

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, June 9, 2014

Lake Stevens School District Educational Service Center (Admin. Bldg.)
12309 22nd Street N.E., Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Vern Little

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Kim Daughtry, Suzanne Quigley, Todd Welch, Sam Low, Marcus Tageant, Kathy Holder, John Spencer

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: City Administrator Jan Berg, Planning Director Becky Ableman, Finance Director Barb Stevens, Public Works Director Mick Monken, Interim Police Chief Dan Lorentzen, Human Resources Director Steve Edin, City Attorney Cheryl Beyer, Senior Planner Russ Wright

OTHERS: None

Guest Business.

Bruce Morton, 11222 Vernon Road addressed the Council regarding the branding contract. He encouraged the Council to turn this down stating that there are easier, less expensive ways to accomplish the same task. He encouraged the Council to utilize high school students for this effort.

Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Councilmember Welch moved, Councilmember Tageant seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda (A. Approve 2014 Vouchers [Payroll Direct Deposits 5/30/2014 for \$118,812.82, Payroll Checks 36921-36922 for \$4,440.53, Tax Deposit(s) 6/2/2014 for \$46,434.70, Electronic Funds Transfers ACH for \$145,988.66, Claims 36923-36986 for \$1,406,689.57, Total Vouchers Approved: \$1,722,366.28], B. Approve Council Regular Meeting Minutes for May 27, 2014) Motion passed unanimously (7-0-0).

Public Hearing.

Public Hearing in Consideration of 2014 Comprehensive Plan Docket Ratification – Resolution 2014-3. The public hearing was opened at 7:04. Senior Planner Russ Wright presented the Staff Report and reviewed the proposals as contained in Council's packet on pages 21-52. Mayor Little announced the hearing would be continued to the next meeting on June 23.

Dave Huber, 7304 – 10th Street SE, B201, Lake Stevens, WA, offered to answer any questions the Council might have on this docket proposal. He believes that this is a landlocked parcel, and the only access is through the Huber office complex.

MOTION: Councilmember Welch moved, Councilmember Tageant seconded, to close the public comment portion of the public hearing at 7:12 p.m. Motion passed unanimously (7-0-0-0).

Council Vice President Quigley asked for clarification about the process noting she had concerns about the Soper Hill development redesignation to Commercial. Senior Planner Wright explained that acceptance of the docket tonight just meant they were agreeing to further analysis of the proposals. Councilmember Spencer asked if there is a project proposed for that property. Senior Planner Wright replied there is not.

MOTION: Councilmember Spencer moved, Councilmember Tageant seconded, to continue the public hearing to June 23, 2014. Motion passed unanimously (7-0-0-0).

Action Items.

Professional Services Agreement with Roger Brooks, International for Branding

Planning Director Becky Ableman introduced the proposal from Roger Brooks, International. She discussed other proposals the City received from North Star and PRR and commented that the Mayor and staff were recommending Roger Brooks should the Council decide to move forward with the branding effort. This would allow the City to have a more sophisticated brand to go out to the retailers and real estate professionals. She also discussed a memo she provided regarding Natalie Quick's contract. Councilmember Low asked why this needed to be done now. Director Ableman explained it has been on the Council's budget for several years and was recommended by both the Leland report and Burke and Associates. Councilmember Spencer expressed reluctance to move forward with branding until Council has determined how this step fits in the process. Councilmember Tageant expressed concern about Natalie Quick's report. Council Vice President Quigley and Councilmember Welch discussed the significance of Natalie Quick's work and the brochure they had developed. Council Vice President Quigley commented that the branding effort is the next step in this process. After significant discussion about possible courses of action, there was consensus to table this item and bring it back for a work session at a future date.

Renewal of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for "Urban County" Regualification with U.S. HUD

Planning Director Becky Ableman reviewed and explained the benefit of this item.

MOTION: Councilmember Spencer moved, Council President Daughtry seconded, to approve authorize the Mayor to enter into a renewal of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for "Urban County" Regualification with U.S. HUD. Motion passed unanimously (7-0-0-0).

Council Persons' Business. Councilmembers reported on the following meetings: Tageant – Sewer District; Holder – Sewer District; Low – Sean O'Connell Memorial in Lake Stevens and Marysville, Molly Conley memorial; Daughtry – EASC Annual

Meeting, SCT, SCT Steering Committee, PSRC General Assembly, Trooper O'Connell Memorial,

Mayor's Business. Mayor Little discussed his comments at the PSRC General Assembly on concerns around the Transportation 2040 package. He also attended the EASC meeting and the Sewer District meeting.

Staff Reports. City Administrator Jan Berg invited everyone to the Wastewater Treatment Plant tour on July 14 from 1-3 p.m. Focus Groups for the library will be held this Tuesday and next Thursday. She attended an ad hoc committee with the City's insurance carrier last week to talk about the public defender caseload issue. - Finance Director Barb Stevens reminded the Council about the AWC Conference next week. Anyone planning on going should let her know. - Public Works Director Mick Monken stated that staff is working with the contractor Granite Construction who is moving forward to try to meet the pavement overlay project deadline. The project should be completed by the end of June if everything goes well. He gave an update on weed control efforts. - Interim Police Chief Dan Lorentzen reported that the police partnered with the fire district on the Health and Safety Fair this Saturday from 10 to 2. - Human Resource Director Steve Edin stated that the new Seasonal Parks Worker will be starting on Thursday. There is also a new Senior Planner who starts on June 16. The Deputy City Clerk started last Monday. Also, Jennifer Thomas started May 16 as the new Permit Specialist.

Adjourn.

MOTION: Councilmember Low moved, Councilmember Holder seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Motion passed unanimously (7-0-0-0)



Vern Little, Mayor



Finance Dir. /City Clerk, Barb Stevens