

April 27, 2009

The SPECIAL Meeting of the Woodland City Council was held on the above date at the Woodland City Hall, Council Chambers, 100 Davidson Avenue, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Chuck Blum and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Councilmember John Burke
Councilmember Marilee McCall
Councilmember Darwin Rounds
Councilmember Aaron Christopherson (arrived 7:09 p.m.
Departed at 8:45 p.m.)
Councilmember Susan Humbyrd
Councilmember Benjamin Fredricks
Councilmember Tom Mattison

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk-Treasurer Mari Ripp
Police Chief Rob Stephenson
Community Development Planner Keiichiro Zushi
Public Works Director Steve Branz
Interim Fire Chief Joe Tone

Workshop

Facilitator- Steve Harvey, Cowlitz Wahkiakum Council of Governments
Presenter- Wes Crago, City Administrator, City of Ephrata

Form of Government

- Ephrata's experience
- Process
- Costs/Budget Amendment: Transitional costs, Election costs, Staff and Attorney hours

Recessed at 8:01 p.m. to 8:12 p.m.

- Information to the Public
- Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) statement; what's allowed and not allowed
- Mayor Blum's request and recommendations

Next steps:

- Cost of special election in Spring/Summer 2010? – info by May 4th
- Does entire council have to run again in General or Special Election? RCW 35A.02.050
- Does it go to an 8 member council if the entire council has to run?
- Unity of Council and Mayor- get an same page of the Mission Statement

- May 11th Workshop-6:30 p.m. presentation by Battle Ground followed by Workshop at 7:00 p.m. for Teambuilding & Communication
- Set series of Debate/Forums-pro's and con's (at Chamber, School Auditorium, Park)

The meeting was adjourned a 9:15 p.m.

Charles E. Blum, Mayor

Minutes approved: _____

Attest: _____

Mari E. Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer

These minutes are not a verbatim record of the proceedings.

A recording is available in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer