



**CITY OF HOQUIAM
Council Meeting Minutes**

July 26, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Durney and Councilmembers Dickhoff, Wiedl, Hyde, Moir, Nelson, Pellegrini and Winkelman. Absent from the meeting were Councilmembers Grun, McMillan, Shumate and Carlstrom.

COMMUNICATIONS

Hoquiam Business Association

Mr. Greg McHugh, representing the Hoquiam Business Association, spoke to the Council regarding the citizens and the City working together. The Goal of the HBA is to retain, sustain and attract healthy business and best business practices in the City of Hoquiam. There are currently 100 members. The business association is seeing 6 to 10 new members a month. Goals of the organization are to continue with their Executive Director position, prepare Hoquiam Businesses for future growth, retain existing businesses, help with Business “generational” transition; continue Façade improvements; create more “feet on the street” events; increase tourism awareness, continue the Partnership for Success with the City of Hoquiam.

Pacific Harbor Council of Boy Scouts

Mr. James Rutz, representing the Pacific Harbor Council of Boy Scouts, spoke to the Council regarding the importance of Scouting for youth. The Scouts are holding events almost every night of the week and have summer camps going now. They are bringing back Sea Scouts, Explorer Scouts are working with the Hoquiam Police Department, and there is the Eagle Scout Program. It costs the Pacific Harbor Council \$200 per year per scout and he is asking for help from Council as individuals to contribute to the scouting program financially and as volunteers, and asking the City to contact them if there are projects that Eagle Scouts can work on.

Traffic on 7th Street

Mr. David Hansen, 7th Street in Hoquiam, expressed his concerns with traffic safety on 7th and L. He would like to see yield signs on each corner of 7th Street and stop signs on each of the cross street corners. He also asked if someone could look into marking house numbers on the curbs for the residential areas.

LaRouche Political Action Committee

Mr. Ken Morikowa, 14712 Bothell Way NE, Lake Forest, WA, spoke to the council regarding the state of the economy and other issues facing citizens. He represents the LaRouche Political Action Committee and they are asking for support of



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the City governments across the Nation to support passage of the Glass-Steagall. He presented a Resolution to the Council and asked that they consider its passage.

Skateboard Park

Mr. Dustyn Rhoades, Hoquiam, spoke to the Council regarding the skateboard park. He and others would like to form a group to help with fundraising, record meetings, and work together with the city to help on the project. Councilmember Dickhoff made some suggestions as to how to form the committee and utilize others who have done this in the past. Columbia Pacific RC&D – helped Aberdeen on turf project. Jessie Cardenas is the Director and might be a good source of information.

Security Concerns

Mr. Jason Pellerine, 703 Simpson, Apt. 515, Hoquiam. spoke to the Council regarding the Security of their building (Emerson Manor which is a historic building). He asked if there were any issues in improving the locks and security due to the historic designation of the building. Staff suggested that he talk to the Housing Authority who own of the building. They would be responsible for repairs and improvement.

**LaRouche Political Action
Committee**

Mr. Doug Williams, Lake City, North Seattle, LaRouche Political Action committee, spoke in support of the Glass-Steagall and asked the Council to support the resolution that was presented to them earlier in the meeting.

Skateboard Park

Mr. Jeremy Stutesman, Hoquiam, spoke to the Council regarding possible issues with the skate park. Aberdeen has experienced vandalism and graffiti. He believes with the right planning and lighting, these things can be avoided. Councilmember Winkelman suggested that the group speak to the Grays Harbor Community Foundation for assistance in forming their group.

**Storage Shed for Loggers
Playday**

Mr. Folkers read a letter to the Council from the Logger's Playday Committee regarding the storage shed at Olympic Stadium. Staff provided some background information to the Council regarding previous discussions with the Playday Committee regarding the remodel and/or building of a new storage shed at the stadium. At a recent meeting between Committee members and the City it was determined that the Committee will remodel the current storage facility and pay a lease of \$1 per month so they can obtain renters insurance on the contents. They will cover all costs associated with the remodel. Councilmember Moir moved to accept this letter as



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intent of the committee and to approve it as presented. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Hyde moved for approval of items a through c on the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded. Those items appearing on the agenda were as follows:

- The Council Minutes of July 12, 2010;
- The Regulatory Committee report recommending approval and payment of claim check numbers 69741 through 69940 in the amount of \$537,691.19 and that payroll and benefits for the month of July, 2010, be approved and issued at the proper time;
- A Proclamation declaring the month of August 2010 as Breastfeeding Awareness Month in the City of Hoquiam.

