



**CITY OF HOQUIAM  
Council Meeting Minutes**

**October 8, 2012**

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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**

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

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

**PUBLIC HEARING –  
2013-2014 Budget**

Councilmember McMillan moved to open the Public Hearing to discuss the 2013-2014 Budget at 7:01 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Mayor Durney stated that this is the preliminary budget. It has been posted on the website and is available at the library for public review. There were no public comments and Councilmember McMillan moved to close the hearing at 7:02 p.m.

**COMMUNICATIONS  
E-Verify System**

Jack Tippen, 2101 Hwy 508, Onalaska, came to speak to the council regarding E-Verify operated by Homeland Security. E-Verify matches name and social security number to verify that undocumented workers can't displace U.S. Citizens. There are currently 18 states that require all state contractors to use E-Verify. There is no cost to sign up to participate. We should not be spending tax payer money to hire undocumented workers. The communities look to the Council as leaders to set the example.

Robin Roy, 186 Calvin Road, Cinnabar and Janis Montgomery, 559 Pleasant Hill Road, Winlock also spoke in support of E-Verify.

**Farmers Market**

Barbara Bennett-Parsons thanked the city for the recent expansion of Farmers Market and the future improvements that will be done over the next year.

**E-Verify**

Stan Blunt, 1815 Arnold Street, Aberdeen, spoke regarding sponsorship of people from other countries.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember McMillan moved to approve items a and b as presented and the motion was seconded. Those items appearing on the consent agenda were as follows:



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- The City Council minutes of September 24, 2012;
- The Regulatory Committee report recommending that claim check numbers 75783 through 75814 in the amount of \$406,251.53 be approved.

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Public Safety – Road Signs**

The Public Safety Committee made a recommendation that the City have no parking 150 west of 27<sup>th</sup> on the south-side of Bay Avenue. This would allow safe entry onto Bay Avenue and that the City remove the two no truck parking signs on 27<sup>th</sup> St. on the south side of Bay Avenue but keep the No Parking Here to the Corner on 27<sup>th</sup> and Bay. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**OFFICERS REPORTS**

**Warrant Sweep #10**

Warrant Sweep #10 started two days earlier than scheduled. The jail was open for 14 days. A total of 68 prisoners were booked into the jail on a combination of warrants and new charges. Twelve inmates booked were a result of new charges. The jail also started accepting state DOC probation violators. 17 DOC offenders were booked and held at the jail and DOC was billed \$4,320 for that period. 14 prisoners posted bail resulting in the collection of \$20,350 in bail money. A total of 68 municipal court warrants were cleared. Chief Myers spoke briefly regarding the DOC probation violators and procedural issues, paperwork and billing. He also stated that 116 applications were received for the corrections positions. 86 of the applicants took the written test and the top 42 proceeded to the Oral Boards. The Civil Service will certify the list and the department will proceed to doing backgrounds, etc., on the top 6.

**Timber Sale 2012-2**

The City recently called for bids regarding Timber Sale 2012-2 for approximately 30 acres of timber which is on the 10 year harvest plan. Three bids were received as follows: Dahlstrom Lumber in the amount of \$804,000; Murphy Lumber in the amount of \$781,324.39; and Sierra Pacific Industries in the amount of \$743,500.00. Staff recommends that the Council award the bid to Dahlstrom Lumber as the apparent high bidder and authorize the Mayor to sign any necessary documents. Councilmember Moir moved for approval of the staff recommendation and the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.



**Bond Levy for Ladder Truck**

The Fire Department submitted a request to the Council for approval to submit a bond levy for the purchase of a new ladder truck. Cost for the vehicle would be approximately \$1.2M. Councilmember McMillan moved for the approval to submit the bond levy on a February ballot and the motion was seconded. Following a brief discussion, the motion passed by voice vote. Cost for the ballot issue would be approximately \$14,000 which could be less if another ballot issue is submitted from another city.

**MAYOR'S REPORTS**  
**Campaign Signs**

Mayor Durney spoke briefly regarding campaign sign size restrictions in our current code. Mayor Durney stated that the standard size of sign made by campaigns is 4' x 8' and our code restricts them to 4' x 4'. There is a resolution later in the meeting to allow the change in size.

**Jail Contract**

Mayor Durney spoke regarding a recent meeting he attended with the new Sheriff, Rick Scott, and they spoke about the proposed jail contract as well as the canoe journey being planned for next year. The Quinault Indian Nation is hosting the event. He hopes after their discussions the contract will move along in the near future.

**County Appointments**

The Mayor spoke regarding the election process and those positions that require elections where other positions are appointed in the County. He also spoke regarding the credentials that are required. Department Heads at the County are elected.

**County Levy Shift**

Mayor Durney spoke regarding the Levy Shift. He believes this is a tax against the citizens in the cities and they are being taxed a second time.

Our application for consideration to the State to have one of the new ferries named "Hoquiam" has made it to the final names being considered.

**Great Shakeout**

The City will be participating in the "Great Shakeout" on October 18<sup>th</sup>. This is an emergency preparedness drill. City Hall will be closed during the drill and he hopes that citizens will take advantage of the drill as well.

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**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**7<sup>th</sup> St. Theatre Sign**

Councilmember McMillan stated that the new Candle Sign will be going up this week at the 7<sup>th</sup> Street Theatre.

**LEGAL BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCES**

**Animal Control and City  
Parks**

An Ordinance relating to animal control and city parks; amending Subsection (2) of Section 3.40.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of the ordinance and the motion was seconded. Mr. Folkers read the ordinance by title a second time after which the motion passed by a roll call vote of 8 to 3 with Councilmembers Dickhoff, Moir and Pellegrini voting no.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Surplus Property**

A Resolution declaring certain personal property owned by the City to be surplus items pursuant to Hoquiam Municipal Code Section 1.64.005, 1.64.101 and 1.64.020. The surplus item is a Hewlett Packard Printer/Scanner/Copier belonging to the Street Department. Councilmember Moir moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**Campaign Sign Size**

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam, Washington, relating to an amendment of Title 10, pursuant to Section 10.07.140 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember Moir moved for the adoption of the resolution. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**E-Verify System**

Councilmember Moir asked that Council refer the E-verify System discussion to the Regulatory for further review.

**Executive Session**

Mayor Durney announced that there would be a short recess after which the council would convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussion on possible litigation. The executive session will last approximately 20 minutes after which the Council will reconvene in regular session for possible action. Councilmember McMillan moved that the council adjourn for a two minute recess and come back to order in executive session. The motion was seconded and passed at 8:04 p.m.

Mayor Durney called the regular meeting back to order at 8:13 p.m.

**Grays Harbor Plywood**

Councilmember McMillan moved that the City accept the amount of \$10,000 as the fair market value of the portions of



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alleys and streets to be vacated pursuant to Ordinance 2012-08. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**New Cingular Wireless**

Councilmember McMillan moved the Mayor be authorized to accept the offer of settlement in the case of New Cingular Wireless vs. Hoquiam in the amount of \$2,438.11. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Moir moved to adjourn at 8:15 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