



CITY OF HOQUIAM

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April 12, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Those in attendance were Mayor Winkelman and Councilmembers Anderson, Carlstrom, Dick, George, Grun, McMillan, Nelson, Pellegrini, Puvogel, Reid and Ushman. Councilmember Hinchon was absent from the meeting.

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

PROCLAMATION

Arbor Day and Arbor Month

A PROCLAMATION of the City of Hoquiam declaring April 30, 2021 as Arbor Day and April 2021 as Arbor Month in the City of Hoquiam.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Grun moved to approve consent agenda item as presented and his motion was seconded. Those items appearing on the consent agenda were as follows:

- The City Council Minutes of March 22, 2021;

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

OFFICER REPORTS

Timber Sale 2021-2

The City issued a call for bids for Timber Sale 2021-2. Two bids were received as follows: Harbor Timber for \$285,005 and Sierra Pacific for \$339,590. Staff recommends that Council accept the bids and award the sale to Sierra Pacific. Councilmember Puvogel moved to accept the bids and award the bid to Sierra Pacific and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

LTAC Recommendations

The Lodging Tax Advisory Committee met on March 31st to review the 2021 applications received for funding through the city tourism fund. The Committee recommends award of \$44,500 in funds to the following:



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	<p>Hoquiam Beautification Committee – Hanging Baskets and Plants \$3,500; City of Hoquiam – Christmas Decorations \$2,500; City of Hoquiam – Cemetery landscaping \$2,500; City of Hoquiam – Olympic Stadium Preservation - \$25,000; Loggers’ Playday Committee – publicity and advertising \$3,500; Aberdeen Shakespearean Theatre – Central Playfield \$1,000; 7th St. Theatre – marketing and advertising \$3,000; Polson Museum – directional highway and street signs \$3,500;</p> <p>Councilmember McMillan moved to approve the recommendations and the motion was seconded. Following a brief discussion, the motion passed by voice vote.</p>
MAYOR REPORTS	
Weather Record Set	<p>Mayor Winkelman commented on how cold it was overnight. We broke a record with it being 30 degrees</p>
COVID	<p>Last year at this time, we were all learning how to live with COVID. It finally seems there is a light of hope. We have made a lot of progress – hoping people will continue to be optimistic and take care of themselves and others.</p>
Vaccination Clinic	<p>Harbor Drug is sponsoring a community wide vaccination clinic from 10-3:00 at the Hoquiam Elks next Monday April 19th. People can go to Harborcovidvaccine.com to sign up</p>
City Anniversary	<p>On May 21st and 22nd, the City is planning for our 131st birthday party. We hope to have a laser light show and potential activities if allowed at Olympic Stadium.</p>
Adams St. Park	<p>Work is beginning at Adams and 5th on the new park. Everyone should drive out that way and take a look at the progress.</p>
North End Siren	<p>The City is still working with the state to get an Emergency Siren on north end – we are getting closer to having that siren installed.</p>
Behavioral Health Navigator	<p>The Chief is working on a Law Enforcement and Behavioral Health navigator position with the City of Aberdeen. This is one of the topics that came up at the Retreat</p>



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Shorebird Festival

The Shorebird Festival will be done virtually this year. You can go to their website to obtain information on self-guided birding tours at the basin, best times for viewing, etc. They also have some activities for the kids on the website. It will be April 24th-30th.

Public Attendance at Council Meetings

Staff is working on the opportunity for the public to attend the Council meeting of April 26th in person. The number of attendees will be limited and you must confirm your attendance in advance.

Legislative Issues

Mayor Winkelman thanked staff for working so hard over the past few months on legislative issues.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Loggers' Playday

Councilmember McMillan recently attended the Loggers' Playday meeting – they are planning to have the Playday in the fall at this time. He also stated that Doug Jones would like to be added to the stadium group representing the LPD committee.

Beautification Committee

On Wednesday (4/14) the beautification committee will be working on the planters at the library. They also received a \$2,000 grant from Rayonier, which they will utilize to improve the “park” area between the Fire Station and Train Station.

Loggers' Playday

Councilmember Anderson stated that the Playday Court was recently selected and the committee will continue to move forward with planning for the fall.

HBA

Councilmember Carlstrom stated there will be an HBA meeting on Wednesday. They are looking at some possible events this spring and summer.

