

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**September 2, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Councilmembers Bennett Boeschstein, Chris Kennedy, Duncan McArthur, Rick Taggart, Barbara Traylor Smith, and Council President Phyllis Norris. Councilmember Martin Chazen was absent. Also present were Interim City Manager Tim Moore, City Attorney John Shaver, and City Clerk Stephanie Tuin.

Council President Norris called the meeting to order. The audience stood for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Traylor Smith followed by an invocation from Bishop Dale Bowen, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 12<sup>th</sup> Ward.

**Proclamation - Veterans Administration Suicide Prevention Month**

Councilmember Kennedy read the proclamation. Dr. Nick Potochny, Acting Chief of Staff for the Grand Junction Veterans Administration Health Care System, was present to accept the proclamation. Dr. Potochny thanked Council for their support of Veterans.

**Citizens Comments**

Bruce Lohmiller, 337 Colorado Avenue, addressed the City Council and mentioned the school district is conducting lectures on sex education, violence, and freedom of speech. He then commented on night patrols, the uses of Whitman Park, and that Mr. Alan Storey did an exposé.

Richard Swingle, 443 Mediterranean Way, addressed the Council and showed a PowerPoint presentation on GroupWise email. He reviewed the history of Novell GroupWise and said the program is at the end of its life; the City should consider finding new software to replace it as a budget priority.

Ed Kowalski, 2871 Orchard Avenue, addressed the Council and wanted to give credit where credit is due, in that he was able to speak without fear of retribution. He then expressed his concerns regarding speed limits and drag racing. He said there needs to be enforcement because it is loud and they use jake brakes which are against the law. He mentioned the Chief of Police helped him get a sidewalk installed, but since this area is close to the City/County line there are two sets of rules along with the following issues: the street is ten inches higher than the sidewalk, no street sweeper service is

provided, there is a lack of maintenance and safety equipment at the crosswalk; and the lines need repainted and there is not a caution light.

### **Council Comments**

Councilmember Kennedy said the last couple of weeks have been busy. He attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wireless Master Plan (WMP) meeting; he is more informed on the Plan and is looking forward to the final presentation. He also went to the Veteran's Memorial dedication at Colorado Mesa University (CMU), met with Dave Montez, Executive Director of One Colorado and One Colorado Education Fund, which supports LTBG (lesbian, transvestite, bi-sexual, and gay) initiatives throughout the State, and met the final three Downtown Development Authority Director candidates.

Councilmember Traylor Smith clarified there was no vote at the Workshop on August 31<sup>st</sup>; it was a way to give Staff direction as to what information to bring back to Council. She also noted there is a 24 hour veteran's crisis text line, 838-255.

Councilmember Taggart was invited to attend the US Pro Challenge when the race went through Breckenridge; this is one of the largest international professional cycling road races and the largest in North America and the group that manages this event also manages the Tours of California and Utah. He was invited to Breckenridge to discuss the prospect of having a race stage in Grand Junction (GJ); there would be a lot to consider and he did not know what the cost would be, but, he noted, there were 5,000 to 10,000 spectators at the event. He also went to the WMP meeting and then he announced David Fiore, the new Grand Junction Regional Airport Manager, will start September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he attended Pat Gormley's memorial service that was held at the Avalon Theatre on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Other events and meetings he attended were the Museum of Western Colorado's board meeting and their annual fundraiser, the Feast of Skulls event at Dinosaur Journey Museum, the executive search firm interviews for the City Manager position, the WMP meeting, the Business Incubator Center (BIC) meeting, and the Colorado Riverfront Trail Host meeting. He also met with Dan Robinson and Bob Bray about changing the name of North Avenue to University Boulevard.

Councilmember McArthur said in addition to attending some of the previously mentioned meetings he also went to the Associated Members for Growth and Development meeting where Kristi Pollard, Executive Director of the Grand Junction Economic Partnership, gave an update on Economic Development (ED) efforts. He noted it is refreshing and encouraging knowing there is someone who has a handle on the ED issues; it is great to see the efforts that are being put forward.

Council President Norris said she learned a lot from going to the last two WMP meetings; one more is to be scheduled and she encouraged citizens to attend. She attended the

quarterly Joint City/County meeting; the two main topics of discussion were drainage and 29 Road. She went to the BIC meeting where she learned funds had been obtained to build a manufacturing center in GJ.

