Annual meeting at City Hall was discussed and Marlene made the motion to hold the meeting Aug. 14th. 2010 @ 10am. (Potluck). Janis seconded. The motion carried. The City will send a letter to property owners and it will be put on the web site.

The term for the Mayors office was discussed. Marlene made the motion to change the Mayors term from two years to four years by Resolution #06A2010. Barb seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Ordinance #07-10 passed.

The Vacation of the Road Easement was discussed. Barb made the motion to approve the vacation by Resolution #062010, with the City Attorney to draft the resolution or ordinance according to law. Marlene seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Open Forum

Barb made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Janis seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

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Clerk/Treasurer

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