



**CITY OF HOQUIAM
Council Meeting Minutes**

July 25, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

Staff in attendance were Fire Chief Ray Pumphrey, Sgt. Don Wertenen, City Librarian Mary Thornton, City Planner Alissa Thurman, City Attorney Steve Johnson, City Administrator Brian Shay, Finance Director Mike Folkers and Council Secretary Tracy Wood.

**Governor's Smart
Communities Award –
Downtown Revitalization**

Ms. Thurman spoke briefly regarding the Governor's Smart Communities Award recently awarded to the City for the downtown revitalization project. She thanked the businesses that have made improvements and worked with the city on this project. She presented Certificates from the Governor to the Bill and Linda Gibbons from the 8th Street Ale House, Mrs. Wade Entezar representing LaVogues and Ms. Mickey Thurman representing Levee Feed and Supply and the 7th Street Theatre.

COMMUNICATIONS

**Library District
Annexation**

Mr. Dave Forbes, 2216 Aberdeen Avenue, Hoquiam, again spoke regarding the Ordinance on annexation of the Library. He would like to have the Council take more time in reviewing the options as he believes this is a permanent solution to a temporary problem.

Ian Cope

Mayor Durney recognized Ian Cope who will be leaving the radio station for a position in Olympia and no longer be reporting on the City of Hoquiam Council. The City has appreciated his reporting on the council and city. Ian thanked the Council and introduced Daniel Hargrove who will be taking over the reporting.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- The City Council Minutes of July 11, 2011;
- The Regulatory Committee report recommending approval and payment of claim check numbers 72553



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through 72756 in the amount of \$899,708.54 and that payroll and benefits for the month of August 2011 be approved and issued at the proper time.

- A request for approval and acceptance and release of retainage and bonds and a request for approval of all change orders and quantity adjustments for Rognlin's, Inc., for the downtown sidewalk project;
- A Service Provider Agreement for IT Services between the City of Hoquiam and Bobby Jackson.

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

OFFICER REPORTS

**Department of
Archaeology and Historic
Preservation Grant**

Ms. Thurman provided a written report to the council regarding the application submitted by the City to the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation for funds to create a Downtown Historic District. The City has received the grant and will use the funds to hire a consultant to prepare a district nomination, update the historic inventory forms and lead a public process which will include the downtown property owners. Staff requests that Council approve the acceptance of the grant and authorize the Mayor to sign the grant contract with DAHP to move forward with the Downtown Historic District nomination. Councilmember McMillan moved for approval of the staff request. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**Weekend Warrant Sweep
#7**

Council received a written report on the Warrant Sweep held the weekend of July 9th. Twenty-seven prisoners were booked into the jail. \$13,350 in bail was collected.

MAYOR'S REPORTS

**National Night Out Block
Parties**

Mayor Durney reminded Council that Tuesday, August 2nd is National Night Out. Councilmembers are invited to ride along with staff to visit the neighborhood block parties.

Outdoor Cinema

Mayor Durney reminded Council that on Saturday, July 30th; the City will sponsor the Outdoor Cinema at Olympic Stadium.

**Habitat for Humanity
Home**

Each Councilmember should have received an invitation to the latest Habitat for Humanity home open house. He encouraged Councilmembers to attend the open house.

Showcase Grays Harbor

Council was reminded of the Economic Development Council -



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Showcase Grays Harbor which will be on September 16th. If anyone is interested in attending please let staff know.

**LEGAL BUSINESS
ORDINANCES
Library Annexation**

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam, stating the intent of the City of Hoquiam to join the Timberland Regional Library District, finding that the public interest will be served thereby, and requesting that the Grays Harbor County Commissions call a special election to be held to determine whether the City of Hoquiam should be annexed to and be part of the Timberland Regional Library District. Councilmember Moir moved for adoption of the Ordinance. The motion was seconded. Councilmember McMillan asked Ms. Thornton if the library board is in support of this annexation. At the last meeting of the Library Board they voted in support of the annexation. Mr. Folkers read the Ordinance by title a second time after which the motion for approval of the Ordinance passed by a vote of 7 to 4 with Councilmembers Carlstrom, Diehm, Hyde and Wiedl voting no

**RESOLUTIONS
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 McMillan moved for the adoption of the resolution, the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS
Moratorium on Medical
Marijuana Dispensaries
and Collective Gardens**

Councilmember Carlstrom spoke briefly regarding the recent moratoriums enacted by the Council on medical marijuana and collective gardens. She asked staff if we could work together with other cities that are doing the same as we are. Mayor Durney stated that AWC is working on this and that there is new language from the Federal government regarding the regulations. Will stay in contact with AWC.

**NEW BUSINESS
Excuse Absent Member**

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

Paint the Corridor

Councilmember Hyde spoke briefly about the Paint the Corridor project. He asked if something could be done with the old Moose Lodge and the two buildings on the waterfront. Mr. Shay stated that the property owners have been notified regarding these buildings.



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Also discussed were the two houses located next to the old Thumpers tavern. Mr. Shay stated that letters have been sent out to owners of those properties as well and that code compliance is working on this. There has also been a letter sent to the property located by Al's Humdinger. Staff will be following up on this property in the near future. It was also noted that the old fire station property has a new owner.

Lodging Tax Advisory Meeting

Councilmember Dickhoff announced that there would be a Lodging Tax Advisory Board meeting on August 3rd at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember McMillan moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

JACK DURNEY – Mayor

TRACY WOOD – Council Secretary