### **Consent Agenda**

Councilmember McArthur read Consent Calendar items #1 through #3 and then moved to adopt the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

1. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

*Action: Approve the Summary of the August 10, 2015 Workshop, and the Minutes of the August 19, 2015 Regular Meeting and the August 26, 2015 Special Meeting*

2. **Hutto Easement Vacation at 676 Peony Drive**

The applicant and owner of the subject property wishes to create one additional lot on 7.2 acres. A public utility easement currently runs diagonally across the area where the new lot will be created. The proposal is to move the easement farther north, if it is needed, for the newly created lot and vacating the portion that impacts the building envelope.

Resolution No. 39-15 — A Resolution Vacating a Utility Easement Located at 676 Peony Drive

*Action: Adopt Resolution No. 39-15*

3. **CDBG Subrecipient Contract with Karis, Inc. for Previously Allocated Funds within the 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year**

The Subrecipient Contract formalizes the City's award of \$10,200 to Karis, Inc. allocated from the City's 2015 CDBG Program as previously approved by Council. The grant funds will be used to purchase major appliances for the recently remodeled Asset House.

*Action: Authorize the Interim City Manager to Sign the Subrecipient Contract with Karis, Inc. for Improvements at the Asset House for \$10,200 of the City's 2015 Program Year Funds*

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**ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION****Grant Awards from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to the Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority**

These are two separate grant offers for entitlement funds from the Federal Aviation Administration for the Grand Junction Regional Airport (GJRA). These grant offers encompass five different project elements which include pavement maintenance on the primary runway and taxiway connectors and taxiway lighting modifications. Mesa County and the City are required to be Co-Sponsors of these grant offers.

Ben Johnson, Interim GJRA Manager, and Austin Fay, Project Coordinator were both present. Mr. Johnson reviewed the grant offers that have been approved by the FAA and said they will be attending the Mesa County Commissioners meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup> to gain their support as a Co-sponsor. Originally the grant was one application, but the FAA split it into two. He then noted there was one change to AIP #52; the application was amended to read the cost is “not to exceed \$2.76 million” to make it more in line with the bids they received. This year the total amount of grant dollars are \$2,927,760, all of which are entitlement funds for the Airport. He said in addition to seeking authorization for the grant agreements, the Co-sponsorship agreements also need to be executed.

Councilmember Traylor Smith said citizens have asked why the GJRA wants to redesign the runway. Mr. Johnson said the current runway was built fifty years ago; the subsurface is deteriorating and the FAA design standards have changed. Last year a geotechnical study was conducted to see what portions of the runway needed to be reconstructed. The conclusion was 50 to 60% of the runway needed full reconstruction to meet the new standards. To fix the current main runway, it would need to be closed for nine months which would be a huge economic loss; it made sense to build a new runway instead.

Councilmember Kennedy asked if Mr. Johnson thought the costs might increase in the time it would take to get the authorizations and have the construction contracts signed. Mr. Johnson said once the grant is written and signed, the price can't change. Councilmember Kennedy asked what the estimated construction time frame is. Mr. Johnson said the bulk of the project is temperature sensitive and will take place in early spring and summer; the studies and maintenance will be completed sooner. Councilmember Kennedy asked if they were not successful in being able to construct a new runway, what would the timeline be for repairs on the existing one? Mr. Johnson said the runway needs extensive maintenance every five years; a mill and overlay is scheduled in 2019.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked what the plan would be to land planes while a new runway was built. Mr. Johnson said construction would be done at night so the impact to airport operations would be minimal even though some of the connectors would be closed throughout construction. Councilmember Boeschstein asked if subsurface soil testing had been done and what was the condition of the soil. Mr. Johnson said yes; the results varied depending on the location. Councilmember Boeschstein asked how they would mitigate the poor subsurface soil. Mr. Johnson said this project will just be for a mill and overlay; no subsurface work will be done. Councilmember Boeschstein then asked for a status update on the unfinished building and mentioned Council had sent the GJRA Authority Board a letter regarding it. Mr. Johnson said the letter has not been discussed yet and deferred to Councilmember Taggart. He did not think there was a plan in place to finish the building; they are still responding to and dealing with the lawsuit from Shaw Construction, LLC.

