

CITY OF HOQUIAM
Council Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dickhoff called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Administrator Shay led the flag salute after which the council recognized a moment of silence in honor of Deputy chief James Maloney who recently passed away.

ROLL CALL

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING

Neighborhood Stabilization program

Councilmember Grun moved to open the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Mr. Shay explained the program and that the hearing is needed to close out the program. The program was administered by Neighborworks. There were no public comments and Councilmember Grun moved to close the hearing at 7:10 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS

Demonstration Shared Waters Shared Values

Mr. Arnie Martin, 600 Chenault Avenue, thanked those who attended the demonstration.

Queen Avenue – Pedestrian Safety

Jeffrey Durham, again spoke to the Council regarding the problem with vehicles on Queen Avenue and the safety of the children. He asked what the status of installing speed limit signs in that area is. Staff stated that this issue has been referred to the Public Safety Committee for their review and recommendation to the Council.

Oil Terminals/Westway Expansion

President Fawn Sharp from the Quinault Nation spoke to the council regarding the proposed expansion by Westway of new oil storage tanks. She thanked the City for the opportunity to address the council and for the opportunity they had to hold the opposition rally on July 8, 2016. It was quite humbling to realize that our values resonate with not only our own citizens but across the Nation. She believes that the city has not only a constitutional basis, but also a legal basis to deny the Westway permits. Under the draft EIS, it is clear that there will be impacts to our natural areas. That basis alone is a valid reason to deny the permit. She encourages the city to look at those potential impacts. They will

affect thousands of people in the future. It is the duty of the body to deny the permit. There is a constitutional basis under the public trust doctrine to protect against impacts in the future. Public trust doctrine provides a defense against the city being sued by the corporation. It is unconscionable and unthinkable that these impacts are not being considered. The City needs to review the information from the many entities and groups who are all working in collaboration with each other. Shared Waters/Shared Values.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Grun moved for approval of items a and b on the consent agenda as presented and the motion was seconded. Those items appearing on the consent agenda were as follows:

- The City Council Minutes of August 22, 2016;
- Information on Hometown Sanitation Rate Increases

Councilmember Wilson asked a question regarding the cost of the rate increases. Ms. Schmid stated that it is based on the CPI and is included in their agreement with the City. It will be approximately 12 cents per month. Following further discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.

OFFICER REPORTS

Library Roof

Mr. Shay provided a written report to the council regarding the recent call for bids on the Library Roof replacement project. Two bids were received as follows: Western Washington construction \$241,960; Lupo constructions \$260,000. Staff recommends that the Council award the bid to Western Washington construction as the lowest apparent bidder. Councilmember Forkum moved for approval of the bids and to award the bid to Western Washington construction. The motion was seconded and following a brief discussion, passed by voice vote.

Police Department Roof

Mr. Shay provided a written report to the Council regarding the recent call for bids on the Police Department roof replacement project. Two bids were received as follows: Western Washington Construction \$57,690; Lupo construction \$69,450. Staff recommends that Council award the bid to Western Washington Construction as the apparent low bidder. Councilmember Grun moved for approval of the bids and to award the bid to Western Washington Construction as the apparent low bidder. The motion was seconded and following a brief discussion, passed by voice vote.

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MAYORS REPORTS

Appointments to Cemetery Board

Mayor Dickhoff asked for council concurrence on the appointment of Bill Wieland, Ron Tibbetts and Gary Patterson to serve on the Cemetery Board. Councilmember Grun moved to concur and the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Service for Deputy Chief Maloney

Mayor Dickhoff announced that there will be an inurnment for retired Deputy chief James Maloney at sunset Memorial park on Friday, September 16th followed by a memorial service at Light and Life Church on Simpson Avenue, Hoquiam.

Loggers Playday

Loggers Playday was a great success. Mayor Dickhoff thanked the volunteers from Our Lady of Good Help and Saran Lutheran Church for their help in cleaning up Sunday morning.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Friends of the Stadium

Councilmember Forkum stated that the first initial meeting of Friends of the Stadium was held tonight before the regular Council meeting. There were over 20 people in attendance that provided input on what they believe the priorities and future goals should be. They will announce the next meeting at a future date.

