

**Montesano City Council Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at Montesano City Hall**

1 Mayor Vini Samuel, Presiding
2 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Samuel at 7 pm

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4 **FLAG CEREMONY** – Pledge of Allegiance lead by Councilman Trimble.

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6 **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councilman Pat Herrington, Councilman Chris Hutchings, Councilman Ian
7 Cope, Councilman Tyler Trimble, Councilman David Skaramuca, Councilwoman Nikki King and
8 Councilman Dan Wood.

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10 **STAFF PRESENT:** Police Chief Brett Vance, Forester Loren Hiner, Community Development Director Mike
11 Wincewicz, Acting Public Works Lead Kevin Hegel, Public Works Director Rocky Howard, Senior Deputy
12 Clerk Kim Schankel and City Attorney Chris Coker.

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14 **APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Councilman Trimble presented bills totaling \$118,671.68 for check #'s 51464-
15 51482. Payroll \$118,671.68 for check #'s 39392-39396. Motion was made by Councilman Trimble to
16 approve the bills and seconded by Councilman Wood. *Motion passed 7-0 vote.*

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18 **MEETING MINUTES APPROVED:** Motion to approve the February 09, 2016 council meeting minutes as
19 corrected was made by Councilman Trimble and seconded by Councilman Cope. *Motion passed 7-0*
20 *vote.*

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22 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Patrick Wadsworth of Friends of Shaffer and Lake Sylvia are looking for help with
23 funding on an event in July called Chautaugua, to be held at Lake Sylvia State Park. The event would
24 consist of over 60 performers and would cost around three thousand to fund. Alice Hutchinson of
25 Montesano expressed her concerned about a marijuana store coming into the City. Discussion by
26 Council and a response that the current zoning would not allow a marijuana store in the City limits.

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28 **ORDINANCES:** Ordinance #1590 Governmental Structure, Amending Ordinance #1547 Motion was made
29 by Councilman Wood and seconded by Councilman Trimble. Oral vote was taken with a unanimous
30 "Aye" vote. *Motion passed.*

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32 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Conformation of Doug Streeter for CFO/Special Advisor to the Mayor was canceled
33 and held in open council meeting. Motion was made to confirm Doug Streeter for the position of
34 CFO/Special Advisor to the Mayor by Councilman Trimble and seconded by Councilwoman King. *Motion*
35 *passed 7-0 vote.*

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37 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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39 **Finance-** Councilman Trimble reported that the City is having some structural changes and made a
40 motion to approve Kevin Hegel to Public Works Lead step E, from Utility Maintenance Worker
41 Journeyman Step E, the difference in pay is \$952.52 per month and was seconded by Councilman Wood.
42 *Motion passed 7-0 vote.*

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44 **MAYOR'S REPORT:** Reported for the month of February she has been working on budget issues and less
45 on personnel. The Police Chief Vance has stepped up to be the Interim department head for the clerk's
46 office until Doug Streeter comes on in April. Main focus in February was accessing and interviewing CFO
47 candidates.

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48 **Forester Hiner** - Forester Hiner had nothing additional to report. After questioned by Councilwoman
49 King on how they were getting to the forest tour next week. Forester Hiner noted, they would be taking
50 some vans next week for the Council's forest tour.

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52 **Police Chief Vance** – Reported that he has been at business week at the high school al week.
53 Councilwoman King was concerned about the amount of traffic and speed on Third Street after the high
54 school get out. Police Chief Vance states they have three schools to cover and he will make an emphasis
55 on it.

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57 **Fire Chief Rux** was on vacation and his report is in the packet. Councilman Hutchins had question on the
58 number of volunteers the Fire Department was looking for. Mayor Samuel believes he was looking for
59 around 42 but only has around 32 presently.

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61 **Public Works Lead Kevin Hegel** reported with the weather is getting a little nicer now they have a lot of
62 maintenance to do and there department has been fighting the flu bug for the past two weeks.
63 Councilwoman King expressed her concerns about getting the last cross walk up by Simpson School
64 completed. Public works will get it as soon as they are able.

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66 **Public Works Director Rocky Howard** thanked Kevin Hegel for doing a fine job while in his absents.

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68 **Community Development Director Wincewicz** had nothing further to report.

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70 **Mayor Samuel** appointed Councilman Wood for her alternate at the Flood Authority meetings and
71 requested Public Works Director Howard to attend all Flood Authority meetings.

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73 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

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75 **NEW BUSINESS:** Director of Community Development Wincewicz presented a Permissive Use
76 Application from Fred and Anne Becker located at 722 W. Spruce Avenue. This application would allow
77 for the location of a 12ft x 12ft non-permanent metal car port in the unconstructed alley way. Discussion
78 by the Becker's and Council. A letter and pictures to oppose the Permissive Use Application from the
79 Whiteheads were also in the packet. This was continued to the March 22, 2016 meeting to get more
80 information from the four abutting neighbors and for the Council to go visit the site.

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82 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Patrick Wadsworth reported that the FOSLS have now got the legacy pavilion
83 project. The State is on board, this project is to be around two hundred and fifty thousand so far they
84 have one hundred sixty thousand in pledges and are asking the community for help.

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86 John McCain a resident of Montesano responded to a comment from last Council meeting about the
87 Clerk's office. He expressed that the service at the front counter has been always prompt, courteous
88 and professional.

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90 **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

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92 **Councilman Herrington** –Expressed his gratitude for the work that is done in the Clerk's office.

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94 **Councilman Hutchings** – Congratulated Doug Streeter and glad to see Alice Hutchinson at the meeting.

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96 **Councilman Cope** – Welcomed Doug, expressed that it is a great thing for the City and congratulations
97 to the Monte ladies.
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99 **Councilman Trimble** – Thanked the department heads for doing good work, Mayor Samuel for finding a
100 great CFO and asked to be excused from March 8th meeting.
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102 **Councilman Skaramuca** – Welcomed Doug Streeter back and thinks it is a good fit for Montesano.
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104 **Councilwoman King** – Welcomed Doug Streeter, expressed her concern about the old Whiteside Building
105 being sold. Talked about the Marijuana Matter, referred to Councilmen Trimble. Inquired about new
106 Hotshotz relocation. Reminded everyone that Jenny’s joggers and Tom’s trotters relay for life are having
107 a chili feed fund raiser for cancer on March 6th from 3-6 at the Monte Moose.
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109 **Councilman Wood** – Welcomed Doug Streeter and thanked Pat Wadsworth for his work with the FOSLS.
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111 **MAYOR'S COMMENTS:** Reminded everyone that if you park in the post office alley for your espresso
112 that you will be ticketed, March 5th is the Senior Auction and that the last two months for the City has
113 been transitioning with the department heads and employees. All the employees have been working
114 really hard. Interviews were exceptional and she expressed that they had an excellent caliber of people.
115 Thanked Dick Stone and Todd Lindley for being on the interview panel, also Doug Streeter for taking the
116 position.
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118 **ADJOURN:**
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120 Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Trimble and seconded by Councilwoman King.
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122 Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.
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124 Kim Schankel, Senior Deputy Clerk
125 Recording Available.
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