

**CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
CITY HALL – CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2009, 7:00 P.M.**

**ATTENDANCE:** City Commissioners Bruce Agrella, Jim Sohm, Jules Clavadetscher, Mike Lies, Elsa Duford, Fred Funke. Mayor Lou Marchello presiding. City Manager Todd Crossett present. City Attorney James Raymond present.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Marchello called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA:** Mayor Marchello noted that agenda item #14 is the same as #5 and asked that #14 be removed from the agenda. **Motion made by Commissioner Funke, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve the agenda removing agenda item number 14. Motion carried unanimously.**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

**B. NOVEMBER 1 TO 15 CLAIMS**

**Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Sohm, to approve the consent agenda items A. City Commission Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2009 and B. November 1 to 15 Claims.** Commissioner Duford asked about a claim made out to Timothy Lape for contracted services. City Clerk Aggi Loeser replied that it should be for Roger Wallace's contracted service and she would make sure it is corrected. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**ORDINANCE # 651 – SECOND READING – SEWER RATE CHANGE:** City Manager Todd Crossett clarified that the sewer rate increase being proposed is based on Carl Brown's rate analysis which will result in a lower sewer rate for low volume water users and increases for higher users, with no additional increases in 2010. Tony Parazzo clarified that sewer is not metered and is charged according to water use which is metered, except when it is adjusted for irrigation. In Brown's analysis the revenues were projected from 2010 through 2014. Crossett explained that the analysis projected a capital improvement fund and a replacement reserve fund of approximately 1.8 million dollars and 1.3 million dollars respectively. The capital improvement fund and potentially a significant portion of the replacement reserve fund would go toward replacement of the existing aging sewer facility. The cost estimate for the project was \$10 million dollars and will require additional funds from other financial sources in addition to the increased sewer revenues. **Motion made by Commissioner Clavadetscher, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to approve the second reading of Ordinance #651 implementing a sewer rate change.** Commissioner Duford said she disagreed with Carl Brown's projections because she felt the base year was not accurate. City Manager Todd Crossett clarified that the projection is using current rates and shows how the rates work from 2010 through 2014 with the current year, 2009, as a control year in which no rate change would have taken place. Commissioner Duford felt there wasn't sufficient support for the sewer rate increase since there were no proponents and one opponent who spoke at the public meeting. She felt the mid range volume users are paying the increased costs instead of the new users who are being added to the system. She can't agree with Carl Brown's projections. Tony Porrazzo clarified that the Sacajawea RV dump station is not metered and is a free service to the public. **Commissioners Agrella, Sohm, Clavadetscher, Lies and Funke in favor. Commissioner Duford opposed. Motion carried.**

**FURTHER INFORMATION – HEADWORKS LOCATION FOR SEWER TREATMENT – RON MELVIN, TONY PORRAZZO, SHARI JOHNSON-THOMAS DEAN & HOSKINS ENGINEERING, FRED PHILLIPS – GREAT WEST ENGINEERING:** Shari Johnson presented a cost analysis of three options for locating the headworks project, that is a follow up to the Commissioners' request made at a previous meeting. She noted that these cost estimates are for the structure only and the treatment equipment would be additional cost. She and Fred Phillips of Great West Engineering worked together to compile the cost analysis. The chart they presented indicates the following information. Locating the headworks west of Kerr Dam Road would cost \$2 to 3 million dollars, take 2 years to build a new building 10,000 sq. ft. in size. Pros are that it would be using the current wastewater facility site and no additional lift station would be needed. Cons are that the wastewater is not usable for other purposes and the riverfront land would not be usable for other purposes. Locating the headworks east side of Kerr Dam Road would cost \$2 to \$3 million dollars plus \$750,000, take 2 to

