



**CITY OF HOQUIAM  
Council Meeting Minutes**

**October 12, 2009**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Durney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Pellegrini led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL**

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

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

Mayor Durney introduced Aberdeen Mayor Bill Simpson. Mayor Simpson said a few words to the council.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Washington State National  
Maritime Heritage Area**

Dr. Allyson Brooks, State Historic Preservation Officer, spoke to the Council regarding a proposal to establish a Washington State National Maritime Heritage Area. This would be the first heritage area solely designated to maritime history. She stated that the priority for this project is to demonstrate the quality of resources, demonstrate widespread support for the idea and show that it can be managed effectively and obtain financial support. Dr. Brooks explained the process they have gone through and the feasibility study that has been drafted. She is asking the City to write a letter of support for the program. The feasibility study would then be forwarded to the National Park Service and if approved by them, forwarded to Congress for National designation.

**Public Comment Period –  
I-1033**

The floor was opened for public comment on proposed Initiative 1033.

Mr. Dave Forbes, 2216 Aberdeen Avenue, Hoquiam, stated that he doesn't believe the council should be discussing the Initiative and should let the voters make up their own minds.

Mr. Dave Everitt, President of the Local Firefighters Union, spoke in opposition of the Initiative. He stated that the initiative will do more damage than 695. It will take a major amount of money out of the general funds of the communities. He believes it is a poorly written initiative. Loss of funding to



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the communities from this initiative will detract from education, public service, public safety and other services. He urged the city to oppose this Initiative.

**Water Plant Award**

Mr. Shay announced that the Water Treatment Plant and Staff have received an award for outstanding service for operating for five years with no problems with turbidity.

**Presentation of Gift  
Certificate - DAR**

Mrs. Iris Carter, representing the Daughters of the American Revolution, presented the City with a gift certificate for the purchase of a tree.

**Levy Resolution**

Mr. Dave Forbes, 2216 Aberdeen Avenue, spoke in opposition of a levy resolution for public safety for six years which the Council discussed at their last meeting. He believes the council needs to look at this again to determine if this is what the city truly needs to support the fire department. Mr. Forbes also asked if Ms. Houchens had moved. Mayor Durney stated if a councilmember moves outside of their ward boundaries they can no longer serve that ward.

**Code Compliance Issue**

Dr. Gary Murrell, 717 Lincoln, spoke to the council regarding a recent discussion concerning his Rhododendrons. He stated that he was asked three years ago to trim these back and he did. He has now been told that they are considered a hedge and he needs to follow the code requirements for height and areas of the yard. In reviewing the code there is no definition of what a hedge is in the ordinance that Mr. Howell presented, nor are the yard areas defined. He thought that we were a tree city/green city. He would like to have some kind of discussion with someone who can make a decision on what he needs to do. The "hedge issue" was not brought up to him three years ago. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Shay can review the ordinance and speak with him about the issue.

**Chickens Within City  
Limits**

Mr. Anthony Crumpler, 449 Queen Avenue, spoke to the council regarding the proposed Ordinance that will be before the Council later in the meeting. He stated that his chickens are a hobby, and the limits on size of the yard will disallow him to have chickens. He believes he is being harassed from being talked to about his cars, his dog and his chickens. Chickens are a lot of work and a lot of expense. He feels bad for the



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people in the future who might want to do have chickens in this town. He has worked to resolve any issues that have come up and he feels this Ordinance is an infringement of people's rights. He asked that council not support this ordinance.

**Chicken Ordinance**

Ms. Helen Brown, 1615 Marion, spoke in support of the proposed Ordinance. She doesn't believe chickens should be allowed in town.

**Chicken Ordinance**

Mr. Edward Journe, who lives on the corner of Queen and Minor, stated that he has stayed quiet on the chicken issue for several years. He can't go outside his home without hearing or smelling the chickens. He is not the only neighbor who feels this way and is tired of dealing with it. He's all for allowing a few chickens but 50 or 60 chickens is out of hand. He noted that the people across from the store are building big coupes.

**Council Ward Vacancy**

Mr. Mat Anglesey, 512 9<sup>th</sup> Street, stated that he filed this morning at the County as a write-in candidate for Ward 2. He also stated his support for the proposed Ordinance on chickens.

**Chicken Ordinance**

Ms. Cheryl Daniels, Aberdeen, stated that she is a friend of Mr. Crumpler and that he treats his animals well. She believes Mr. Crumpler has worked hard and done a good job on solving any problems or issues that have been brought to his attention concerning his chickens.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Hyde moved for the approval of consent agenda items a and b as presented. The motion was seconded. Those items appearing on the consent agenda were as follows:

- The Council Minutes of September 28, 2009;
- The Regulatory Committee report recommending approval and payment of claim check numbers 67541 through 67570 in the amount of \$103,431.09; payroll check numbers 22894 through 22979 in the amount of \$451,418.07; and US Treasury Department deposits in the amount of \$82,660.17.

The motion for approval of consent agenda items a and b passed by voice vote.



