

MINUTES
Troutdale City Council – Regular Meeting
Troutdale City Hall – Council Chambers
104 SE Kibling Avenue
Troutdale, OR 97060-2099

Tuesday, July 12, 2011

1. ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE

Mayor Kight called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Kight, Councilor Ripma, Councilor Anderson, Councilor Thomas, Councilor White, Councilor Allen, and Councilor Daoust.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Debbie Stickney, City Recorder; David Ross, City Attorney; Scott Anderson, Chief of Police; and Erich Mueller Finance Director.

GUESTS: See Attached

Mayor Kight asked are there any agenda updates?

David Ross stated Item #8 has been pulled from the agenda.

Councilor Daoust stated I would like to propose an agenda update. I would like to add an item to the agenda to replace Item #8 that was just pulled from the agenda.

MOTION: Councilor Daoust moved to add to the agenda the follow-up discussion on the resolution censuring Mayor Kight, which is a result of our work session we had on June 15th, to go over the results of the work session and the agreement. Seconded by Councilor Thomas. Motion Passed Unanimously. *(Added as Item 8A)*

2. OATH OF OFFICE: Officer Adam Harrah

Mayor Kight administered the Oath of Office for Officer Adam Harrah.

Chief Anderson stated this is a great day for us. Adam competed against 200 applicants for this position. I think that says something about how competitive this young man is. There are all kinds of character traits that Adam possesses that are very positive. But the one thing that sticks out to me is the fact that he had a goal in mind several years ago and he pursued that goal. That kind of resilience comes from the fact that he had some bumps along the way, as most of us do. Success is built on little

failures that we learn from. This man had a few of those little bumps in the road but he kept coming back, and he did the right thing. He had a rough time at one point in his career and he went to somebody that he trusted; somebody who saw something in Adam that others had not. That person was a sergeant from the Gresham Police Department who mentored him and told him that with his years of experience it is not unusual for people to face these bumps in the road, and it doesn't mean that you give up. Adam isn't the kind of person who will give up, so he kept pursuing it. We had several very highly qualified candidates. I personally interviewed 10 of the candidates. In the end there was no doubt in mind that Adam was the person that needed to be a Troutdale Police Officer. I told Adam that the thing that he needs to remember is what he did to get here is the same thing that will carry him beyond today and into his career because the challenges have just begun. If he faces those challenges with the same resilience as he did during the competitive selection process, I have no doubt that he will come out just like he did today – a winner. This is what you have always wanted and this is what you were striving for. It was a privilege for me to be involved in that process. Adam is the kind person that has made the Troutdale Police Department what it is. We talked about the values of compassion, respect and integrity and those things that we all want to be and strive to be. We are a principle based police department. We are not going to violate our principles; we are going to uphold the principles that we stand for. This is the kind of man who will make us an even better police department. Congratulations. It is a privilege to be your Chief and I am looking forward to working with you.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

3.1 RESOLUTION: A resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County to provide services to older adults.

MOTION: Councilor Daoust moved to adopt the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Anderson. Motion Passed Unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: Please restrict comments to non-agenda items at this time.

Brian Sheets, resident and Vice-Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), provided the Council with a handout (copy included in the packet). I want to present a proposal that will give some recognition to departing committee and commission members. My proposal is to amend the committee and commission vacancy section of the Troutdale Municipal Code (2.20.050) as follows: *The Executive Department shall issue a Certificate of Appreciation to a former committee or commission member upon office vacancy resulting from: expiration of office term without consecutive term appointment; resignation; removal from the city (if residency is a qualification); incapacity; or death. The Certificate of Appreciation shall be issued to the former committee or commission member no later than 90 days after office vacancy and will include the name of the member, the name of the committee or commission, the dates the member served, and the original signatures of the mayor and city council. The Executive Department shall adopt rules relating to the issuance and design of the*

Certificate of Appreciation. This paragraph is effective for office vacancies after (date of effect).

Brian Sheets stated I presented this to the CAC and it received unanimous approval and they authorized me to present this to the Council. There is no doubt that members of these committees and commissions are recognized for their service and they hear unsolicited thanks time and time again from not only citizens in the community but also from the Mayor and Council. But this formalizes a completion of service, a small token of recognition and it gives a form of closure to that person, as well as to the committee or commission that they served on. This has a minimal fiscal impact. There is a line item in the 2011-12 Budget for volunteer recognition – 01.35.8211.