3 years to build, a 10,000 sq. ft. new building and lift station. Pros are that it opens up 40 plus acres. Cons are that the site is currently used for a soccer field and storm water retention and the additional cost of building a lift station. Locating the headworks on the east side of Kerr Dam Road using the Tamsco building would cost \$1.7 million dollars to purchase (currently offered and appraised at \$700,000) and upgrade the existing building now, which has 20,000 square feet and would need a new lift station. Pros are that it opens up 40 plus acres and provide 10,000 square feet of additional building space. Cons are that it would require an additional lift station. Commissioner Clavadetscher commented that the \$200/square foot seems high. Shari Johnson replied that included in the cost is a finished building including compliance with electrical and fire codes. Fred Phillips clarified that the cost was based on the cost of a recent construction of a headworks building in Bigfork. Shari Johnson explained that the 10,000 square foot building would provide enough space for a twenty-year growth plan. Their estimate is that it could cost below \$3 million with the total project cost of \$10 to \$12 million dollars. Commissioner Clavadetscher noted that the building was offered for sale to the Boys & Girls Club several years ago at \$750,000 and expected that the cost would be less due to the economy although it would be a solid bomb proof building. City Manager Crossett explained that the City owns the land and it cost Tamsco \$2 million dollars to build it in 1994, and the cost estimate to build it today is \$250/square foot. He asked that the City Commissioners make a decision at the next meeting, to pursue a route to finance the project and asked what information they would need to make a decision. Commissioner Clavadetscher asked how much land is available for the headworks next to the Tamsco building. Water and Sewer Superintendent Tony Porrazzo replied that if they bought the building which is currently being leased on a five acre parcel and there would be another five acres on the other side of the building, which would be 10 acres in all. The headworks would most likely be placed on the existing parking lot and since the facility would require a smaller footprint there would be plenty of room for other construction and the soccer field would not be affected. City Manager Todd Crossett said he would prepare additional cost analysis for the next meeting and asked the City Commission to consider the options presented tonight and contact him with questions before the meeting so they can vote on a plan to proceed with the headworks project. It was clarified that the sewer treatment modules (not the headworks) that would be placed inside the building would be chosen to fit the building and the pipes are all above ground making them easily accessible for repair and new technology revisions.

**REQUEST TO WAIVE IMPACT FEES - ALL IMPACT FEES \$33,450 FOR THE RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT AND \$3,736 OF \$6,227 IMPACT FEES FOR LAKE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND \$4,671 OF \$6,227 FOR LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY /SHERIFF.** The Impact Fee Review Committee recommendations are to approve waiving \$33,450 for the Rural Fire Department and to waive \$3,113.50 for Lake County/Office of Emergency Management and \$3,113.50 for Lake County/Public Safety/Sheriff: **Motion made by Commissioner Agrella, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to approve the Impact Fee Review Committee's recommendations to waive \$33,450 for the Rural Fire Department and to waive \$3,113.50 each for the Lake County/Office of Emergency Management and the Lake County/Public Safety/Sheriff's impact fees.** City Manager Todd Crossett explained that there are three entities in one location that are involved in this request, which is the reason the costs were broken apart. The Rural Fire Department deals with public safety and has an interlocal agreement with the City of Polson and shares the equipment and volunteer staff. The Sheriff and Lake County OEM is similar in that it serves public safety and they asked for a lesser waiver of 75% to 60%. The recommendation of the Impact Fee Review Committee are to approve the Rural Fire's request to waive \$33,450 and to waive 50% of the Lake County OEM impact fees and Lake County Public Safety/Sheriff's impact fees of \$3,113.50 each. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Agrella to amend the motion to vote on each request separately. The amended motion carried unanimously.** City Manager Todd Crossett noted that the Impact Fee Review Committee recommended that if the Rural Fire withdraws from the Interlocal Agreement with the City Fire then they will owe 50% of the fee that is waived unless the agreement is terminated unilaterally. Allyson Meslin expressed her appreciation on behalf of the Rural Fire Board for the City Commissioners consideration and hoped that they would continue to have a good relationship allowing for mutual help between the Rural Fire and the City Fire. Rory Horning said that he believed all fees should be waived for public safety projects, that the impact fees are being double charged when they apply to the public safety and the fees charged take away from the building quality. If impact fees are charged to safety related projects then the headworks project should also be subject to impact fees. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve waiving \$33,450 impact fees for the Rural Fire Department and if the Rural Fire terminates its Interlocal Agreement with the City, unless it is a mutual termination, it will require payment of 50% of the waived fee, as recommended by the Impact Fee Review Committee. Motion carried unanimously.** Rory Horning stated there should be no impact fee charged on

