

CITY OF HOQUIAM
Council Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dickhoff called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. County Commissioner Vickie Raines led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

In attendance at the meeting were Mayor Dickhoff and Councilmembers Anderson, Carlstrom, George, Hinchey, McMillan, Nelson, Patterson, Puvogel, Reid and Winkelman. Absent from the meeting were Councilmembers Grun and Wilson.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

House Bill 1406 – Cassie Lentz, GH County Public Health and Commissioner Vickie Raines

House Bill 1406 – Cassie Lentz, Social Services Manager at GH County Public Health and Social Services and County provided information to the County regarding House Bill 1406 and how it relates to the Resolution later on the agenda. It allows cities and counties to retain a portion of the State portion of the sales and use tax for affordable and supportive housing. The County is in the process of developing an affordable housing pipeline. Revenue if pooled will be just under \$163,000. The County is asking the City to vote to defer the City portion of the money to the County who will manage the funding. The money can roll over and as far as they know now, there is no time limit. This amount would be for the next 20 years. Westport has already officially deferred. Affordable housing is a large contributor to homelessness. Healthygh.org has information from their report. County only has enough resources to help 1 in 4 homeless people. The County works closely with other organizations such as CCAP to help individuals in Grays Harbor. The County was recently recognized by the State as 1 out of 4 rural areas for their work on housing and homelessness. Also in attendance to answer any questions was County Commissioner Vickie Raines.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember McMillan moved for the approval of Consent Agenda Item a, the City Council Minutes of September 23, 2019. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

OFFICER REPORTS

Purchase of Hydraulic Jackhammer

Included in the packet was a request from City Administrator Shay to purchase a new hydraulic jackhammer for the Public Works Department. The current backhoe mounted hydraulic jackhammer was purchased in the early 90's and cannot be repaired as parts are no longer available. Cost for the jackhammer through Pape Machinery is \$11,301.61. It is not included in the 2019-2020 budget and will need to be paid through the equipment rental

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reserves or the utility reserve fund. Councilmember McMillan moved for approval of the staff recommendation to authorize staff to purchase the jackhammer. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Water Treatment Plant/Forest Patrol Truck Included in the Council packet was a request from City Administrator Shay to authorize staff to purchase a new truck off the state contract to replace truck #40, the Water Treatment Plant/Forest Patrol Truck. The replacement truck would cost \$34,755.21. \$30,361 was allocated from the equipment rental fund with the remaining portion to come from the water fund. This replacement was included in the 2019-2020 budget. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of this officer report and to allow staff to purchase the new truck. His motion was seconded. A brief discussion was held on the intent to keep the old truck. Mr. Shay stated it will be used by seasonal employees or other staff as necessary. Following no further discussion, the motion to approve the report to authorize the purchase passed by voice vote.

MAYOR REPORTS

AWC On Tap

Mayor Dickhoff thanked the Councilmembers and staff who attended the AWC On Tap on October 8th. She also thanked everyone who attended the Cooperative Services Feasibility Study for Fire Service meetings with the City of Aberdeen and the public.

Collaborative Feasibility Study – Special Council Committee

The Public Safety Committee has recommended that a special Council committee be formed to review the Cooperative Services Feasibility Study in depth and she asked which Councilmembers would be interested in being on that committee. Councilmembers Hinchey, Anderson, Puvogel and McMillan all expressed interest. Mayor Dickhoff deferred this item to the Committee on Committees. She called for a 5 minute recess at 7:23 p.m. to allow the Committee on Committees to discuss these appointments. The meeting was called back to order at 7:28 p.m. The Committee on Committees made a recommendation that Councilmembers McMillan, Puvogel, Hinchey and Anderson all serve on the exploratory committee.

COUNCIL REPORTS

My Town Coalition

Councilmember McMillan announced that Jason Kilmer from the University of Washington will be coming to Aberdeen October 30th at 6:30 at the Aberdeen High School Auditorium to speak on prevention and intervention efforts for alcohol and marijuana and other drug use. This is being sponsored by the My Town Coalition.

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HBA The Hoquiam Business Association will meet at 5:30 on Wednesday at the Cycle Shop.

Robin Moore Council and citizens were asked to keep Robin Moore in their thoughts. She recently suffered a stroke and is in the hospital.

Haunted Hoquiam – Downtown Trick or Treating The HBA has announced that Haunted Hoquiam will be on October 26, 2019, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. for the downtown trick or treating. The event starts at Village concepts at 1:00 and other activities have been planned. A list of the participating businesses will be available later this week.

LEGAL
Resolutions

Surplus Property – HPD Tasers 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. The items to be surplus are seven Tasers owned by the Hoquiam Police Department. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of this resolution and his motion was seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

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Declaring the City’s Intent to Not Levy a Sales and Use Tax Nor Adopt A Resolution A Resolution of the City of Hoquiam declaring the City’s intent to not levy a sales and use tax nor adopt a resolution in accordance with enrolled SHB 1406, Chapter 338, Laws of 2019 and RCW Chapter 82.14. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of this resolution and his motion was seconded. Councilmember Puvogel moved to amend the resolution and strike the words RCW Chapter 82.14 from the title to prevent confusion in the future. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. The main motion, as amended, passed by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting of November 11, 2019 Councilmember Puvogel moved to cancel the regularly scheduled city council meeting of November 11th in honor of Veterans Day. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote

Excuse Absent Members Councilmember McMillan moved to excuse the absent members. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

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ADJOURN

Councilmember McMillan moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

JASMINE DICKHOFF – MAYOR

TRACY WOOD – COUNCIL SECRETARY

