



**CITY OF HOQUIAM
Council Meeting Minutes**

June 13, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

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

PROCLAMATION

James Maloney

Mr. Folkers read a proclamation honoring Deputy Chief Maloney who recently retired from the city after 34 years. Chief Myers stated that Jim was a class act and he will be hard to replace.

COMMUNICATIONS

Terms of Office

Mr. Dave Forbes, 2216 Aberdeen Ave., congratulated the Mayor on his candidacy for 3rd term as Mayor. Mr. Forbes also asked if the city is not going to sell the parking lot downtown, he has noticed that the sign is down. Mayor Durney stated that the sign has been removed at this time but the City is still interested in selling the lot in the future.

**Loggers Playday Parade
Route**

Mr. Don Bell, 3373 Wishkah Road, Aberdeen, spoke to the council regarding the Loggers Playday Parade route. The Loggers Playday Committee would like to see the route go back to the original location of Simpson, 8th and K. Mr. Bell stated that Loggers Playday is very successful and bring a lot of visitors to the area. The Committee is made up of a broad diverse group of people who volunteer their time to this event. The Parade route needs to be left alone. Mayor Durney stated that the City was asked if they liked the alternate route used last and if they would approve this route for the 2011 parade. Council stated that they would. He further stated that the alternate route was better for traffic, did not block the State highway and was easier for the staff who work the parade. We approved the request that was made to us.

Loggers Playday Parade

Ms. Bonnie Cable, 615 Washington Court, Co-chair of the parade stated that the Parade Committee worked together with the city to come up with an alternate route last year and it was the smoothest the parade has ran in over 30 years. The new route is much easier on the parade committee and on the parade



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participants as well as the staff from the city that are on duty that day.

Loggers Playday Parade

Mr. Butch Charles Bridges, 107 Valley Road, Hoquiam. Mr. Bridges stated that he has been involved in the parade for many years and believes the new route is safer for participants and the participants liked it better, the route seemed to work well.

Loggers Playday Parade

Mr. Don Bell, spoke again regarding the parade. He stated that the Committee wants the route back to the original and the Committee can't guarantee sponsorship as they have in the past if the route is not set back to the original. Mayor Durney again stated that the Parade Committee asked for approval to use the 2010 route. That is what was presented to Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- The City Council Minutes of May 23, 2011;
- The Regulatory Committee report recommending approval and payment of claim check numbers 72287 through 72328 in the amount of \$488,085.66 and payroll check numbers 24522 through 24608 in the amount of \$510,223.78;
- A request for Release of Bonds to Sierra Pacific for Timber Sales 10-05A and 10A and 10-07A

The motion for approval passed by voice vote.

OFFICER REPORTS

**6-Year TIP Public Hearing
Date**

Staff requested that Council set a Public Hearing date of June 23, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. for the 6 Year TIP. Councilmember McMillan moved to set the hearing as requested; the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

MAYORS REPORTS

Mayor Durney stated that Councilmember Hyde suffered a small stroke over the weekend but he is doing well and hopes to be home on Tuesday. He reminded council of their Gambling Debt to Mr. Hyde who did not file for reelection.

Mayor Durney reviewed the financial impacts of Grays Harbor Paper on the City. Staff and Administration as well as the Executive Committee have been meeting to discuss ways to



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absorb the impact and EDC is working on finding someone who might be interested in purchase of the mill. The hope is also that the current owners might be able to work through this.

Mayor Durney announced that the City has been award the Smart Communities Award from the Governor for the third time for our downtown improvement project.

Mayor Durney discussed a property that is owned by the County and was in need of clean up. Commissioner Willis organized a crew and the property has been taken care of.

LEGAL BUSINESS

ORDINANCES

**Deputy Police Chief Job
Description**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the position of Deputy Police Chief; adding a new Section 1.12.276 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading, passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Deputy Fire Chief Job
Description**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the position of Deputy Fire Chief; adding a new Section 1.12.210 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Deputy Finance Director
Job Description**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the position of Deputy Finance Director; adding a new Section 1.12.078 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Truck Routes – Levee St.

AN ORDINANCE relating to truck routes; amending Section 7.80.080 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember Moir moved for adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded. A brief discussion followed wherein staff explained that the changes made to the ordinance only apply to Levee Street. Following the second reading, the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

OTHER LEGAL

**Hoquiam School District
Rental Agreement**

A Rental Agreement between the Hoquiam School District and the City of Hoquiam for use of Olympic Stadium and John Gable Park for the athletic program was presented to the Council. Mr. Shay explained that the agreement was changed



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to reflect a lease amount of \$2,650. The school district has agreed to do all non-maintenance preparations for the games as well as clean-up of the stands and restrooms. Councilmember Moir moved for adoption of the agreement. The motion was seconded. Councilmember McMillan moved to amend the agreement to include one middle school game. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. The main motion, as amended, passed by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

**Ward 6 Council Position
Vacancy**

Councilmember Moir entertained a motion to appoint Kay Diehm to the vacant council seat in Ward 6 that she filed for. She is running unopposed for the vacancy. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Mr. Folkers issued the oath of office to Mrs. Diehm. She will officially begin her service at the June 27, 2011 council meeting.

PROCLAMATION

Karen Eichelsdorfer

Mr. Folkers read a Proclamation recognizing Karen Eichelsdorfer for her 44 years of service with the School District. The proclamation declares June 17th as Karen Eichelsdorfer day in the City of Hoquiam.

Excuse Absent Members

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

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember McMillan moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

JACK DURNEY – Mayor

TRACY WOOD – Council Secretary