Councilmember Kennedy moved to authorize the Mayor, the Interim City Manager, and the City Attorney to sign the Grant Offers and Co-Sponsorship Agreements for the FAA Grants 3-08-0027-052-2015 and 3-08-0027-053-2015 in the amounts authorized by the FAA. Councilmember McArthur seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **2016 Grand Junction Off-Road Request**

Epic Rides seeks continued success in the development and operation of the Grand Junction Off-Road Mountain Bike Event through extending the Host Community agreement with the City of Grand Junction for financial and in-kind support in exchange for being a Host Community of an Epic Rides Off-Road Series Event.

Dave Grossman, Event Director of Epic Rides, requested that City Council approve financial support for Grand Junction (GJ) to be a Host Community of an Epic Rides Off-Road Series Event. He described the event and its history in GJ over the past three years. He provided statistics and explained how the event benefits the community. He asked for the same host fee, \$40,000, and logistical support that was provided for the past three years. He thanked Staff, the Event Partners, and especially GJ Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB) Manager Barb Bowman.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked what other organizations are contributing to this event. Mr. Grossman said he is also working with the VCB, DDA, and GJEP to contribute funds; he is already halfway in that process.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked how much the City contributed last year. Mr. Grossman said the City contributed \$40,000 and in-kind logistic support in the form of safety, water, power, etc. that cost about \$10,000.

Councilmember Kennedy asked if the request was an increase from last year; he thought the City paid a \$30,000 host fee and provided \$10,000 worth of in kind services. Mr. Grossman said this request is the same as last year's.

Councilmember Kennedy said he had attended the event all three years and this year was very well run. It was a great three day event that brought a lot of people downtown; he said the City needs more events like this and he thanked Mr. Grossman.

Council President Norris clarified that the proposal from last year asked for \$10,000 in cash from the City, but agreed on \$10,000 worth of in-kind services. Mr. Grossman said the request is for \$40,000 cash and \$10,000 of in-kind support. He explained Epic Rides would like the City to be their primary host community; over the past three years he has worked with the VCB, GJEP, and DDA and through this work some of the marketing opportunity lines have been blurred. However, they would like one clear message to be heard, that the event is a GJ event.

Council President Norris said the VCB has committed \$10,000 and the DDA and GJEP have committed \$5,000 each, all of which are funded by taxpayers; the City gives GJEP \$40,000 per year for them to bring companies to the area. She then asked if Mesa County was contributing \$10,000 in addition to what the City was giving. Mr. Grossman said they were. Council President Norris again commented that was also taxpayer money and concluded saying Epic Rides is requesting \$60,000 from local taxpayers; she won't support the request right now and said it should be decided with all the other budget considerations presented to the City during the budget process.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked what the economic impact is for the City. Mr. Grossman estimated \$628,000 of taxable revenues was generated with the annual economic impact being \$1.7 million. This event is a powerful marketing tool and a great identifying piece for the community. It is also in alignment to position the Grand Valley as an outdoor recreation capital. Councilmember Boeschstein asked where those figures came from. Mr. Grossman said the figures were derived using the "In Plan" method which is an industry standard used to estimate the economic impact of a community event and 12 years of research and analysis of this event model from Epic Rides through a 2013 Economic Impact Study done at the sister event in Arizona.

Councilmember McArthur asked Mr. Grossman how this event compared to others. Mr. Grossman said after the third year, participation is about half of the original event, the Whiskey Off-Road. However, the reputation of the GJ event is exceeding the Whiskey Off-Road due to marketing, hosting a music festival, and the Grand Valley's exceptional trails.

Councilmember McArthur asked how many participants there were. Mr. Grossman said there were 447 in 2015. Councilmember McArthur asked what the projected participation is for 2016. Mr. Grossman estimated 20% growth and commented Epic

Rides will begin marketing three pro-events which should compound the positive impact.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked Mr. Grossman to describe the marketing process. Mr. Grossman said their marketing efforts are specifically targeted to what is an exceptional audience for GJ. Event participants earn \$100,000 to \$200,000 annually, have families, and are passionate about biking. Advertising is placed in leading publications for cyclers and adventure websites. In addition to paid advertising, the events have received exceptional coverage through glowing articles and harrowing stories. The events are also marketed regionally, nationally, and internationally; last year 30 states and five countries were represented.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked if the participants typically come by themselves. Mr. Grossman said, through their surveys, they have found the participants bring an average of three people with them. Councilmember Traylor Smith asked what the impact would be if Council did not approve this until the budget was finalized at the end of the year. Mr. Grossman said GJ would likely not be included in the series because Epic Rides would not be able to market the event at an upcoming press conference.

