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CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Those in attendance at the meeting were Mayor Winkelman and Councilmembers Carlstrom, Dick, George, Grun, Hinch, McMillan, Pellegrini, Puvogel, Reid and Ushman. Absent from the meeting were Councilmembers Anderson and Nelson. Staff in attendance were Police Chief Jeff Myers, Fire Captain Matt Miller, Fire Representative Rich Malizia, City Attorney Steve Johnson, City Administrator Brian Shay, Finance Director Corri Schmid and Council Secretary Tracy Wood.

Moment of Silence - Past Councilmember Bob Hyde

Mayor Winkelman called for a moment of silence for past Councilmember Bob Hyde who passed away on December 10, 2020.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Grun moved to approve items a through d on the Consent Agenda as presented and his motion was seconded. Those items appearing on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- The City Council Minutes of November 23, 2020;
- 2021 Service Contract between the City of Hoquiam and Greater Grays Harbor, Inc.
- An Agreement for Public Defense Services with Sound Defenders
- An Agreement for Public Defense Services with Geoff Arnold

The motion for approval of the Consent Agenda passed by voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Civil Service Commission – Approval of Fire Captain Job Description

The Civil Service Commission made a recommendation to the Council to approve the Fire Captain Job Description as presented in the packet. Councilmember Pellegrini moved to approve the report and his motion was seconded. Following a brief discussion on the application process, the motion for approval passed by voice vote.

OFFICER REPORTS



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COVID Isolation Center

Staff provided a brief oral report on the COVID Isolation Center which will be going into the old Crisis Clinic building between city hall and the fire station. The goal is to make it an isolation center for those testing positive for COVID and have no other way to isolate from family and others. The building should be ready in a few weeks. A brief discussion was held regarding other facilities that have been being used over the past several months.

Rescue Command Vehicle –
Fire Department

The Fire Department requests that Council approve the purchase of a new Ford F-250 Rescue/Command Vehicle. It will be purchased through Columbia Ford for approximately \$40,700.00. The vehicle would be ordered now and paid for when it is completed. Councilmember McMillan moved for approval of this purchase request and his motion was seconded. A brief discussion followed regarding the type of vehicle and what it would include. The purchase is for the vehicle only and lights, etc., will be installed when it is received. The motion for approval of the purchase passed by voice vote.

IAFF Collective Bargaining
Agreement

Council was asked to approve the Bargaining Agreement with IAFF and to authorize the Mayor to sign on behalf of the City. Councilmember McMillan moved to accept the agreement and to authorize the Mayor to sign. His motion was seconded. A brief discussion followed regarding Kelly Days and longevity pay. Following this discussion, the motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign passed by voice vote.

MAYORS REPORTS

Laser Show

Mayor Winkelman stated that the winners of the photo contest from the Laser Light Show on Halloween were the Smith Family. They will be receiving a \$500 award from Emerald City Events. Also, the city is continuing to work with Emerald City Events to provide more laser shows in the future. They will be having a show at the Satsop towers on December 23rd co-sponsored by Emerald City and the Port of Grays Harbor.

Thank you to Staff,
Beautification Team and
Businesses

Mayor Winkelman thanked the first responders for continuing to work through all of the challenges. He also thanked the beautification team for all of their efforts and the business