LEGAL BUSINESS

Resolutions

Adopting Downtown Historic District Guidelines

A Resolution of the City Council for the City of Hoquiam adopting design guidelines for the Hoquiam Downtown Historic District. Councilmember Wilson moved to adopt the resolution and the motion was seconded. A brief discussion followed after which the motion to adopt 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 Section 1.64.005, 1.64.010 and 1.64.020. Councilmember Grun moved for adoption of the Resolution and the motion was seconded. Following a brief discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.

Temporary Interfund Loan

A Resolution authorizing a temporary interfund loan. Councilmember Grun moved for the adoption of the resolution and the motion was seconded. The loan is for the purpose of funding the replacement of the tile roof at the Police Station. Following a brief discussion, the motion for approval passed by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Employee Barbeque

Councilmember Forkum spoke briefly regarding the employee barbeque that was not held earlier this month. She and Councilmember Anderson would like to propose that the Council

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host a catered Thanksgiving lunch for the employees to recognize their work. She moved that the Council Special Fund be used to fund the cost. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Mr. Shay stated that staff will notify them on what date would work for the employees.

NEW BUSINESS

Holidays

Councilmember Anderson asked if Council would be meeting on Columbus Day. Mr. Shay stated that City Hall is opened on that day and Council will meet unless they vote otherwise.

Public Safety Meeting

Councilmember Carlstrom announced that the Public Safety Committee will meet following next council meeting.

Cemetery Board

Councilmember Grun announced that the Cemetery Board will meet on October 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

COMMUNICATIONS

Library Project and Signage for North End

Tracy Jones, Hoquiam, asked what the square footage of the library roof was and will the roof repair meet historical standards. Mr. Shay stated he could get her an answer on the footage if she would like to check with him tomorrow. She also stated that the North End suffers from speeding vehicles and with children playing in that area, they really need new signage.

Westway Permits

Larry Thiebeck, Ocean Shores, stated he has been a commercial fisherman for over 45 years and wants to remind council of the amount of money that comes from fisheries. He submitted comments during the formal EIS process and still opposes the issuance of these permits. He asked the Council to meet the requests of the Quinault Nation. The permits can and should be denied due to the possible impacts and risks.

Westway Permits

Linda Orgle, State Route 101, spoke about the fires that are being caused by oil spills. Firefighters cannot get close enough to these fires to even try and put them out. The fires are not the only problem, the destruction of the land such as wetlands, creeks, waterways, etc., need to be considered. The city should not allow the proposed expansion or oil trains in our city. She commended President sharp on her comments.

Westway Permits

Dave Forbes, 2216 Aberdeen Avenue, Hoquiam, stated he appreciates the comments that have been made and hopes that the Council finds some way to stop this.

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- Standing Rock Support Christi Owens, Hoquiam, stated that she is holding a rally in Hoquiam, at Riverside Park, showing support for the Standing Rock Reservation. It will begin at 1:00 tomorrow.
- Library Mary Thornton stated that the Library will not be closed next Thursday. Also, they will try and remain open during the roof repairs unless the contractor tells them otherwise due to safety.
- Westway Permits and Oil Tom Davis, 604 3rd Avenue, Aberdeen, stated that he has lived and worked on the harbor for over 30 years. His heart goes out to the people in the Dakotas. He asked that the city not let corporate America bully them
- Westway Permits and Oil Allen Rickrod, 5th Ward Aberdeen City Councilmember. Mr. Rickrod spoke in support of the Quinault Indian Nation and President sharps comments. Oil storage is far from what we need or want on the harbor. He will vigorously oppose anything like this that will impact resources in the future.
- Westway Permits and Oil Aaron Watkins, wants to support and reiterate everything that has been said. The tribe will back the City.
- Westway Permits and Oil Lisa Chappel, Hoquiam, stated that she has spoken against crude oil many times in front of the Council. This area is beautiful and we need to protect it from the damages that can be caused. It is far too precious to allow this or any other company to destroy it.
- Excuse Absent Members Councilmember Grun moved to excuse the absent members who notified staff. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.
- Watershed Committee The Watershed Committee will be meeting in the Mayors' Office following the regular meeting.
- ADJOURN** Councilmember Grun moved to adjourn at 8:16 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Jasmine Dickhoff – Mayor

Tracy Wood – Council Secretary