Councilmember Taggart moved to approve support for the 2016 Grand Junction Off-Road Event/Epic Rides in the amount as presented. Councilmember Traylor Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call with Council President Norris voting NO.

### **North Avenue Catalyst Grant Application for 2892 North Avenue**

A new business will be opening its doors at 2892 North Avenue, First National Pawn. The new building owner, Forbes Group, LLC, has submitted an application for consideration for \$10,000 from the North Avenue Catalyst Grant Program. This is the fourth application for this program to come before the City Council.

Lori V. Bowers, Senior Planner, presented this item. She first provided a background of the program and the previous awards noting the amount remaining in the budget. She then described the location and site which includes two metal buildings. The property recently sold to new owners. The applicant is upgrading the property, starting with the eastern side of the building; she described the planned renovations noting the architectural building element alone is \$20,350 and that the owners plan to invest in other upgrades to the property. The applicant is requesting the maximum amount available from this program, \$10,000.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he thought monument signs were now required along North Avenue. Ms. Bowers said the business owners are encouraged to install

monument signs, but they are not required. Only one pole sign is permitted per property, so the new owners will have to remove one.

Councilmember Kennedy asked what will happen to the programs unallocated funds. Interim City Manager Moore said it is hoped the funds would roll over for the 2016 program.

Councilmember McArthur said, in regard to the building, this is exactly what he had in mind for this program; this will be a definite improvement and upgrade. He agreed with Councilmember Boeschstein on the signage and felt improved signage would be the biggest improvement for North Avenue. He will support this request.

Councilmember Traylor Smith echoed Councilmembers Boeschstein's and McArthur's comments regarding the signage.

Council President Norris commented that the City is investing a lot of money on North Avenue but the biggest changes will come from the businesses. She hoped Council would fund this program for 2016. She will support the request.

Councilmember Boeschstein made a motion to approve a North Avenue Catalyst Grant Application from Forbes Group, LLC, located at 2892 North Avenue, in the amount of \$10,000. Councilmember Traylor Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call.

City Attorney Shaver said if an applicant proposed a signage upgrade to a monument sign, that expense would be eligible under this program, although that type is not required by Code.

Councilmember McArthur proposed a second program be considered for 2016 that would be specifically for signage upgrades.

### **Contract for Broadband Strategic Plan Consulting**

Broadband Internet service provides users and communities with many opportunities to improve communications, including enhancements in e-commerce, telemedicine, and educational tools, and can drive economic growth, productivity, and innovation. This contract will provide a strategic broadband plan that will help ensure the community's needs are achieved.

Scott Hockins, Purchasing Supervisor, introduced this item with Jim Finlayson, Information Technology Director. He said this item was reviewed by Council at an earlier Workshop and described the purpose of the contract. Mr. Finlayson then reviewed the Workshop discussion since it was such a big topic. Mesa and Garfield Counties received a grant from Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to conduct a study;



the City is ready to move forward and will take the lead. Region 10 (Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray, and San Miguel Counties) received a \$5.2 million matching fund grant from DOLA to install fiber optic infrastructure which they are currently doing and Rio Blanco and Routt Counties have also received grants and are proceeding with broadband related construction projects. Longmont was the first city to propose the introduction of fiber lines into homes and they have completed Phase I of that project. He noted Provo, Utah has been a model and Google has now taken over their network and is introducing fiber into homes at reasonable prices. Provo's plan will help the City figure out what to do right as the City does not want to be the last community in the State to work on broadband. Mr. Finlayson reviewed the main steps for the Strategic Plan Scope: 1) broadband friendly policies and codes, 2) needs assessment, market analysis, and business planning, 3) stakeholder support coordination, 4) preliminary design and engineering, 5) development of business model, and 6) financial planning and funds sourcing.