The motion for approval of the consent agenda passed by voice vote.

OFFICER REPORTS

Administrative Car Bids

Mr. Folkers presented information to the Council regarding a recent request for bids for a 2010 Hybrid Sedan to be used for Administrative travel. One bid was received from Five Star for \$24,561.85 for a 2010 Hybrid. Councilmember Dickhoff moved to award the bid to Five Star and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary agreements. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**Critical Areas Variance
Procedures**

Mr. Folkers presented a staff report from City Planner, Alissa Thurman regarding recommended changes to the Critical Areas Variance Procedures. Councilmember Dickhoff moved to adopt the changes as presented. The motion was seconded and following a brief discussion, passed by voice vote.

MAYORS REPORTS

**Ride-a-long - Hoquiam
Police Department**

Mayor Durney spoke briefly about the opportunity for the Council to do ride-a-longs with officers from the Hoquiam Police Department. He encouraged the Councilmembers to participate in this program.

**Five Year Anniversary -
Brian Shay**

Mayor Durney honored Mr. Shay who has been with the City for 5 years now. He has handled various projects for public works, streets, sidewalks, biosolids, etc., and has done an excellent job.



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Council Reports

Council of Governments

Councilmember Pellegrini provided a brief report concerning the recent Council of Governments meeting. Mr. Tim Gibbs, the new Director of the EDC attended the meeting and spoke about the plans for EDC. Nancy Trask has retired and her replacement is doing a great job. There were some small changes to Rail Improvement Plan under TIP. Mayor Durney stated that Mr. Gibbs will be at the next Council meeting and he thanked Councilmember Moir for his work on EDC and the recruitment of Mr. Gibbs.

LEGAL BUSINESS

Ordinances

Salary Ordinance

An Ordinance fixing the compensation of the officers and employees of the City of Hoquiam from and after July 1, 2010; and repealing Ordinance No. 2010-01. Councilmember Dickhoff moved for the approval of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading, passed by a vote of 6 to 1 with Councilmember Wiedl voting no.

One Way Traffic on Levee

An Ordinance relating to one-way streets and alleys; designating that portion of Levee Street from 8th to 6th Street as one-way Northbound; and amending 7.80.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember Moir moved for the adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following a brief discussion and its second reading, the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Critical Areas Ordinance

An Ordinance relating to critical areas designation and preservation; amending Section 11.06.120 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember Moir moved for the adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTIONS

Community Fees Schedule

A Resolution establishing a Community Services Fee schedule. Councilmember Dickhoff moved for adoption of the resolution. The motion was seconded. Mr. Folkers briefly explained the permit fees that were changed after which the motion passed by voice vote.

Surplus Property

A Resolution declaring certain personal property owned by the City to be surplus items pursuant to Hoquiam Municipal Code Sections 1.64.005, 1.64.010 and 1.64.020. Councilmember Dickhoff moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.



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OLD BUSINESS

Ward 3 Council Vacancy

Councilmember Hyde moved to swear in Mr. Swope as the Councilmember for the vacant seat in Ward 3. The motion was seconded. Mayor Durney asked Mr. Swope to tell the Council something about himself. Mr. Swope stated that he has been in Hoquiam for 2 years and is interested in the history of our City and is committed to keeping the City moving in the direction it is going. Following a brief discussion wherein Mr. Swope answered questions for the Council the motion passed by voice vote.

**Amendment to Street,
Lundgren & Foster
Agreement - Farmers
Market**

At the last Council meeting, Council had postponed action on the staff report regarding approval of an amendment to the agreement with Street, Lundgren, Foster for schematic design and planning services for the Farmers Market. Councilmember Moir moved to bring the motion back to floor. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Councilmember Hyde had made a motion at the previous meeting to approve the staff report recommending approval of the amendment. The motion had been seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

**Levee Street One-Way
Designation**

Councilmember Winkelman spoke briefly regarding the use of Levee Street by Logger's Playday for the truck driving competition. Staff will close the road this year from 8th to 6th.

Excuse Absent Members

Councilmember Hyde moved to excuse the absent members. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

ADJOURN

Councilmember Moir moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

JACK DURNEY – Mayor

TRACY WOOD – Council Secretary