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	<p>owners and new business owners. He encouraged everyone to shop local this year. People can check the HBA page for business hours, etc. Ads have been on TV on Q-13 as well as the radio to encourage shopping in our downtown. He reminded everyone of the Hoquiam coin hunt. A Councilmember donated silver dollars that have been sprinkled around the city in shops, public locations, etc., and they are continuing to add new coins. He thanked Bryan and Sons Jewelers who have donated a gold coin that will be added sometime between now and Christmas.</p>
Grays Harbor Subaru Club – Donations for Giving Tree’s	<p>The Grays Harbor Subies car club gathered presents for the giving trees and Mayor Winkelman thanked everyone who donated gifts to the event and the Car Club for their participation. He also noted how many homes put up Christmas lights this year!</p>
Mr. T’s Batting Cage	<p>Mr. T’s batting cage is still being cleaned up by volunteers and the City is working with Hoquiam Youth Baseball on a possible lease agreement to get that operational.</p>
COUNCIL REPORTS	
Lights and Hidden Coins	<p>Councilmember McMillan stated that you can really see the difference of what our citizens have done. As soon as you hit Myrtle street, everything is lit up from homes to businesses. Also he wanted to thank Byron and Sons Jewelry for their donation of the gold coin for the coin hunt. It is worth over \$180.</p>
Makers Mark	<p>Mayor Winkelman added that the City was nominated for a national award for our light display. He was contacted by Makers Mark who stated that Hoquiam was in the top 5 selections in the US. If we had won we would have received \$100,000 in lights and decorations. We didn’t win but it was very cool to be nominated..</p>
Holidays	<p>Councilmember Puvogel spoke about the City recognized holidays and at a future meeting he will be proposing that the Day after Thanksgiving be recognized as Native American Heritage Day and that June-teenth (June 19th) also becomes a</p>



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Yard of the Month

recognized holiday in the City. He also spoke briefly regarding the Moon Island Road project.

Councilmember Pellegrini stated that 302 19th St. has been selected for their Christmas display for yard of the month in their ward.

LEGAL BUSINESS ORDINANCES

2019-2020 Supplemental
Budget 20-1

An Ordinance adopting a supplemental budget No. 20-1 and appropriating funds. Ms. Schmid read the Ordinance by title and Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of the Ordinance. His motion was seconded and following a second reading the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

2021 Salary Ordinance

An Ordinance fixing the compensation of the officers and employees of the City of Hoquiam from and after January 1, 2021; and repealing Ordinance No. 2020-02. Ms. Schmid read the Ordinance by title and Councilmember McMillan moved for the approval of the Ordinance. His motion was seconded. Following a brief discussion on the differences and an explanation of the COLA's, Ms. Schmid read the Ordinance by title a second time after which the motion for approval passed by unanimous roll call vote.

OTHER LEGAL

Services and Lease
Agreement between Airlift
Northwest and the City of
Hoquiam

Presented for Council approval was a Ground Transport Services and Lease Agreement between Airlift Northwest and the City of Hoquiam Fire Department to provide local ground transport for their company. Councilmember McMillan moved to approval of the Agreement and to authorize the Mayor to sign on behalf of the City. His motion was seconded and following a brief discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.

Nursery Seedling Growing
Contract

Presented to the Council for their approval was a contract between the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources and the City of Hoquiam for growth of Seedlings at their facility. Councilmember McMillan moved for approval of the contract and his motion was seconded. A brief discussion followed regarding the types of seedlings, etc., after which the



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	<p>motion to approve the contract passed by voice vote.</p>
Contract with Kurt Estes	<p>Mr. Shay requested Council approval to extend the contract the city currently has with Kurt Estes for forestry services for another year at the same rates. Mr. Shay stated that another Watershed sale will advertise next week. Councilmember Puvogel moved for the approval of the contract and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.</p>
OLD BUSINESS	
Yards of the Month	<p>Mayor Winkelman encouraged councilmembers to pick out their yards of the month.</p>
NEW BUSINESS	
Yard of the Month	<p>Councilmember McMillan stated that his ward has selected 2610 Queets for yard of the month.</p>
Cancel December 28th City Council Meeting	<p>Councilmember McMillan moved to cancel the December 28th regularly scheduled City Council meeting. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.</p>
Citizen Concern	<p>Councilmember Reid stated that she received an email from Kellen Schroeder regarding concerns with the impacts of the lock-down on local restaurants and bars. Schroeder asked if council would consider changing the lock down rules to help these businesses. Ms. Reid stated she understands these are rules enacted by the State, but wanted to make Council aware of the email. Mayor Winkelman stated that he has heard from some businesses and the City has been doing what we can to help.</p>
Excuse Absent Members	<p>Councilmember McMillan moved to excuse the absent members and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.</p>
ADJOURN	<p>Councilmember McMillan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.</p>



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BEN WINKELMAN – Mayor

TRACY WOOD – City Council Secretary