Mr. Hockins said with Council's approval, a contract will be finalized, a stakeholder meeting will be scheduled, a pilot project for the downtown will be designed and implemented, and a regional plan will be completed.

Councilmember Kennedy thanked Mr. Hockins and Mr. Finlayson and said 80% of citizens wanted broadband improved and this is the first step. He met with Diane Kruse, founder and CEO of NEOfiber at the Mountain Connect Broadband Conference and found she is fully aware of the issues on the western slope as her company is based in Glenwood Springs. NEOfiber is also working with other communities and helping them move forward. He is in favor of this request and felt the City would be able to move forward in leaps and bounds due to NEOfiber's previous work.

Councilmember Boeschstein appreciated having Councilmember Kennedy on Council since he is an expert on this topic. He then asked if this study is different from one talked about at a previous meeting. Mr. Finlayson said this is a different company and a different study, although both studies will interconnect; the other study will be done by CityScape and focus on cellular and internet access. This study will focus on land based broadband services such as fiber, cable, connection points to cellular towers, and potentially some wireless; they will work together.

Councilmember Traylor Smith thanked Staff and said this is very exciting; she has been a big proponent of getting local broadband caught up and staying ahead. This improvement will be a huge step for economic development and being able to attract and retain the groups of people that use high speed broadband.

Councilmember Taggart said he is very supportive of this improvement, but had one concern; he felt it is very important that this be a collaborative effort with Charter Communications and CenturyLink, even though it may be difficult because they are

competitors. He said other communities did not include them and it was more difficult for them to move ahead.

Council President Norris asked, once the study is done, will the City be able to apply for DOLA grants? Mr. Finlayson said that is a good question. He explained that the DOLA grant process for urban areas is complicated which is why it is important for the City to coordinate its efforts with Mesa and Garfield Counties; they have the ability to apply for these grants for some of the outlying areas of the counties. The good news for the City is that in order to reach those areas, cables need to go through the City to get there. There is real potential to apply to those types of grants, as well as some federal grants.

Councilmember Kennedy said the estimated project cost is listed as \$83,000 and asked, in addition to the main bullet points outlined earlier, what else is included for that amount. Mr. Finlayson said it is really a “not to exceed” contract that contracts for a certain number of hours and also includes coordination with Mesa County and travel expenses; it is possible the cost will be less if Mesa and Garfield Counties award their contracts to NEOfiber too. Councilmember Kennedy asked if it would be alright with Mr. Finlayson if the contract was modified to read “not to exceed”. Mr. Finlayson said that will be fine.

Councilmember Kennedy moved to authorize the City Purchasing Division to negotiate and enter into a contract with NEOfiber of Glenwood Springs, not to exceed the amount of \$83,000. Councilmember Boeschenstein seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Construction Contract for Colorado Law Enforcement Training Center (CLETC) Water Line Project and Materials Contract for Water Storage Tanks**

This request is for the construction of water distribution and storage infrastructure that will provide potable water service to the CLETC campus to be used for fire training purposes and for potable use in future class rooms. This water system will become the property of the Clifton Water District that is the water provider for this area.

Greg Lanning, Public Works Director, introduced this item. Mr. Lanning said the City partnered with Mesa County and Colorado Mesa University (CMU) to develop the Colorado Law Enforcement Training Center (CLETC) to meet the training needs of law enforcement and first responder agencies throughout the Region and State, as well as CMU Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Academy students. The training center is located on 80 acres on Whitewater Hill. Not unlike a new development, the developer is responsible for installing a water line to the provider’s standards and then turns it over to the provider which in this case is Clifton Water District who will also maintain the line. He described the project costs and itemized the particular elements including three storage tanks that will be buried. A good portion of the project will be funded by a Federal Mineral Lease Grant. He outlined the construction timeline.

Councilmember McArthur was concerned as to why the bid was so low, and asked if Mr. Lanning knew why there was such a big difference. Mr. Lanning said the bids were closely reviewed by Staff and the company for errors. Staff also made sure the contractor understood the scope of service and conducted a preconstruction meeting to review the details of the project. The contractor said there were no errors and they understood the details of the project; they explained the project fit into their schedule in such a way that they could complete it for the lower price and they appreciated the opportunity. Councilmember McArthur appreciated Mr. Lanning's attention to detail regarding the in-kind services and asked what those services would entail. Mr. Lanning deferred to Mr. Valentine.