Brian Sheets stated recruiting season starts this fall and culminates with interviews in December typically. I highly advise anyone listening to add your name to the applicant pool because it not only gives a lot of recognition to the community, but it also reflects the diversity and richness that Troutdale citizens have. In the spirit of recognizing committee members, recognizing the time and effort that citizens give by serving on these committees, I urge you to consider this code amendment.

Councilor Thomas stated I would like to have this as an agenda item as soon as staff can pull the paperwork together.

Councilor Anderson stated I agree.

Mayor Kight stated clearly I would support something like this, and I am hoping other members of the Council would as well.

David Ross, City Attorney, stated staff's recommendation would be that you refer it to staff and we will refer it to the appropriate staff that will review it and make a recommendation to the Council.

Council agreed.

5. PROCLAMATION: Declaring the first week in August as "Geography Awareness Week".

Mayor Kight read the proclamation.

6. REPORT: Police Facility Briefing.

Chief Anderson stated with me tonight is Paul Frankenburger the project manager for our police facility project. We want to give you a brief update on where we are with the project. I first want to remind you of what our goal is because I think it is a good reminder of what we have been trying to focus on to stay on target. **Goal: To construct the designed and approved police facility within budget, following all**

legal requirements and best management practices, while maintaining effective communication with stakeholders.

I am pleased to inform you that we are currently on budget, on schedule and we are communicating with our stakeholders in the following ways: 1) we are posting updates on the website; and 2) we have met with neighbors whose property borders the facility site to the south (on SE 4th Street) several times.

The schematic design package is being finalized for the July 27th Planning Commission meeting. It was originally scheduled for August, but due to the fact that this team is moving along and working very diligently to keep on track, and with the help of Elizabeth McCallum, the Senior Planner for the City, things have gone extremely smoothly.

We just recently selected P & C Construction as our contractor. We held our first meeting with them today to talk about the design package, where we are, and to get them on board. They are the fourth and final component of our project team, so now we have everybody working together towards the completion of the project. The next thing that they will be doing is taking the documents that we gave them and preparing a cost estimate.

We continue to look at cost savings for this project. We have met with Energy Trust of Oregon to see what incentives we might qualify for.

A groundbreaking ceremony is being planned for August. As soon as we have the date we will let you know. The team of folks working with us (the project manager, the architect, the engineer, the construction folks and their subs) are all incredible people to work with. Everyone has really been putting their heart and soul into this project because they know we are on a very tight timeline. When we sat down with these folks and showed them what our preliminary timeline was you could see their jaws drop because it was a very aggressive schedule. The reason it is a very aggressive schedule is because time is money. I told you that we will be on budget with this project, and I propose to you that we will be because we will be able to break ground this year and not have to wait until next year. With the cost increases that could occur between now and then, this run has been on purpose to save our taxpayers money and to do what we told them we would do, which is be diligent in the process. I am glad to report that things are running really well.

Mayor Kight asked Paul Frankenburger, what role do you play in this process?

Paul Frankenburger replied I represent the owner on the technical side. The Chief and his two Sergeants have represented the City admirably in terms of relaying to the architects, engineers and contractor the specific needs of the building and what it needs to look like to make it function as a police facility. I bring to that group the construction background. I function as the coordinator of the architect, engineers and contractors and together, with the owners, try to bring that together as a team.

Councilor Daoust asked Mr. Frankenburger, could you tell us about your background and how it applies to this job?

Paul Frankenburger replied my background is mostly in construction in public schools. I was a licensed and bonded general contractor, and a licensed and bonded electrical contractor. I then started working for two school districts where I either built or renovated every school that they had. I started doing that as a consultant in 2003. I have a couple of things that work to my advantage in terms of what I am doing right now. I have a history in construction and the ability to deal with the various aspects of construction. I also have a history in public administration, which helps me work with other agencies. I specialize in working with public agencies on public projects.

Councilor Ripma asked did I hear you say that we will start construction in August?

Paul Frankenburger replied yes.

7. REPORT: A legislative update by Representative Matt Wand.

Representative Matt Wand provided the Council with a handout (Exhibit A to these minutes) which gives an overview of the 2011 Legislative Session and outlines some of the Bills that passed into law, were proposed, or were stopped in committee during the session.

Mayor Kight stated we really appreciate your time and energy. Many of these issues affect Troutdale directly. I like HB 3188 because that is found money.

Councilor Daoust asked on HB 3188, the State lottery funds that get deposited to Multnomah County, those funds would otherwise go where?

Representative Wand replied those are only taken from the economic development portion of the lottery dollars. Under the State Constitution right now the lottery dollars get divided into three categories - economic development, education, and parks and fish restoration. This money exclusively comes out of the economic development portion.

Councilor Daoust asked is it \$5 million statewide?

Representative Wand replied no, the \$5 million is the average that Multnomah County has received over the past few years.

Councilor Daoust asked will the County develop a process for competitive grant applications?

Representative Wand replied at this point they are not sure. I spoke with Commissioner McKeel about that and they are working on it.

Councilor Anderson stated great work. The thing that excites me most about HB3188 is specifically what we can do for Troutdale. Would urban renewal clean-up apply to what is covered under HB3188?

Representative Wand replied that is my understanding, yes.

Councilor Anderson asked would it apply to the property a couple of blocks to our west that needs to be cleaned up?

Representative Wand replied under the grants and assistance to new businesses, I believe so.

Councilor Thomas thanked Representative Wand for his responsiveness. You are the first of our state representatives that has come and asked us to provide assistance. That speaks volume to your ability to work with people.

Representative Wand stated we will be having another session in February and I am limited to two bills. One bill I have already committed will help to take away some of the restrictions on federal money so that our local school districts can use federal money to prevent teen dating violence and to teach youths how to have healthy relationships. My second bill is wide open. I would like it to involve job creations and remove some of the barriers for small and medium business to help create jobs in East County. I am asking you to communicate with me what your ideas are. Lastly, I am on the Historical Society Oversight Committee and we had our first meeting last week and I am very pleased with how that is progressing. There is about \$150,000 that will be divided up among the East County historical societies, including Troutdale.

Mayor Kight stated the number one barrier I keep hearing from small businesses is access to capital. They have to access capital through their credit cards to get a new business started. They just don't have capital available to get going.

Councilor White thanked Representative Wand for taking the time to update us. To my knowledge this is the first time that our representative has come to our meeting. I know that you have also conducted open houses for the community. I appreciate the extra effort. I like the work that you are doing.

Representative Wand stated on Thursday, July 21st I will be having another Town Hall meeting at Fairview City Hall at 6pm.

8. DISCUSSION: Mt. Hood Scenic Byway matching grant program for visitor kiosk.

This item was pulled from the agenda.

Mayor Kight called for a break at 8:06pm and reconvened at 8:21pm

8-A. DISCUSSION: Follow-up discussion on the resolution censuring Mayor Kight, which is a result of the work session on June 15th, to go over the results of the work session and the agreement.

Councilor Daoust stated this is a follow-up discussion on the resolution censuring Mayor Kight. We have a few goals: 1) Have a functioning team; 2) Have good government practiced in Troutdale; 3) Assertively pursue a team where each member is respected, because the result of that is that the entire Council will gain respect.

Councilor Daoust stated the goal is to have an agreement at the end of tonight that we can all sign (copy of the agreement was provided to the Council and is included in the packet). This has been a living document since the work session on June 15, 2011. There have been edits made, individually, which I have accumulated. What you have in front of you (copy of the agreement) represents the will of the Council. This was meant to follow-up from our work session because at the June 15th work session there were some feelings that, even though the censure document was very thorough, some of the expectations of Mayor Kight were not clear and that it could be clearer as to where the Council was coming from and what the will of the Council was. The eleven points in this agreement are intended to clarify things and to make it clearer what we are talking about as far as behavior changes that could be implemented that would make things better.

Councilor Daoust read the agreement. To the best of my ability in editing this document, it represents the will of the Council. We now have an opportunity to discuss anything that we want to discuss.

Councilor Ripma stated a couple of times you have mentioned that this wasn't on the agenda tonight. Just reading the public email trail Councilor Daoust requested that this be put on the Council's agenda. In all of the years that I have been on the Council a request like that is honored by the Mayor by putting it on the agenda. Instead, you wrote an email to us saying that you disagreed with some of the points. I would point out that the Council can always put it on the agenda as we did tonight. I have no idea why you wouldn't just put it on the agenda so that the public could know about it in advance. I certainly would request that in the future if one of us makes a reasonable request that you know is coming for an item that we are going to debate, that it be put on the agenda when requested by one of us. The reason it was not on the agenda is because you refused to put it on the agenda. Troutdale doesn't work that way. We have open debate; we debate things at length and we give everyone a say. In the spirit of working together, which we are trying to achieve here, I would ask that this not happen again. I agree with the agreement that Councilor Daoust read.

