

**BOARD OF WORKS  
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2017  
5:00 P.M.**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present  
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present  
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Present  
Daniel Weigold – Absent  
Walter Crowder – Present

The Columbia City Board of Works met in regular session with all members except Dan Weigold present, Mayor Daniel presiding.

**MINUTES** Mayor Daniel noted a spelling error to Mobilitie. Motion was made by Crowder to approve an overview of the March 28, 2017 meeting minutes as corrected, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**DENIAL OF ORDINANCE VIOLATION – JEREMIAH CHANDLER – 760 E HANNA**

Tony Hively explained the property at 760 E. Hanna Street was in violation of the junk ordinance and has been cited on numerous occasions. He advised he has spoken with Mr. Chandler on several occasions with the agreement that things would start moving but no progress has been made. He reported Mr. Chandler has received 2 citations at \$50 each and added that according to the ordinance the City could cite every day but have chosen to do rechecks every 10 days. Mr. Chandler was present to deny the 2 citations.

Jeremiah Chandler was present and admitted to receiving the violations. He shared that he has been working to get it cleaned up so he can sell the property. He advised he has not done much with the front of the property and has been focusing on removing items from the back. He stated the photographs do not show the progress that was being made; the biggest issue was removing things from the barn fire.

Walt Crowder questioned if the dumpster he currently had was sufficient enough to handle the load of what needed to go in it. Mr. Chandler felt it was.

Mayor Daniel questioned Mr. Chandler what his plan of action was going to be and the timeframe. Mr. Chandler shared he would like to utilize the Citywide trash pickup as much as possible and for the rest of the items he needed equipment to help load it. Mayor Daniel questioned Chief Hively if Mr. Chandler would work on the front yard first if it would help alleviate some of the situations. Chief Hively felt it would calm the complaints coming in from the neighbors. He advised he has had discussions with Jeremiah before about focusing on the front.

Walt Crowder questioned Mr. Chandler if he had a plan to have the property cleaned up. Mr. Chandler advised he did not have a plan to give the Board as it was just him cleaning up the property but that he may have a couple people who could help him. Walt Crowder stated if the City would come in and clean up the property, the only way we could assure ourselves, would be

to file a lien on the property; he did not want to do that but could not just leave it open ended. Mr. Chandler felt he could have the circle or front of the house done in one week; the second week he could have the front of the garage done but everything in back would take more than what he can lift. Chief Hively advised he would be willing to keep on the 10 day recheck schedule and wanted to make sure the junk was leaving the property and not just being moved from one location to another. He suggested that if in the first 10 days the front was not cleaned up, he would get a citation; if in the next 10 days he does not have the area in front of the garages cleaned up, he would get another citation. He advised he has informed Jeremiah that when we are done issuing citations the City would clean it up and file a lien on the property. Walt Crowder questioned Mr. Chandler if he felt that would be fair. Mr. Chandler advised he did. Walt Crowder confirmed with Mr. Chandler that he understood what the objective was and if it was not done there would still be penalties involved. Mr. Chandler advised he did but had a concern for the back because there was a lot there to remove.

Mayor Daniel felt with a plan of action it would give the Chief clear direction on how to move forward and the Board of Works some stability that if they, or the Chief, receive complaints they can respond and verify it was being worked on.

Chief Hively suggested setting a date that if Mr. Chandler defaults on any of the deadlines that we stop the ordinance violations and move forward with the court order to have the City go in and clean the property.

Mayor Daniel suggested the first round of clean-up has to have occurred by April 22; May 2 would be the next 10 day period and then May 12 would be the third 10 day period. He suggested if they would set May 22 as the drop dead date, that would give Mr. Chandler a month and half to clean up the full property and to meet the other criteria's without additional fining. Chief Hively advised he was fine with that.

Mayor Daniel reviewed with Mr. Chandler that his first deadline would be April 22 to have the circle area cleaned up; the next deadline would be May 2 for the area in and around the front of the barns and then the deadline for the back would be May 12 with a drop dead deadline of May 22. He explained if the Chief goes out on May 22 and finds the property still not cleaned up then at that point the Board of Works gives the Chief permission to file the necessary paperwork to do any cleanup needed and to place a lien on the property. Everyone was in agreement.

