

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

October 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting - By Remote Participation via Zoom & in Person at The Mill Building

CALL TO ORDER:	6:00 p.m. Council President Gary Petershagen
ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:	Council President Gary Petershagen, Kim Daughtry, Ryan Donoghue, Steve Ewing and Anji Jorstad.
ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:	Councilmembers Marcus Tageant and Kymm Shipman

Call to Order

Council President Petershagen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Petershagen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

All Councilmembers were present except Councilmember Tageant and Shipman.

MOTION. Councilmember Ewing made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jorstad, to excuse Councilmember Tageant and Shipman. The motion passed 5-0-0-2.

Approval of Agenda

City Clerk Chelin reviewed four changes to the agenda:

- On the September 13, 2024 retreat minutes there was a date error that has been corrected.
- On the R&R Construction contract item on the consent agenda, this is an award of the project and funding, not a contract.
- The Council Meeting Proceedings discussion item will be rescheduled to a later date.
- An additional topic has been added to the Executive Session to discuss Property Acquisition.

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Donoghue, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed 5-0-0-2.

Guest Business

Introduce Senior Civil Engineer Ben Romanaggi

Citizen Comments

Mary Templeton, Lake Stevens School District Superintendent. Mary stated that she was at the meeting to listen and support the City.

Council Business

City Department Report

Public Works Department Report

Consent Agenda

MOTION. Councilmember Ewing made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Donoghue, to approve the consent agenda as amended earlier. The motion passed 5-0-0-2.

The consent agenda items were as follows:

- 2024 Vouchers
- City Council Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2024
- City Council Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2024
- City Council Meeting Minutes of September 24, 2024
- Resolution 2024-10 Establishing a Parks Capital Equipment Fund 525
- Department of Commerce Grant Agreement - Local Community Projects
- Project with R & R Construction, inc. to move the playground equipment at Frontier Heights Park

Action Items

Policy Update for the Mill

Parks Coordinator Meis explained that the Parks and Recreation Department is proposing to update the policy for The Mill. Separately, fee revisions are proposed in the later discussion topic of Park Fees. She reviewed the changes with the Council.

MOTION. Councilmember Donoghue made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ewing, to approve the updated policy for rentals at the Mill and sub spaces. The motion passed 5-0-0-2.

Discussion Items

2025 Proposed Budget

Director Stevens explained that this is a review of the previously presented recommendations and discussion items from the Council retreat as well as the proposed capital budget. This is one of the last work sessions scheduled prior to starting Public Hearings on October 22. Council and staff engaged in a discussion.

Fee Updates

Director Wright and Parks Coordinator Meis reviewed the proposed fee updates affecting different programs and services. These proposed increases in revenues will help offset the cost-of-service delivery and to fund capital expenditures. Council and staff engaged in a discussion.

MOTION. At 8:00 p.m., Councilmember Ewing made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jorstad, to extend the meeting for 30 minutes in order to hold the Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0-0-2.

Note: Council took a 5-minute break to clear the room.

Executive Session

The meeting recessed to Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. for 30 minutes to discuss Collective Bargaining and Property Acquisition. There will be no action, and the session will conclude at 8:35 p.m.

The meeting reconvened to regular session at 8:35 p.m.

Adjournment

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Donoghue, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0-0-2.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.



Brett Gailey, Mayor



Kelly M. Chelin, City Clerk