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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Public Safety and Law  
Speed Limit on Endresen**

The Public Safety and Law Committee made a recommendation that the speed limit on Endresen be set at 25 miles per hour for the entire length of the road. Councilmember McMillan moved to approve the committee report as presented. The motion was seconded. A brief discussion followed after which the motion passed by voice vote.

**Public Safety and Law  
Stop Signs on Aberdeen  
Avenue**

The Public Safety and Law Committee made a recommendation that stop signs be placed on Aberdeen Avenue at 24<sup>th</sup> Street and at 29<sup>th</sup> Street (eastbound and westbound at each intersection). Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of the committee report. The motion was seconded. Councilmember McMillan stated that this came before the council as a safety concern due to new bus stops in the area. The motion passed by voice vote.

**OFFICER REPORTS**

**Park Projects**

Mr. Shay provided a written report to the Council regarding Gable Park and Art Pocklington Playpark Project Proposals from Street, Lundgren and Foster. Renovations have been proposed for Gable Park using State grant funding. Fencing has been completed and new restrooms are the next phase. The Council approved funding in the amount of \$75,000 to replace the restrooms at Art Pocklington Central Playpark in this budget cycle. Mr. Shay spoke briefly about pre-fabricated restrooms that staff is considering. He recommends that council authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with Mr. Reiger for architectural services and further recommends that a soil engineer be hired to determine if any structural supports are necessary. Councilmember McMillan moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Street Lundgren and Foster. The motion passed by voice vote.

**Lagoon Permitting**

Mr. Shay provided Council with a proposal from Pacific International Engineering for permitting services necessary for the sewer lagoon project. The agreement is in the amount of \$8,500. Councilmember Dickhoff moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Pacific International Engineering. The motion was seconded and following a brief discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.



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**2008 Audit Results**

Mr. Folkers provided information to the Council regarding the recent 2008 Audit. The State Auditor has issued his report with no audit findings. Also due to the City's continued excellence in financial reporting, we are being placed on a two year audit cycle. Councilmember McMillan moved to accept the audit report. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**Hoquiam Register of  
Historic Places – Train  
Depot**

City Planner Alissa Thurman provided a written report to the Council regarding an application submitted by Mr. Shay to place the Hoquiam Train Depot on the Hoquiam Register of Historic Places. The Historic Preservation Commission met and reviewed this application and recommends that the City Council approve the application. Councilmember Dickhoff moved to approve the placement of the Train Depot on the Hoquiam Register of Historic Places. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**MAYORS REPORTS**

Wade Entezar, the developer from LaVogues, has stated that the reception he has received from the staff at the City has been very positive. They are planning to have the Seattles Best coffee shop open by the holidays with the restaurant and hotel to come later.

Mayor Durney complimented Councilmember Winkelman on the painting of his building on K Street.

Council was reminded of the upcoming Rain Festival and Art About scheduled for October 24, 2009. Various businesses will be displaying work from various artists, there will be a Mud Puddle Run sponsored by the City and the Lions Club will also be on hand selling rain derby tickets.

**COUNCIL REPORTS  
Levee Street Repair**

Councilmember Winkelman reported that the railroad fixed part of Levee Street (the block behind Swansons). It's much better to drive on.

**LEGAL BUSINESS  
Ordinances**

**Bond Anticipation Notes**

**An Ordinance of the City of Hoquiam, Washington, authorizing improvements to the City's sewage treatment facilities; declaring the estimated cost of the project;**



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authorizing the issuance of a water and sewer revenue bond anticipation note of the City in the principal amount of \$9,400,000 to establish a line of credit to provide interim financing for the project; fixing the date, form, terms, maturity, covenants and interest rate for the note; and confirming the sale of the note to U.S. Bank National Association. Councilmember Moir moved for the approval of the ordinance. The motion was seconded. Mr. Folkers provided a brief explanation on the ordinance. Following a second reading, the motion for approval of the ordinance passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Domestic Fowl Ordinance**

**An Ordinance relating to animals and domestic fowl; amending Sections 3.40.010 and 3.40.200 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code; adding a new Section 3.40.205 to the Hoquiam Municipal Code; and establishing an effective date.** A motion was made by Councilmember Moir to approve the ordinance and the motion was seconded. Mr. Johnson stated that the ordinance has set the number of chickens allowed to eight on a lot size of 22,500 sq. ft or less and twelve on a lot size greater then 22,500. He also stated that an effective date would need to be established. Councilmember McMillan moved to amend the ordinance to add an effective date of December 31, 2009. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. A discussion followed after which Mr. Folkers read the ordinance by title a seconded time and the motion to approve as amended passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Resolutions  
Initiative 1033**

**A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam, Washing, expressing its opposition to Initiative 1033.** Councilmember McMillan moved for support of the resolution. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS  
Signs for Roger Jump  
Blvd.**

Councilmember Daniels asked when the signs for Roger Jump Boulevard would be completed. Mr. Shay stated that the City of Aberdeen sign shop is currently working on those and we should have them soon.



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**AWC Regional Meeting**

Council was reminded that AWC will be holding a Regional Meeting/Dinner in Aberdeen, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you would like to register to attend please contact Tracy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Hyde moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

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JACK DURNEY – Mayor

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TRACY WOOD – Council Secretary



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