Walt Crowder confirmed the existing violation tickets would stay as written as those happened prior to the meeting. Rosie Coyle advised she would work with Mr. Chandler to get the tickets paid by the May 22 date. She confirmed the tickets should be stair stepped at \$50, \$75 then \$100 but could leave them both at \$50 since that was what was quoted to Mr. Chandler. Chief Hively requested both tickets remain at \$50 each.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to suspend the rules and allow for both tickets to remain at \$50 each as requested by the Chief, that they both remain in effect and be paid by May 22; and that the deadlines established between Mr. Chandler, the Police Chief and the Board of Works was April 22 for inside the circle, May 2 for around the front and sides of the barn and behind the barns by May 12 with the caveat that if the Chief sees progress he can extend those but the

final deadline that everything has to be cleaned up on the property is May 22 and if at that time the property has not been cleaned up to the Chief's satisfaction, per the ordinance, then the Board of Works authorizes the Chief to move forward with the clean-up and file a lien on the property, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT: MATT SHIPMAN – NORTHSIDE GRILL** Matt Shipman explained they were finally able to get the brick mason lined up. He shared they needed to be able to close both the north/south and east/west alley to tuck point on both sides of the building pursuant to the unsafe building ordinance. He advised as soon as they were done with the back alley portion they would reopen the alley. He reported the contractor was saying about 4 weeks but because of weather, etc. he would like to request 6 weeks. He shared the only other issue was the electric lines but has been in contact with Shawn Lickey. He advised if the permit was approved he would talk with Ball Furniture since they use that alley a lot for deliveries.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the street closing permit request for the former Northside Grill building at 116 W. Van Buren Street as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT: MEMORIAL DAY PARADE** Motion was made by Crowder to accept the street closing permit for Memorial Day as presented, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT: CITY/COUNTY AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** Mayor Daniel suggested, in looking at the map, they meant the southeast corner of Chauncey and Van Buren rather than northeast.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the City/County American Red Cross blood drive for Wednesday, June 7 from 11 am – 4 pm with the caveat that it is placed on the southeast corner of Chauncey and Van Buren St., Crowder seconded the motion.

Walt Crowder confirmed with Chief Hively there were no concerns with the angled parking and people backing out next to the unit. Chief Hively advised they parked there last year and there were no problems or issues.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT: FARMER'S MARKET** Chief Hively explained they have been meeting the last couple days with the Farmer's Market to come up with a plan to fit more vendor's without occupying Van Buren Street. He shared they had the idea to shut down most of Chauncey Street from Van Buren to Market to allow the vendors to take up occupancy on both sides of the street and would have the south side of the courthouse on Market Street as well. He added they would also have the two parallel parking spaces on Main Street. He advised this was being worked up in the ordinance and explained he was just submitting the request for the Saturday's in May to see how things go.

Mayor Daniel noted on the times the streets would reopen, in past years, the Farmer's Market has gone until 12:30 p.m. Chief Hively advised they could stretch it out until 1 p.m. Mayor Daniel just wanted to make sure as people were closing up and as things were coming and going they were protected. Chief Hively advised he would change the request to 12:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Crowder to accept the recommendation from the Police Chief for Saturday, May 6, 13, 20 and 27 for the street closing permit and to change the time from 6 am – 12:30 pm, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**PERMIT TO CUT INTO STREET – 202 E. MARKET STREET – SEWER TAP** Kelly Cearbaugh reported that Todd Porter contacted him and advised the apartments were having some issues and wanted to run a new line out to the sewer main. He advised they wanted to get started tomorrow.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the permit to cut into curbs, streets or alleys for 202 E. Market Street as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**PERMIT TO CUT INTO STREET – CR N. 200 E. – QUAIL RIDGE** Kelly Cearbaugh reported an individual contacted him regarding boring under CR 200 over to Quail Ridge. He advised he did not have any issues with it.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the permit to cut into streets, curbs or alleys for CR N. 200 E. for CenturyLink as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT: ANNUAL RIDE FOR THE CURE** Lesha Howell, Candidate of the Year for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, explained for every dollar she raises for LLS was considered a vote; she and Anees “Q” Qureshi discussed having a fundraising event in Columbia City. She stated they came up with the idea of putting a ride together and has expanded into a community event. She explained 100% of the proceeds will go to LLS.