public safety projects and questioned if there is a time limit on the payback requirement. **Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve waiving \$3,113.50 impact fees for the Lake County Office of Emergency Management, as recommended by the Impact Fee Review Committee.** Rory Horning stated there should be no impact fee charged on public safety projects. **Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve waiving \$3,113.50 impact fees for the Lake County Public Safety/Sheriff, as recommended by the Impact Fee Review Committee.** Rory Horning stated that all impact fees should be waived for safety related projects and that charging them might affect any service they might need from them in the future. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**PURCHASE HALF SHARE OF LAND FROM WILLIAM INGRAM – GOLF DEPARTMENT-ROGER WALLACE:** City Manager Todd Crossett noted that last year the City Commission accepted a donation of half interest of .61 acres of land across from the Golf Course Pro Shop, the other half is owned by William Ingram. The person who recently made an offer to purchase the property is no longer interested, presumably because of building envelope constraints. Mr. Ingram no longer wants ownership and is offering to sell his half share for \$16,000, which is a reduction from his asking price of roughly \$70,000 previously. Todd Crossett said he spoke with Golf Pro Roger Wallace who felt although there is no immediate need for the property it could be useful down the road for golf cart storage, additional parking or use by the maintenance department. He spoke with Golf Pro Roger Wallace and City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke who both thought it was a reasonable cost and could be purchased by the Golf Department outright, although Mr. Ingram offered to carry the loan. Commissioner Clavadetscher questioned the purchase since they don't have a use for it right now. Commissioner Lies suggested the City trade the property for the triangle piece of land that the City purchased from Mr. Young, Lot 21 Hamilton Tracts, which hasn't been utilized. Mayor Marchello clarified that the City paid \$30,000 for that piece of land in November 2007. City Manager Todd Crossett asked the City Commission to give him direction by a motion to respond to Mr. Ingram's offer. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to offer to trade Lot 21 of Hamilton Tracts to William Ingram for his half share of .61 acres of COS#4014 Tract 2-A Less Highway.** Rory Horning suggested there should be more motions made to protect the public interest. Murat Kalinyaprak asked if it is safe to talk but did not make any comments when Mayor Marchello asked if he wanted to make a comment. **Commissioners, Agrella, Sohm, Clavadetscher, Lies and Funke in favor. Commissioner Duford opposed. Motion carried.**

**ALL BEVERAGE LIQUOR ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE – PRESENTATION OF OPTIONS – DECISION:** City Manager Todd Crossett explained that the City purchased the All Beverage Liquor License for \$55,000 when the value was \$100,000 but the market has changed and the current value, based upon conversations with the State Dept. of Revenue, Alcohol Division, appeared to be well below \$50,000. The City has had limited success with previous agreements to manage the All Beverage Liquor License. The laws changed recently after Papa Don's signed their agreement with the City to purchase the liquor license. Now the City would lose the all beverage liquor license if they default on the payments resulting in a risk to the City's investment. Also, after looking into a bank loan and assessing the impact of the recession on business, Papa Don's have stated they do not wish to purchase the all beverage liquor license. For these reasons, their management/purchase agreements need to be revised. It has become apparent over the years that some of the services that need to be provided to the golfers are not being provided by vendors the City is contracting with. A separate bar facility is not part of the agreement and if that was provided along with the food service it might be a more profitable arrangement. The owner of the Diamond Horseshoe recently verbally offered \$30,000 to buy the City's all beverage liquor license. The state auction of liquor licenses is currently around \$25,000 to \$30,000. The con of selling the all beverage license at this time is the loss of value which will likely increase in value in the future. The City or Papa Don's could purchase a beer and wine license. The new State law no longer allows municipalities to purchase all beverage licenses only beer and wine licenses. The City could put the all beverage license on hold, and have one year to sell in hopes that the market would improve during that time; then purchase a beer and wine license and negotiate a new contract with no disruption in service. With Wal Mart proceeding with their building there is a trend for increased demand for all beverage licenses and it might sell at a higher cost than selling it currently. Although if the all beverage license is not sold in one year then the City would lose the license. The City does have the option to operate a bar downstairs and keep the alcohol revenue and serve food from upstairs, which would be Papa Don's revenue, providing both food and alcohol both upstairs and downstairs. This would take place under an agreement approved by the State. To keep the downstairs all beverage license active in the winter months the bar would need to be open one day a month. The Golf Professional could hire seasonal personnel and supervise the bar staff and the beverage carts to provide