ADA Kayak Launch

Councilmember Carlstrom stated that she and City staff have been in contact with a company regarding a Kayak ADA boat launch; they did come back with a design but selected the Endresen boat launch area. She feels this spot would be too secluded for people to feel comfortable with. Mr. Shay stated they selected the Endresen site because of the pitch slope of the ramp.



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LEGAL BUSINESS

Ordinances

YMCA Alley Vacation

An Ordinance relating to the vacation of a portion of an alley, located west of the existing YMCA Building and east of the existing Crown Drug Building, extending 120 feet south of its intersection with Simpson Avenue. Ms. Schmid read the ordinance by title and Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of the Ordinance. His motion was seconded and hearing no discussion, Ms. Schmid read the ordinance by title a second time after which the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolutions

Continued Support for Basin Wide Solution to Flooding and Aquatic Species Restoration

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam continuing its support for a basin-wide solution to flooding and aquatic species restoration at a critical point in time. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the resolution and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Surplus Property – 2009 Chevrolet Impala

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 McMillan moved for adoption of the Resolution and his motion was seconded. Councilmember Puvogel asked if this vehicle was from the car pool or if it was it an impound. Chief Myers stated it was one of the detective cars. Following a brief discussion, the motion passed by voice vote

Water Quality Combined Financial Assistant Agreement

A Resolution authorizing the City of Hoquiam to accept a loan in the amount of \$260,500 and authorizing City Administrator Brian Shay to sign the Water Quality Combined financial Assistance Agreement between the State of Washington Department of Ecology and the City of Hoquiam. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption and to authorize the City Administrator to sign the agreement. His motion was seconded and following a brief discussion on the Emerson Pump Station project, the motion passed by voice vote

OTHER LEGAL

Site Access Agreement – Seismic Testing

Included in the packet was a Site Access Agreement between the City of Hoquiam and the University of Washington to conduct research identifying earthquake hazards, risks and monitoring



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seismic activity. Councilmember Puvogel moved for approval of the agreement and his motion was seconded. Council asked where this was going to be located and Mr. Shay stated by the Little Hoquiam portion of the watershed above Dekay Road. Councilmember Puvogel briefly explained the Shake Alert that the State has been working on. Alerts will go out on every communication channel, with an “amber alert” type on telephones; if a quake is detected on 4 sites the broadcast goes out immediately and will give people a few seconds notice to prepare. Following the discussion the motion passed by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

North Shore Project

Councilmember Reid asked Mr. Shay to speak regarding the North Shore levee project and the funding that is being sought through the legislature. Mr. Shay said that we are hoping to receive \$70,000,000 for Chehalis Basin with \$10,000,000 of that for NS Levee; another \$14,000,000 is also tagged for the North Shore project through the help of Steve Tharinger. Councilmember Ushman asked where the levee would be. Mr. Shay stated that the project straddles Hoquiam and Aberdeen, with about 60% in Aberdeen and 40% in Hoquiam

Hazard Pay for Grocery Store Workers

Councilmember Anderson thanked Mr. Johnson for his input on the hazard pay issue.

Stadium Project

Councilmember Dick asked what portion of the Stadium will be worked on during the first phase of the restoration. Mr. Shay stated that we would concentrate on the Cherry Street section of Grandstands and the siding along Cherry Street.

NEW BUSINESS

Holidays

Councilmember Puvogel moved to have staff draft an ordinance to change the City recognized holidays to add June 19th as Juneteenth; and to change the day after Thanksgiving to Native American Heritage Day (the Friday after the 4th Thursday in November). His motion was seconded. Councilmember Puvogel stated that he would speak more to this topic when the ordinance comes before the council and that he will also work with the Finance Director regarding the costs of added holidays. The motion passed by voice vote, with Councilmembers Dick, Grun and McMillan voting no.



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LTAC Funds

Councilmember Carlstrom made a motion to award LTAC grant funds again in the fall. Her motion was seconded. Following a brief discussion on the application process, her motion passed by voice vote.

Excuse Absent Member

Councilmember McMillan moved to excuse the absent member and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

ADJOURN

Councilmember McMillan moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

BEN WINKELMAN – Mayor

TRACY WOOD – City Council Secretary