

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

Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

By Remote Participation via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Brett Gailey

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Brett Gailey, Councilmembers Kim Daughtry, Gary Petershagen, Mary Dickinson, Anji Jorstad, and Steve Ewing

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Shawn Frederick (arrived at 6:30 p.m.) and Marcus Tageant (Arrived at 6:26 p.m.)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: City Administrator Gene Brazel, Finance Director Barb Stevens, Community Development Director Russ Wright, Public Works Director Eric Durpos, Police Chief Jeff Beazizo, Human Resources Director Anya Warrington, City Clerk Kelly Chelin and City Attorney Greg Rubstello,

Call to Order:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Gailey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

All Councilmembers were present except Councilmember Frederick and Councilmember Tageant.

MOTION. Councilmember Daughtry made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Petershagen, to excuse Councilmember Frederick and Councilmember Tageant. The motion passed 5-0-0-2.

Approval of Agenda:

Councilmember Jorstad stated that she had some questions on the vouchers. She also asked to add an additional discussion item to discuss the recent Herald articles on the permit issue at North Cove and the L & I appeal.

City Clerk Chelin asked to move the Police Employment Contract to action items in order to make a few edits.

MOTION. Councilmember Dickinson made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jorstad, to approve the agenda with the changes noted. The motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments:

There were no public comments.

Council Business:

Councilmember Jorstad relayed that August 31 is National Overdose Awareness Night.

Councilmember Ewing thanked Councilmember Jorstad for mentioning that. He also stated that he participated in a suicide awareness walk that had a great turnout. He lastly thanked the Youth Advisory Council.

Councilmember Dickinson stated that she attended Chief Dyer's retirement party and she was sad to see him go.

Councilmember Petershagen also participated in the suicide awareness walk and stated he was happy to be a sponsor.

Councilmember Daughtry stated that the last Coffee Klatch at the War Memorial was very successful. He stated that the Veterans Commission also adopted a portion of highway along 204 and did some clean up. He attended the last SCCIT meeting and there is money slated for the trestle. He also said he was sad to see Chief Dyer leave the City.

Mayor Business:

Mayor Gailey also participated in the suicide awareness walk. He stated that this Thursday he will participate in a torch run with the Police Department. Also, the first Community Advisory Council Meeting was last night, and it was a great meeting. He introduced New Police Chief Jeff Beazizo and read a Proclamation into the record for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month -- September 2021

Note: Councilmember Tageant arrived at 6:26 p.m.

Note: Councilmember Frederick arrived at 6:30 p.m.

City Department Report:

Interim Chief Beazizo introduced New Police Officer Dreher.

Consent Agenda:

Councilmember Jorstad asked a few questions on the vouchers.

MOTION: Councilmember Daughtry made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Frederick, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

The consent agenda included the following:

Vouchers

City Council Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2021

City Council Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2021

City Council Meeting Minutes of July 30, 2021

WSDOT Turnback Agreement for SR9 and South Lake Stevens Road Intersection

WSDOT Temporary Easement and Warranty Deed SR 9 and South Lake Stevens Road

Extension to Interlocal Agreement for the 2021 Snohomish Regional Drug Task Force

Action Items:

Employment Contract for Police Chief Jeff Beazizo

City Clerk Chelin reviewed a few edits to the Employment Contract.

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Daughtry, to approve the Employment Contract for Police Chief Beazizo with the changes. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Discussion Items:

Director Warrington gave an update on the L & I Appeal as requested. A decision will be announced in October.

City Administrator Brazel gave an update on the bridge at North Cove Park. The City is moving forward and working with the agencies and contractors.

Director Durpos reported on Festival Street. This project has been a couple of weeks behind but is moving forward.

Mayor Gailey reminded Council that the Council retreat is scheduled for Friday.

Councilmember Frederick urged everyone to get vaccinated due to the Covid numbers.

Adjournment:

MOTION. Councilmember Daughtry made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Tageant, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 7-0-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



Brett Gailey, Mayor

Kelly M. Cheln, City Clerk