the best service to the golfers. The downside is that it isn't as simple as having someone else manage it and the City has the responsibility and liability. Council agreed to consider their options to sell the all beverage license and defer the decision to the next meeting.

Crossett handed out a breakdown of options: see attached.

**AMENDMENT TO PAPA DON'S GOLF RESTAURANT LEASE:** City Manager Todd Crossett noted that this agenda item is related to the previous topic of whether to sell the all beverage license. An amendment is necessary because Papa Don's is choosing not to buy the All Beverage Liquor License. The City could find them in default and go through the process of finding another vendor with a possibility of finding one that would want to buy it, or the City could run the operation and provide the service the golfers need. He recommended that they try to make it work with Papa Don, to come up with a mutually agreeable contract. Commissioner Clavadetscher stated that he received negative comments from golfers about Papa Don's service. City Manager Todd Crossett replied that several months ago he and Roger Wallace met with Papa Don's and agreed on certain changes, mainly relevant to morning coffee and food availability and beverage cart service, which he believes they have followed through with to Rogers' satisfaction. The golfers are buying breakfast at a drive thru and are not in the habit of a sit down breakfast and it is a struggle to break that habit. Commissioner Sohm said he went golfing three to four times a week with different people and has heard no complaints from those 50 to 60 golfers, who didn't find the availability of breakfast an issue. Commissioner Clavadetscher said he had a lot of comments from dissatisfied golfers. City Manager Todd Crossett explained that there is some history of bad blood between the golfers and the vendors of the restaurant who might have some unreasonable expectations for a private business that is trying to make a profit but agreed that they need to adjust and figure out how to make it work for them and the golfers. Commissioner Sohm said he recalled that they met earlier in the year with Papa Don's and worked thru some issues to improve their service to the golfers. Mayor Marchello suggested that City Manager Todd Crossett prepare a draft contract with changes that they could consider at the next meeting. Commissioner Clavadetscher suggested that the contract include specific hours of service they would provide and a compromise solution to the default of their contract should be worked out through Golf Pro Roger Wallace and the Golf Board's recommendation. Commissioner Sohm agreed that the standards set by the Golf Board and Roger Wallace and the City has to meet the needs of the golfers. Commissioner Lies asked that the contract spell out specific things that they are required to provide. Commissioner Sohm suggested that it include service standards. City Manager Crossett acknowledged their recommendations to amend the contract and set standards and noted that the same issues need to be addressed if a new vendor took over. He felt the reason that the restaurant was successful for a number of years when Roger Wallace and his wife Teresa operated it was because they had an interest in serving both the golfers and restaurant service. Mayor Marchello asked that City Manager Crossett and Golf Pro Roger Wallace, the Golf Board and Papa Don's prepare a draft management agreement to present at the next City Commission Meeting. Rory Horning suggested the City consult a food and beverage expert in order to run the restaurant properly. He felt the City should not be in the bar service and questioned if it could get liability insurance coverage to operate a bar. He suggested that they offer a round of golf with breakfast as an incentive for the golfers to patronize the restaurant's breakfast service and noted that staffing is very important. The City Commission agreed that City Manager Crossett would prepare a draft agreement for them to review and vote on at the next meeting.