Councilor Thomas stated I think that Councilor Daoust has summarized the work session very well.

Mayor Kight stated I have an alternative to the document that Councilor Daoust read (copy provided to the Council). Tonight you have heard from more than one presenter the importance of having team building. I noticed that you included that as part of your

opening comments Councilor Daoust. I think that is critical. When you have a team you obviously have more than one member. In this case our Council is made of up seven different individuals. In my version of the agreement, which I call the agreement for positive outcome, it is more inclusive including all members of this City Council not just targeting one individual.

Mayor Kight read his alternate agreement (attached as Exhibit B to these minutes).

Mayor Kight stated I believe that this is more inclusive, it focuses on team building and I think it moves the Council forward. It isn't quite as pejorative, if you will, as the other document appears to be. At this time I want to open it up to folks that are in attendance who may want to speak regarding this item.

Mike Goss, resident, stated I have the distinction of being the only person who speaks up for Mayor Kight. If I see six kids picking on another kid I am going to go stand with the seventh kid and say to the six kids stop bullying him. The smartest thing that you could all do tonight is to tear up all of your papers and get back to the work of the City. I had hoped to see this as an opportunity, after the censure, for the members of the Council to show their ability to build a team. I haven't seen it so far. Here is an opportunity to show leadership; leadership of the City and moving it forward towards those things on the wall (goals). Nothing that is going on here has anything to do with the Council goals that are on the wall, and I am disappointed about that because I know each of you and I know that each of you are better than this. It is time to stop this. I went to a meeting in Tigard and I was asked what was going on in Troutdale. You are making us the laughing stock. As far as what Councilor Daoust said the purposes were – good government, respect the will of the council. It appears that it only works if it is the will of the six Councilors against the Mayor. The only thing that seems to work according to this agreement that you have is that the Mayor gets another spanking like he did the night of censure and at the work session I videotaped. I watched that again and it made me want to be sick. The City deserves better than they are getting from the time that is being spent. I sent a note to the City Manager and I asked how much time has been spent by city officials, city employees on this issue. He couldn't even estimate. I think it is shameful what you are doing. I think it is time for it to be over and I think it is time for you to be the leaders and the team builders that I know that you can be that you have not been so far.

Tina Tebbens, resident, stated I haven't sat through all of the meetings regarding this issue, and I haven't written any letters to the editor; I won't do that. You know that I am a volunteer and I care deeply about Troutdale. My husband is also a volunteer. We care, but we are getting embarrassed and not just because of what you are trying to do. I think you are trying to do something right. Do it; fix it. I am not going to use playground analogies because we are not on the playground. This is our City, this is our community and I want to be proud of it and I want to be proud of each of you. Please try to pull it together. Don't posture, don't politic me, just work.

Councilor Ripma asked Jim, are you not prepared to sign Councilor Daoust's agreement?

Mayor Kight replied no I am not.

Councilor Ripma stated your agreement leaves out a lot. I am prepared to move that we, as a council, adopt Councilor Daoust's agreement; obviously we won't all sign it. The reason we are doing this is because of you Jim, the Mayor, and the liability that you expose us to, the hostile work environment, and the undue influence that you exercise. This isn't easy and it isn't fun for us, and it isn't politics for us. We are all trying to uphold our oath of office, but I don't get it, or you don't seem to get it Jim. Just that simple matter of not allowing Councilor Daoust's request to put this on the agenda, I have never heard of a Mayor doing that, and it indicates the opposite of the spirit of working together. I certainly would support Councilor Daoust's agreement, even if you are not willing to sign it. I think we expressed ourselves and we need to have you start cooperating. We are doing our best to cooperate Jim, but you are not.

Councilor Thomas stated I have read through both agreements and I have compared the one that you provided Jim to the one that Councilor Daoust provided. I saw many of the same things in regards to expenses. I didn't consider this, especially the expense side, as something that just the Mayor had to do. I assumed it would also be for the Council. I would abide by the same rules that were set forth here as far as communication and stuff. Those were things that were talked about at the work session. I don't see any reason not to approve Councilor Daoust's agreement because it seems to capture everything that was talked about.

Councilor White stated I heard two councilors refer to this as Councilor Daoust's document. I want to correct that for the record, we have all provided input into this document. I am really surprised Mayor that you are not in agreement with this because you voted to censure yourself. You came across as having the spirit of wanting to improve and do better, but instead you have written a document that kind of white-washes it, or waters it down. I just want to remind people, I have been on the council for 2½ years and now this is the third time we have had to deal with your expenses and investigate them. I am a little outraged by this. Believe me this isn't easy for us to have to go through, but we are doing our job as a council. We are taking care of a problem that is a serious problem. I am definitely in agreement for signing the document that this Council has prepared.

Councilor Allen stated I have read both documents and I would like to bring forward a discussion on whether we should be adding some of the expenses that are in the Mayor's document to Item 4 of the Council's document. I would like us to consider adding the following to Section 4 of the Council's document: Item 2-E on the Mayor's document which reads, "Mileage and parking when going to the Oregon Legislature when appearing on behalf of the City".

Councilor Daoust stated personally I am okay with adding that, but we can discuss it.

Councilor White stated our document covers additional expenses because the Mayor has the option to approach the Council for special circumstances.

Councilor Thomas stated under Item 5-B it says that the Mayor may seek approval of a special request for reimbursement from the City Council at a public meeting.

Mayor Kight stated the problem with that is sometimes when Representative Wand calls me he is requesting that I show up in Salem the next day or two days from then and there wouldn't be an opportunity to come before the Council and seek your approval.

Councilor Ripma stated that is what the stipend is for. What is left for the stipend to cover? I appreciate that our Representative, and all Representatives, like to have people come. It is not the same as being appointed in an official capacity to represent the City. It is attending certainly as Mayor of Troutdale, but it is not the same as these other committees. The special request clause should cover most of the situations. Once in awhile you might have to spend some of your stipend, but that is what it is for, and that is your choice.

Councilor Thomas stated it could be requested and reimbursed at a later date. It doesn't specify that it has to be before it happens.

Councilor Ripma stated that is true.

Councilor Daoust stated a general observation is that Mayor Kight's team building document would be okay if it were to stand by itself as a team building document. I know why he wrote it that way; it is to negate what led up to it. What led up to the document that we, as a Council, produced was the censure document. The censure document was not for the seven of us, the censure document was for Mayor Kight, an individual on the Council. This is following-up, almost at the request of Mayor Kight at the end of the May 24th meeting where he himself said that things are not that clear and I need some definition as to what you expect of me. I think that is basically what you said. So we had a work session to do that and that is what this document is; it makes it clearer for Mayor Kight, the one individual on this Council that is not acting as a team member the other six of us work perfectly as a team and we are a good team. This Council is an excellent Council. I have no qualms about using the word "team" when it comes to the six of us; I have a problem when I include Mayor Kight and that is why we had the censure document in the first place. That is why we have these clarifications in the first place; that is the whole purpose of this document. The purpose is not to write a generic, white-washed, lets all work together better document negating about half of the points following-up on the censure document. That is what you have done. You have thrown out half of them and put in what you think we should all do. I am not disagreeing with what you have here, but it is not the purpose of where we are at at this point and time. The purpose is to have a better team, and the way we are going to get there is to reel you in Jim so that we can have a better team. If that was any one of us we would do the same thing. If Councilor Anderson was acting up the way that the Mayor has

been doing, we would reel in Councilor Anderson. We would do the same thing for anybody on the Council. I have been on so many teams in my career and whenever one of the members needs a little bit of advice or counsel from the rest of the group it is freely given and freely accepted and dealt with; it doesn't have to drag on forever, which is what this thing is doing. It is dragging on and I am getting rather tired of it. Even though this is a good generic document Jim, it serves the purpose as if nothing happened prior to this, but I think that the document that I read is the will of the Council the best I can tell. The comments that have been made tonight reinforce that. These clarifications came up because there was a recurring pattern of behavior over years; this just didn't start in the last few months. That is why there are specific points here that deal with each one of those patterns of behavior. If you are not willing to sign this Jim that is a pretty good sign that you are still not going to be part of the team. I guess I would have to ask the City Attorney, if it is not an agreement or something that the Mayor is willing to sign as a follow-up to the censure document, where he censured himself, then what is it? If we are not going to have the Mayor sign it, which he has indicated he won't, what is it then? Do we have any suggestions as to what to call this, or are we just going to keep on doing the same thing and putting up with the same stuff without a written agreement.

David Ross suggested an expression of council.

MOTION: Councilor Ripma moved adoption of Councilor Daoust's document, absent the second page as an expression of the Council.

Councilor Daoust stated I think we should allow Paul Thalhofer to speak since we opened it up for public comment and he got here late.

MOTION WITHDRAWN: Councilor Ripma withdrew his motion.

Paul Thalhofer stated I was Mayor of this City for 16 years and we never had anything like this and I don't understand why we are having it now. I don't think Mayor Kight gets it. He just flat doesn't get it. This is not about school children in the school yard. This is about a grown-up Mayor who just doesn't get it. His behavior problems have been told far and near in the newspaper and on television. He lied to the city administrator in an email, and on other occasions lied to the City Council. Some of you have been the recipients of those lies. This is a behavior problem. A big behavior problem which I think you have glossed over so many important parts that should be addressed. We went 16 years and got along pretty well and we never had anything like this come up because there was no misbehavior by anybody. He is looking at me like he isn't paying attention, but he just doesn't get it. Maybe the reason he doesn't get it is because he isn't paying attention to what you are trying to tell him. I don't care whether it is Jim Kight or anybody else who holds a public office, especially the office of mayor and doesn't get how you behave as mayor. The city employees that I have heard from are not very happy with the atmosphere in City Hall because of Jim Kight's conduct. Whatever you do try to get Mayor Kight to get it, because if he doesn't he shouldn't be doing this job. Don't back down on what you need to do. You need to have a mayor

that everybody respects, and who will work together with you as a team and not try to abort a process that you have started in good faith, and that he signed off on.

MOTION: Councilor Ripma moved that we adopt, as an expression of the sense of the Council, the document that Councilor Daoust read, absent for the second page. Seconded by Councilor White.

Councilor Thomas stated I would really like to add back the second page basically as a statement of support. Without a vested interest what is the point of the document. Personally I would like to keep the second page.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilor Thomas made a friendly amendment to add back the second page of the document as a statement of support.

Councilor Ripma asked are you proposing that those of us who are willing would sign it then?

Councilor Thomas replied yes.

Councilor Ripma and Councilor White accepted the Friendly Amendment.

VOTE: Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Daoust – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Anderson – Yes; Councilor Thomas – Yes; Mayor Kight – No; Councilor White – Yes.

Motion Passed 6 – 1.

(A copy of the signed agreement is attached as Exhibit C to these minutes.)

9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

David Ross, City Attorney stated we are about to enter our summer meeting schedule. The next meeting will be a work session on August 16th and your next regular meeting will be on August 23rd.

10. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Allen stated I had the pleasure of welcoming the Oregon Federation of Square Round Dancers to our City on Saturday night. There were approximately 500 dancers and family members at Reynolds High School.

Mayor Kight thanked Councilor Allen for attending this event in his absence.

Councilor Daoust stated this Saturday is SummerFest starting with a parade followed by activities at Glenn Otto Park.

Councilor Thomas stated I have a letter that our City Attorney has written addressed to the Federal Communication Commission regarding the acceleration of broadband deployment (copy of the letter is included in the packet). What it is talking about is taking away the City's ability to regulate our rights-of-way. It is important that the City be able to manage how our right-of-ways are used and maintain local control for our own roads. I am looking for consent from the Council to authorize the Mayor to sign this letter. I believe that you all received the email from Mr. Ross that had the letter attached to it.

MOTION: Councilor Thomas moved to send the letter forward to the Office of the Secretary of Federal Communications Commission in regards to the acceleration of broadband deployment, Docket No. 11-59. Seconded by Councilor Allen. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Kight stated as Councilor Daoust pointed SummerFest is this Saturday with activities all day long. The parade starts at 11am.

Mayor Kight stated I am heading back to Emmitsburg, MD to attend a hazardous preparedness training that is paid for by the Federal Government. Following that we will be heading to Washington, D.C. to lobby our senators and legislators. Craig Ward, Dick Bohlmann and I will be attending.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Councilor Anderson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Thomas. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

Mayor Jim Kight

Approved September 13, 2011

ATTEST:

Debbie Stickney, City Recorder