

CITY OF HOQUIAM
Council Meeting Minutes

March 28, 2016

CALL TO ORDER City Attorney Steve Johnson led the flag salute and Mayor Dickhoff called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL In attendance at the meeting were Mayor Dickhoff and Councilmembers Anderson, Carlstrom, Grun, Livingston, Nelson, Pellegrini, Simera, Swope, Wilson and Winkelman. Absent from the meeting was Councilmember Pennant.

COMMUNICATIONS

New Animal Control Officer Chief Myers introduced Tom Taylor, the new Animal Control Officer. Tim will be providing animal control and code compliance services for the city.

Firefighter/Paramedic Chief Dean introduced Joe McCabe, the newest Firefighter/Paramedic for the City. Joe started with the city in March. .

E-Verify Bill Wieland, 600 Washington Court, stated his opposition to the E-Verify requirement on contractors currently required by the City. This requirement was put into effect by the Federal Government and it is not the law of the land. The City is paying a significant amount of increased costs due to this requirement.

E-Verify Dave Forbes, 2216 Aberdeen Avenue, stated his support of E-Verify. It is not expensive for the contractor to participate. If the City is not going to require e-verify then we need some kind of system in place to make sure that the contractors are using legal workers.

E-Verify Robin Barkholm 2939 Sumner Avenue, heard a lot of good arguments for both sides regarding the E-Verify program. She feels the City should be using local contractors from our area and that the City could look at a dollar limit on which contracts/contractors are required to follow E-Verify.

E-Verify Pat Muhlouser, 2631 Queets, stated her support for the E-Verify program.

E-Verify County Commissioner Frank Gordon, stated that L&I will provide information on every contractor that submits bids or works for the City. They are required to obtain a license through the State.

CONSENT AGENDA Councilmember Grun moved to support consent agenda 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 March 14, 2016;
- The Regulatory Committee Report recommending approval and payment of claim check numbers 83921 through 84283 for \$ \$1,264,943.62.

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

OFFICER REPORTS

WWTP SCADA Bids

Mr. Shay provided a written report to the Council regarding the WWTP SCADA System Bids. One bid was received from Coast Controls and Automation, Inc. out of Elma for \$56,258.50. Staff recommends that Council approve the bid and authorize the Mayor to sign any necessary documents. Councilmember Pellegrini moved to approve the contract and award the bid. The motion was seconded. Following a brief background discussion on the condition of the old equipment and the company, the motion to approve passed by voice vote.

**TIMBERWORKS – Walking
Tour**

The cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam have begun to develop a resiliency and restoration master plan to reduce flood risk, enhance fish habitat and increase recreation and open space opportunities. There will be a walking two walking tours on Thursday, March 31st for anyone interested in attending. The Frye Creek Tour begins at 9:00 at Grays Harbor PUD and the Wilson Creek Tour will begin at 2:00 at the Rotary Log Pavilion.

MAYOR REPORTS

Council Retreat

There will be a Council Retreat on April 18, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Staff will provide more details on the location and agenda in the near future.

LEGAL BUSINESS

Resolutions

Rescinding E-Verify

A Resolution repealing Resolution No. 2013-03, which established and adopted a policy requiring that public works contracts provide that all public works contractors must utilize the Federal E-Verify Program to verify that each employee of the contractor and any sub-contractor are legally authorized to be employed in the United States. Councilmember Pellegrini moved to bring the resolution off the table and the motion was seconded and passed. The motion that was tabled was to pass the resolution and rescind the e-verify requirement. Several Councilmembers stated their opposition and support of the E-Verify requirement after which the motion to support the resolution failed by a vote of 7 to 4.

Supporting MRSC

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam, Washington, expressing support for full state funding of the

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Municipal Research and Services Center. Councilmember Pellegrini moved to adopt the resolution and the motion was seconded. Mr. Shay provided some background information on the current funding and proposed changes by the State after which the motion to approve the Resolution passed by voice vote.

OTHER LEGAL

2016 Environmental
Monitoring – Hoquiam
Landfill

Included in the packets was a proposal from Parametrix to provide 2016 Environmental Monitoring of the Hoquiam Landfill. Total cost will be \$20,241 but does not include the laboratory analyses. Those invoices will be reviewed and forwarded to the city for payment. Councilmember Pellegrini moved for approval of the agreement with Parametrix and the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. A brief discussion followed on how much longer the City will be required to monitor the landfill. Staff is currently working on the issue.

Council Vacancy

Angela Forkum and Jennifer Gillies both spoke to the Council regarding their interest in the Ward 6 Council position. They reviewed their qualifications and why they would like to service on the Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Collective Bargaining
Agreement with AFSCME and
Vacant Ward 6 Council
Position

A motion was made to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the Collective Bargaining Agreement with AFSCME and to discuss the candidates that have expressed interest in the vacant Ward 6 Council position at 7:50 p.m. The session will last for approximately 20 minutes and possible action will be taken when Council comes back to order in regular session. The motion to move to executive session was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Call to Order

Council came back to order in regular session at 8:18 p.m.

AFSCME Collective
Bargaining Agreement

Councilmember Pellegrini moved to approve the labor contract with AFSCME. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote

OLD BUSINESS

Ward 6 Council Vacancy

Angela Forkum was chosen to fill the Council vacancy by receiving the majority of Council votes. She was sworn into office to serve as the newest Council representative for Ward 6.

NEW BUSINESS

Signage

Councilmember Winkelman stated that HBA will be discussing the Sign Code and providing ideas to the Planning Commission on what they feel the changes should be.

Councilmember Winkelman also stated that his building is available for the Council retreat.

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Excuse Absent Members

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Paul McMillan, 2401 Queets, stated that he believes the Council has accomplished a lot and appreciates the discussion he heard on the various items.

Bill Wieland stated that he likes the second session of public communication and appreciates the Council letting the citizens have this second opportunity.

ADJOURN

Councilmember Pellegrini moved to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Jasmine Dickhoff – Mayor

Tracy Wood – Council Secretary