Jay Valentine, Internal Services Manager, said Clifton Water offered most of the in-kind services on this project. Regarding Councilmember McArthur's question, he explained since the bid was lower than expected they had to proportion the grant funds.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked what type of sewer system would be used for the site. Mr. Lanning said it is anticipated they will use a septic system.

Councilmember Taggart said the difference on the cost of the tanks between the local firm and the out of town firm was \$1,800 and asked if there are any parameters for purchasing that would allow local companies to be awarded contracts that are so close. Mr. Lanning said there is no local bid preference, although it can be enacted. He was invited to speak at a Contractors Association meeting on that topic and found the contractors are not in agreement as to whether they would like a local preference or not.

Councilmember McArthur said there have been a lot of discussions; it's good for local companies, but it's not in bidding in other areas. The concern is that there would be retaliation from other communities that have preferential bidding. It can also get complicated with questions like what is a local company, is there a minimum number of employees, and would there be reciprocal preferential bidding.

Mr. Valentine said professional procurement organizations the City belongs to found local preference policies hit their peak right before the recession and during the recession many communities found it to be a detriment because they were not getting many project bids. Since then the number of local preference policies have diminished. Previous Councils have discussed this, but it is against Purchasing's internal policies for Staff to not bring the low bid to Council. However, it is within Councils' purview to not select the low bidder.

Councilmember Kennedy asked Fire Chief Ken Watkins what will be gained when the project is complete.

Grand Junction Fire Chief Ken Watkins explained the importance of having a formal training center. Live fire training, which is required annually, is the most difficult

because it is hard to find place to conduct the training. They have made use of donated buildings and other training centers, but it is very expensive. It is extremely important to have a local center; this is just one step and the Fire Department will still not be able to train there; training props are still needed. Councilmember Kennedy asked when the Center is completed, how much of an impact will the training have on the fire fighter's experience. Chief Watkins deferred to Gus Hendricks, Training Chief, and added that having a training center will also positively affect the City's International Organization for Standardization (ISO) insurance rating.

Gus Hendricks, Grand Junction Fire Training Chief, said in 2014 two structures were acquired for live fire training; historically the Department has averaged one to two trainings per year. The Training Center will provide the opportunity to be able to have live fire trainings on a monthly or quarterly basis. Councilmember Kennedy said the increase in training would be a huge benefit. He will support this.

Chief Watkins said this is a project for all agencies not just Mesa County, CMU, and the City. There are 11 fire departments in Mesa County, many of which are small and aren't able to have their own training center. This will provide an opportunity for the other agencies to train and to train with the City; the same benefits will apply to police training. He appreciated the support.

Council President Norris said this a CMU, County, and City project and funding sources from grants (she listed the contributions) and asked what about the County?

Chief Watkins explained, due to it being a Mesa County grant, they are not eligible to participate, there is a conflict for them to be part of this phase of the project due to the grant. City Attorney Shaver confirmed this to be true. Chief Watkins said Mesa County has participated in other phases of the project with quite a bit of in-kind services. Council President Norris also noted that CMU also contributed to this project.

Councilmember Traylor Smith moved to authorize the Purchasing Division to execute a construction contract with Sorter Construction for the CLETC Water Line Project in the amount of \$266,308; and execute a purchase order with Dodson Engineered Products for three 20,000 gallon water storage tanks for an estimated amount of \$98,570. Councilmember Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **Non-Scheduled Citizens & Visitors**

Tom Ross, 633 27 ½ Road, referenced the off road money request, and it is his understanding that Mr. Grossman said it is understanding that there is \$638,000 taxable income coming into the City during that event. From his calculations, 2.65% City sales tax would equate to \$16,907, County sales tax would equal \$12,600, and then State sales tax would be \$18,502 for a total of \$48,807. In his opinion this is going backwards

by giving them \$40,000. Also he asked about the internal investigation if it is still ongoing on the Personnel Director and the City Attorney.

City Attorney Shaver said the report from Mountain States Employers Council has been delivered to City Council relative to its employees. The rest of the matter should not be commented on as it is relative to personnel matters.

**Other Business**

There was none.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Stephanie Tuin, MMC  
City Clerk