

Public Meeting Observation Report  
City of Washougal  
Regular Council Meeting  
December 1, 2008

Members in Attendance: Eight including the Mayor

Staff: Nabel Shawa, City Administrator, City Attorney, Fire Chief, Public Works Director, HR Director, Finance Director, Planning and Development

Media Coverage: Dawn Feldhaus-Post Record

Number in Audience:

Special Interests or Students: Resident form G Street had 4 items to present to the council. 1. 737 G Street had equipment and garbage in yard causing a fire hazard. Felt that the property owner should take responsibility. Mayor said that code enforcement would follow up. 2. Requested police presents on G street. 3. Inquired about poultry code. 4. Comcast Cable billing issues and encouraged competition form verizon.

Items Approved: Consent Agenda, all items approved. See copy of agenda for this date.

Mayors Report: Mayor reminded staff of Columbia ridge Groundbreaking and Christmas tree lighting on sat, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00PM. Council voted to re-appoint Larry White to the Planning Commission.

Old Business: Agenda Bill 222-08 2009 Budget Ordinance Voted on and passed.

New Business: Agenda Bill 223-08 Verizon Cable Franchise Agreement Bill will be voted on at the Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> workshop.

Public Comments: Dr. Martin commented on the fact that \$8,000.00 will be spent on the COOP Market Analysis (Agenda Bill 220-08) and the citizens should be aware to this fact. Citizen thanked the council members that voted

against the storm drain tax.. He explained that it was a tax mandated by the Federal Government and it was unfunded.

Did presiding officer have meeting under control? Yes

Were officials attentive/alert? Yes

Was there adequate discussion of issues? There was no discussion regarding Consent agenda. No copies of each item were available for the public. No reading of each item took place. All Consent agenda items were passed at the same time with the same motion.

Decisions "cut and dried"? Yes see previous items above.

Larry Keister