**RESOLUTION #1003 – TRANSFERRING AND ACCEPTING CERTAIN PARK SPACES DEDICATED TO THE PUBLIC FROM LAKE COUNTY:** Building Inspector Ron Melvin explained that the parkland proposed to be accepted by the City are wholly surrounded by City property and are located in the Skyline 1 and Skyline 3 Additions. Commissioner Duford said a map of the parks would be helpful. City Attorney James Raymond replied that most of them are small and oddly shaped pieces of property that were dedicated parkland for those subdivision. **Motion made by Commissioner Clavadetscher, seconded by Commissioner Lies, to approve Resolution #1003 transferring into the City of Polson and accepting certain park spaces from Lake County that were dedicated to the public. Motion carried unanimously.**

**OCTOBER 2009 CASH REPORT:** Polson Treasurer Bonnie Manicke presented the October 2009 Cash Report noting that the General Fund Cash balance is \$27,000 which is significantly less than last year which was \$110,000. The total anticipated tax revenue, for this fiscal year, into the General Fund is \$1,024,881, which is up by \$94,000 from prior year. She knows that the Department of Revenue is working hard on the collections and a portion of that revenue is expected by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Fund 2394 Building Code Enforcement has a negative balance of \$11,857.70 and we are hopeful that later this year the economy will improve and building

projects will pick up, including the new Wal Mart building, which will hopefully bring the fund back to a positive balance. She noted that fund 2401 Light Maintenance District #19 residential lighting has a cash shortfall of \$759.49. She explained that Mission Valley Power provides street lighting and assesses a monthly charge. In October 2008 the amount charged per light pole in the district increased and the city's annual assessments were already posted to the 2008 real property tax statements, therefore, the increase could not be applied to the 2008-2009 assessments. Assessments for 2009-2010 should be adequate to service the light district changes in charges. The October 1<sup>st</sup> Golf Revenue Bond, Series 1998 principal payment retired \$80,000 leaving \$825,000 outstanding bond principal. The State of Montana formally approved a loan, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), for the water storage tank projects on Hillcrest and Skyline in the amount of \$750,000. The ARRA Loan "A", Series 2009, in the amount of \$416,300 is forgiven upon completion of the program requirement. The ARRA Loan "B", Series 2009, in the amount of \$333,700 is a 20 year loan, at an interest rate of .75%. The ARRA Loan "B", Series 2009, requires a Water Revenue Bond Reserve Fund established in the amount of \$18,979 to be held in the reserve fund for the life of the ARRA Loan "B" Series 2009 Bonds. The bond reserve fund was established on the October cash report under 5210 102220. The loan may be paid in full at any time during the term without penalty. The project was funded with additional grants provided by Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) \$750,000 and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)/Renewable Resource Grant and Loan Program (RRGL) \$100,000. The ending cash balance for all funds for the October 2009 Cash Report is \$5,994,678.16. She noted that she will ask the DOR for an interim payment of the anticipated tax revenue. City Manager Todd Crossett explained that compared to last year there is a \$100,000 shortfall in overall cash revenues as of the end of November – primarily as a result of roughly \$75,000 in uncollected 2008 taxes and an approximately \$100,000 loss on the part of the City plus \$50,000 in uncollected performance bonds from a Westana construction project that failed to perform. He asked the department heads to hold off on non-essential purchases until the December tax revenues are received and the City's cash position evaluated. He mentioned several options to consider in dealing with the low cash balance which are; to request an advance payment from the Department of Revenue, obtain a short term loan through intercap, borrow funds in house by resolution, or figure out how to cut the expenditure budget. He noted that City Attorney James Raymond is proceeding with collecting on Westana's performance bond, which would provide \$50,000 of revenue that is projected in this year's budget. He understands that the City paid over \$100,000 to place the infrastructure that Westana was required to complete for his subdivision on 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue East. He explained that the Building Department is not generating significant revenue through building inspections but the staff is providing their time writing grants and performing project management duties as budgeted in payroll. The Planning Director is using this down time to rewrite the PDC and her time is also budgeted half time between the building fund 2394 and general fund 1000. The General Fund departments were asked to cut down on non critical expenditures and the expenditures are within the budgeted amounts. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to approve the October 2009 Cash Report as presented by City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke. Motion carried unanimously.**

**RESOLUTION #1004 – APPROVE FY09-10 ASSESSMENTS:** City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke noted that approval of the assessments levied for each fiscal year is a housekeeping item. The one new assessment is the dormant delinquent utility service accounts, which is to collect water and sewer charges that are larger amounts and used as a last resort when all other attempts to collect have failed. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Sohm, to approve Resolution #1004 Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Assessments as presented by City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke. Motion carried unanimously.**

**SCHEDULE CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2009 AT 5:30 P.M. TO CONDUCT CITY MANAGER EVALUATION:** Mayor Marchello clarified that an executive session was requested by City Manager Todd Crossett because it relates to his performance evaluation. Commissioner Duford noted that the City Commission was invited to a Library Open House at 5:30 p.m. so there is a conflict. The City Commission agreed that they could meet at 6:30 instead. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve scheduling a special City Commission Workshop on**

**Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. and convene into an executive session to conduct Todd Crossett's performance evaluation. Motion carried unanimously.**

**CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:** City Manager Todd Crossett informed the City Commission that he is planning to conduct a stakeholders meeting on a regular basis in order to create a better relationship and a more positive communication process between the Rural Fire and the City Fire Departments. He commended the City for having established and maintaining a strong volunteer fire department and felt it would be quite costly and time consuming to replace the force if they left. Recently experience facilitators from around Montana met as a group and participated in a workshop as a group and agreed to share their services as facilitators for each other thereby returning the favor when needed in their position. He will ask someone from that group to facilitate the meetings and he will also assist in conducting the meetings. There are two personnel from the Street Department who are planning to retire in the spring so he asked them to do an assessment of the long term plan of repairs needed for the streets in Polson. This will provide a plan and identify the costs of the projects so they can look for funding to accomplish those improvements. They are also looking into creating a safety program for all the departments. He clarified that the wells' pump records are kept on site one month after they are completed in order to compare variables in the prior month. They are available after that time and will be put on the City's website for access without cost. With regard to land use decisions, he is working on tightening up the sign off process to include more department heads rather than less, in order to make sure all the departments' issues are addressed prior to approval. Regarding the concerns expressed about individuals smoking in front of buildings, he met with Lake County staff and had discussions with City Attorney James Raymond. The City's responsibility is complaint driven depending on the circumstances but the City has no responsibility except to advise the complainant to file a complaint through the State or County prosecutor. Smoking outside buildings might be less during the winter when it is cold but will again be an issue when it becomes warmer. The City can make a law to prohibit smoking within 20 to 30 feet of a building and that, unlike the State law, the City could set its own enforcement mechanisms sufficient to provide sufficient deterrent. Other issues include lack of authority over Tribal members. He noted that newly elected Mayor Pat DeVries expressed interest in holding a retreat for all City Commission members in the new year. He plans to ask for a facilitator for this event from the Bigfork and he would provide the same service to another community in return.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA:** Murat Kalinyaprak stated that the Polson Golf Course is the only government entity, in the State of Montana, with an all beverage liquor license which makes it unique and also a liability for the City. It requires special insurance and it could turn out that it is illegal for the City to operate an all beverage liquor license. He felt that since the resort tax was voted down by the public, he was right that it was a stupid idea. Rory Horning expressed his concern over the governing body's conflict of interest on certain issues and asked that they provide more transparency. Commissioner Sohm read his letter of resignation stating that he would stay on as City Commissioner of Ward 1 until February 1, 2009 or until a suitable replacement is found. He stated personal reasons for his decision and thanked the community, staff and Todd Crossett for their support and assistance during his years as City Commissioner. He felt strongly that the City has skillful staff. He was sorry that he would no longer be supporting the Lake County Youth Home and the Boys and Girls Club that are the organizations he donated his monthly City Commissioner wages to. The City Commission thanked Jim Sohm for his service and said they were sorry to see him go but understood and respected his decision.

**Mayor Marchello adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.**

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**Lou Marchello, Mayor**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Aggi G. Loeser, City Clerk**