



**CITY OF HOQUIAM  
Council Meeting Minutes**

**September 14, 2009**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Durney called the meeting to order. Councilmember McMillan led the flag salute after which the Mayor called for a moment of silence honoring past councilmember Frank “Buddy” Springer who passed away last week.

**ROLL CALL**

In attendance at the meeting were Mayor Durney and Councilmembers Grun, Nelson, Houchens, McMillan, Moir, Nelson and Winkelman. Absent from the meeting were Councilmembers Dickhoff, Grimnes, Hyde, Pellegrini, Jones and Daniels.

Staff in attendance were Fire Chief Ray Pumphrey, Police Chief Jeff Myers, City Attorney Steve Johnson, City Librarian Mary Thornton, City Administrator Brian Shay, Finance Director Mike Folkers and Council Secretary Tracy Wood.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Resignations of  
Councilmembers Jones and  
Grimnes**

Mr. Folkers read letters received from Councilmember Bessie Jones and Councilmember Sandi Grimnes resigning their council seats as they have both left Hoquiam. Mayor Durney asked for a motion to accept the resignations. Councilmember McMillan moved to accept the resignations, the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Mayor Durney expressed his appreciation to the former Councilmembers for their service to the City of Hoquiam.

**HDR Engineering – Water  
Systems Upgrade**

Water System Update Mr. Tim Hume from HDR provided an overview of what HDR Engineering has been working on with the Water Supply Infrastructure Water Supply Project. He reviewed the documentation that they have completed for the City of Hoquiam. The current transmission pipeline is over 50 years old with several leaks that the water department has been maintaining to the best of their ability. Replacement of this pipeline is needed and HDR has determined that the current route is the best alternative for the replacement. This will be a 15 to 20 million dollar project. Mr. Hume answered several questions for the council. He also stated that the City will be looking for grants and other funding sources to assist in the completion of this project. Other items that HDR has been working on is the Water Supply Strategy Report – staff will be looking at augmenting current water availability with the possibility of a ground water supply. Monitoring/Test wells

**CONSENT AGENDA**



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will be drilled in the vicinity of the water plant. The city is currently waiting to receive permits to drill the wells. The West Fork Dam and Davis Creek Dam are also being reviewed. Dredging has become very expensive and other options are being looked at. Improvements to the current fish ladder, fish screen and slough gates are being reviewed.

**LEGAL BUSINESS**

**Resolutions**

**Comprehensive Sewer Plan**

Councilmember McMillan made a motion to move to item 4, B, Resolutions. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam adopting a new Comprehensive Sewer Plan for the City of Hoquiam. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of this resolution. The motion was seconded. Mr. Hume answered questions for the council regarding the treatment plant and the comp plan. The motion for approval of the resolution passed by voice vote.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Support of Replacement of  
Transmission Line**

Mr. Don Hurd, 204 K Street, Hoquiam. The transmission line came up many years ago on the council and he encouraged the council to complete this project.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember McMillan moved to accept consent agenda items A through F as presented. The motion was seconded.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Grun - Question regarding d – repair to roads – Mr. Hurd stated no repairs needed – just graded the road. Hometown sanitation – based on CPI. Motion to approve passed by voice vote.

- a. Council Minutes of August 31, 2009;
- b. Regulatory Committee – Claims and Payroll
- c. A-1 – Request for Release of Timber Sale Bonds
- d. Seattle Snohomish – Request for Release of Timber Sale Bonds
- e. Hometown Sanitation – Rate Notice
- f. Request for Payment – Grays Harbor Contracting

**OFFICER REPORTS**

Library Painting Project

**3. COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION**

- a. COMMITTEE REPORTS



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**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**LEGAL BUSINESS  
RESOLUTIONS**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

b. OFFICER REPORTS

1. Blowdown Sale – Cemetery – Moir moved to bring this item from the table. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Motion on the floor from the previous meeting to accept item A – per Councilmember McMillans motion. Councilmember Grun asked question regarding trees along the water line. Mr. Hurd explained that he recommended taking out any trees that might cause problems. Motion passed by voice vote.

2. Timber Sale 09-18 – A-1 was high bidder – McMillan moved for approval to award bid, seconded and passed by voice vote.

c. MAYORS REPORTS – next Monday 6:00 – retreat.

Water Supply projects will be discussed, economic development projects, applied for CTED grant for biosolid project – should decide on project and apply for funds – overview of finances.

Loggers Playday – enormous effort goes into putting on Loggers Playday. Show, fair, pancake breakfast, Lions Salmon Bake, great time.

Mayor Durney spoke about the quote at the top of the agenda. He had thought of Buddy Springer when he saw this quote. Mayor Durney spoke about Mr. Springer and all of the projects that he worked on during his service to the City. Serving those that come after us.

d. COUNCIL REPORTS – McMillan – Loggers Playday – wonderful. Great job – fireworks good too!

4. LEGAL BUSINESS

a. ORDINANCES

b. RESOLUTIONS

1. Sewer Comprehensive Plan

c. OTHER LEGAL

5. OLD BUSINESS – renew effort in addressing flood insurance rates and direct staff to continue efforts on this issue.

6. NEW BUSINESS – business association – council participation. Workshop on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. Workshop – getting people in the doors.



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