“Q” reported the event was scheduled for Saturday, May 13 from 4 p.m. – 9 p.m. He advised they were requesting street closure at 2 p.m. to allow for the vendors to come in and set up as well as bring in the American Legion trailer and a travel trailer. He stated they would like to close Van Buren between Line and Main and Chauncey Street to Market Street and if possible would like to close E. Market Street from Main to Washington for overflow parking.

Mayor Daniel noted a concern from Electric Superintendent Shawn Lickey regarding the location of the power plugs. Rosie Coyle advised she talked with Shawn and thought the only concern was where they would plug the DJ into. “Q” advised he would get with Shawn.

Discussion followed on the overflow parking on E. Market Street. Mayor Daniel preferred using the Post Office parking lot and into the County parking rather than closing E. Market. After additional discussion, Chief Hively suggested editing the street closing request to close Van Buren Street down to Walnut Street and in the event the extra space is not needed they can always condense and move it back. Chief LaRue supported the suggestion.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the street closing request from 2 p.m. – 9 p.m. on May 13 with the change to close Van Buren from Main to Walnut, Chauncey Street from the alley by the Post Office to Market Street.

“Q” requested to extend the closing request until 9:30 p.m. to allow time for the vendor’s to move out.

Mayor Daniel made the addendum to go until 9:30 p.m. and to include the parking spaces on the south side of the courthouse to allow for the Legion trailer and RV and for those trailers to be moved by 12:01 p.m. on Sunday, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**PERMIT TO CUT INTO STREET: 200 E. JACKSON STREET – SEWER TAP** Kelly Cearbaugh reported the request was not needed.

**STREET CLOSING REQUEST AMENDMENT: FRANCINE’S FRIENDS MOBILE UNIT** Rosie Coyle advised this request was already approved but they cannot use the location that was initially requested. Chief Hively reported they would like to use the same location as the blood mobile.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to amend the request to move the mobile unit to the southeast corner of Chauncey and Van Buren, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**CURB AND SIDEWALK QUOTES** Kelly Cearbaugh recommended awarding the curb and sidewalk project to JB Concrete in the amount of \$71,542.40.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the quote for JB Concrete in the amount of \$71,542.40, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**PROPOSALS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES** Mayor Daniel reported Dan Weigold, Tad Varga and he held a meeting with members of the Wooddale Subdivision. He advised they want to do an overhaul of the infrastructure in that subdivision but do not have the engineering expertise in-house and requested permission to go out for RFP for engineering services for the overhaul of the Wooddale Subdivision. He shared it was his hope to have the engineering project completed by the end of the year so we could do the project next year.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to send out an RFP for the engineering of the Wooddale Subdivision overhaul, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**BILLS** Motion was made by Crowder to accept the bills as presented in the amount of \$774,988.58, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**MOBILITIE** Ken Dunn with Mobilitie was present to answer questions on a request to place their equipment. Mayor Daniel advised Shawn Lickey shared that Mobilitie approached him about putting a cell tower on top of an existing pole. Mr. Dunn explained there was an existing electrical pole on the alley between Van Buren and Market Street along Main Street but apparently the top was rotting out. He shared their proposal would be to put in a new 50 ft pole,

if possible, and would put their equipment on the pole as well as relocate the existing equipment on the current pole to the new pole. He understood there were concerns about how big their pole would be compared to what is currently there. He advised he was not sure the size of pole that is currently there but explained if they would do a 50 ft. above ground (60 ft. total) it would end up being about a 15.2 inch diameter pole and would be a class A pole.

Mayor Daniel advised he personally liked this option much better; co-locating was a much better option. He confirmed this would be the same type of scenario. Mr. Dunn advised it was and would work as a mini cell-tower but was on a utility pole. He explained it was the part of the network that deals directly with the cell phone; it takes all of the individual cell signals and sends it back through the network as one single signal so the cell towers are no longer over capacitated.

Mayor Daniel shared since Shawn Lickey and Dan Weigold were not present he would like to table the issue.

Walt Crowder felt between now and then it would give them an opportunity to measure the width of the alley. He advised that was a delivery alley and anything extra could make a difference. Mr. Dunn advised at ground level the pole measured 15.3 inches in diameter.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

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Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle