



CITY OF HOQUIAM

City Council Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

In attendance at the meeting were Mayor Winkelman and Councilmembers Anderson, Brand, Brooks, Carlstrom, Dick, George, Hinchey, Pellegrini, Puvogel and Reid. Absent was Councilmember Nelson.

Staff in attendance were Interim Police Chief Joe Strong, Fire Chief Matt Miller, City Attorney Steve Johnson, City Administrator Brian Shay, Finance Director Corri Schmid and Council Secretary Tracy Wood.

COMMUNICATIONS

Swearing In Police Officer Israel Hernandez

Chief Strong introduced Izzy Hernandez who just recently graduated from the police academy at the end of June. He was the President of his academy class and will be a great asset to the Department and City of Hoquiam. Mayor Winkelman issued the oath of office to Officer Hernandez.

Community Foundation Olympic Stadium Account

Paul McMillan, 119 M. St. in Hoquiam, stated that the account at Grays Harbor Community foundation is set up for the Stadium. You can go on line to make a donation at www.gh-cf.org. If you select Ways to Give you can go to On-line Donation and scroll down to Restoration of Olympic Stadium.

Yard of the Month

Mr. McMillan reminded the Councilmembers not to forget to select their Yards of the month.

AWC Budget Workshop

Mr. McMillan stated that the AWC budget meeting is in Leavenworth in August. It is a great opportunity to learn more as a councilmember.

Franko's Farm Stand

Mr. McMillan reminded staff that the Tully's sign is still at the farm stand.

CONSENT AGENDA

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



- The City Council Minutes of June 27, 2022;
- The Regulatory Committee report recommending approval and payment of claim check numbers 98710 through 98903 in the amount of \$953,870.13; claim auto pays and EFT numbers 541 through 548 in the amount of \$27,122.57; payroll check numbers 30201 through 30236 in the amount of \$199,908.97; Payroll ACH and EFT's in the amount of \$463,692.13 and \$234,172.47 respectively; and that payroll and benefits for the month of July, 2022, be approved and issued at the proper time.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. T's

Councilmember Hinchin stated that Mr. T's is moving along. They plan to have a soft opening on August 7th at 2:00. The batting will be free as well as free hotdogs, etc. There will be a presentation at 2:00 recognizing Ted Brunner for all he has done for this project. The Grand Opening will be August 13, 2022.

MAYOR REPORTS

National Night Out Block Parties

National Night Out is August 2, 2022. If anyone is interested in hosting a block party you can call or email Tracy and she will get you signed up.

Detour on Lincoln

The detour on Lincoln is scheduled to be finished and reopened in mid-August. Unfortunately some of the businesses are being affected. Speed Bowls will be closing until the closure is over.

Beautification Team and Other Project Update

Mayor Winkelman thanked the beautification committee for their hard work. He has had several phone calls regarding how nice the city looks. A lot of work is being done on 8th Street. The City will be publishing information on the website about the status of various projects.

COUNCIL REPORTS



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RFA

Councilmember Puvogel stated the RFA planning committee met on July 12th. He provided an update of what is now being worked on. They have elected Aberdeen Councilmember Ross as Chair and Councilmember Puvogel as Vice Chair. Mr. Shay stated the goal is to have this on the ballot in February.

Emergency Preparedness Expo

Mayor Winkelman thanked everyone who participated in the emergency preparedness expo this weekend. It was well attended and had a lot of information for citizens.

LEGAL BUSINESS ORDINANCES

Relating to Violation of Protective Orders

An Ordinance relating to violation of protective orders; amending Section 5A.65.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Ms. Schmid read the ordinance by title and Councilmember Puvogel moved to approve the ordinance. The motion was seconded. Mr. Johnson explained that this will bring our code in line with the new state RCW's. Ms. Schmid read the ordinance by title a second time after which the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Appointment of Police Chief

An Ordinance relating to the appointment of the police chief; amending Section 1.12.274 of the Hoquiam Municipal code. Ms. Schmid read the ordinance by title after which Councilmember Puvogel moved to approve the Ordinance and his motion was seconded. Mayor Winkelman explained that this change will make the Chief position the same as the Administrative staff. Ms. Schmid read the ordinance by title a second time after which the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTIONS

Surplus Property –
Municipal Court and Public Works

A Resolution declaring certain personal property owned by the City to be surplus items pursuant to Hoquiam Municipal Code Sections 1.64.005, 1.64.010 and 1.64.020. The items listed for surplus are various computers equipment from the Court and a weed eater from Public Works. Councilmember Puvogel moved to approve the resolution and the motion was seconded. A brief discussion on how surplus is disposed of followed after which the motion for approval passed by voice vote.



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Surplus Property – Fire Department

A Resolution declaring certain personal property owned by the City to be surplus items pursuant to Hoquiam Municipal Code Sections 1.64.005, 1.64.010 and 1.64.020. The item listed for surplus is a Laerdal Portable Suction Unit which is no longer operable. Councilmember Puvogel moved for approval of the resolution and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Aberdeen-Hoquiam Flood Protection Project

A Resolution supporting efforts of the cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam in seeking funding for the Aberdeen-Hoquiam Flood Protection project (North Shore Levee and North Shore Levee West Segment). Councilmember Puvogel moved to approve the resolution and his motion was seconded. Mr. Shay explained that this Resolution is necessary to be able to seek funding through the various sources. The motion passed by voice vote

OTHER LEGAL

Agreement to Share In Road Building Costs

An Agreement between the City of Hoquiam and Chehalis Valley Timber, Inc. to share in the costs of building an access road on college Hill. Mr. Shay explained that the City has been working with Mr. Estes on timber sales on city property. CVT had a permit to access our sale. They have approached the city about splitting the costs to build an actual road at a cost of approximately \$12,500 to the city. Councilmember Puvogel moved to authorize signature of this agreement. His motion was seconded. A brief discussion was held concerning the sale after which the motion to authorize the agreement passed by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Interlocal Agreement for North Shore Levee Funding

Staff requested that the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Aberdeen and City of Hoquiam relating to joint funding for design and construction of the North Shore Levee Project be removed from the agenda. Councilmember Puvogel made a motion remove the Interlocal Agreement from the agenda and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.



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Council President

With the resignation of Councilmember McMillan, Council will need to elect a new Council President. Councilmember Pellegrini nominated Councilmember Puvogel. There were no other nominations and the council approved the appointment by voice vote. Councilmember Puvogel thanked the Council for this appointment and also thanked past President McMillan for all that he did in his service to the council and citizens.

Employee Appreciation
Barbeque

Councilmember Anderson stated that the Employee Appreciation BBQ will be September 19th at noon. She will provide information to the Council on who has paid their \$25 towards the event

Status of Street Lighting and
Riverside Avenue; Dory and
Beacon Lighting

Staff was asked to look at the replacement of several street lights that were damaged due to accidents along Simpson and Lincoln as well as to see what needs to be done to repair the lighting on the Dory and Beacon. Council asked Mr. Shay if there were any updates from DOT on the corner of Sumner and Riverside by the Farmers Market. Mr. Shay provided a brief summary of discussions with DOT and will follow up with them to determine what their recommendation is to improve the safety of the corner in front of the market.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Vacancy

Councilmember Puvogel moved to have staff advertise for the Council Vacancy for 30 days for consideration of candidates at the first meeting in September. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Change Orders – JA Morris
– Olympic Stadium Project

Included in the packet for Council consideration was a change order from JA Morris for the following: repair more structural rot, uncovered as they were removing the shingles for \$5,152.00; additional framing for \$4,191.75; remove and replace existing soffits \$104,569.50; shoring, framing, and door installation \$15,628.50; new paint and removal and reinstallation of garage door \$40,175.25; and new lumber, hardware and material \$38,398.50. Mr. Shay stated that all changes proposed today and those previously approved by the council total \$867,000 and the architect believes this should be



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	<p>all of the work that should be done. He stated that funding could come from the stimulus fund or pull from the general fund. Mr. Gozart briefly explained some of the problems they have discovered. Councilmember Puvogel moved to approve the change orders for JA Morris and his motion was seconded. Councilmember Dick stated he is very impressed with what is being done. The motion to approve the change orders passed by voice vote.</p>
<p>Contract Amendment Olympic Stadium Project – Harbor Architects</p>	<p>Included in the packet was a Contract Amendment for Harbor Architects for a scope of services increase in the amount of \$12,000 due to the increased scope of work from approved change orders for the project. Councilmember Puvogel moved to approve the contract amendment for Harbor Architects and his motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.</p>
<p>Set Public Hearing Date – Vacation of a Portion of Franklin Ave.</p>	<p>Set public hearing for August 25th to vacate a portion of Franklin Ave. Councilmember Puvogel moved to set hearing for August 22nd for the vacation of a portion of Franklin Ave. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.</p>
<p>Set Public Hearing Date – Vacation of a Portion of Franklin Ave. Ground Breaking for Fry Creek</p>	<p>Set public hearing for August 25th to vacate a portion of Franklin Ave. Councilmember Puvogel moved to set hearing for August 22nd for the vacation of a portion of Franklin Ave. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.</p>
<p>Broadway Repairs</p>	<p>Councilmember Pellegrini stated that there are rumors that there are planned extended closures of Broadway Avenue while work is being done. Mr. Shay stated that the plans are to have intermittent closures of one lane and if total closures are needed, they would be done overnight. He also reviewed the permits that are required. Councilmember Pellegrini stated that another concern is the dip which will need some type of repair before winter. It was suggested that the speed limit on Broadway be reviewed by the Public Safety Committee as it is currently set at 35 mph.</p>
<p>Ground Breaking for Fry Creek</p>	<p>Staff stated that there were several people in attendance at the ground breaking ceremony for Fry Creek on July 7, 2022. The Office of Chehalis Basin Board has awarded an additional \$2.5</p>



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PUBLIC COMMENT

Speeding on Simpson

million to the City of Aberdeen so there will be no city funds being used. Quigg Bros. was awarded the bid.

Connie Parsons, 703 Simpson, asked if something could be done about the speeders on Simpson during overnight hours. They start racing at Central School and back off right before the station. Chief Strong stated that it is staffing If Patrol is on other calls there is no one to sit on Simpson to watch for this. Ms. Parsons also requested that the bushes out at Moon Island road by Willis Enterprises be trimmed back.

Intersections on Buchanan

Tammy Naranjo, 148 Chenault Ave., asked if there were any updates on her request that she had made at an earlier Council meeting to add stop signs/controlled intersections along Buchanan (Karr, Chenault, Eklund). It was referred to the Public Safety Committee. Councilmember Puvogel stated that the Committee did review this and that the accident history was very low. She stated she does not understand why there would not be signs at these intersections when they are so close to the school. Following further discussion on this request, Councilmember Puvogel announced that there would be a Public Safety meeting on August 22, 2022 at the police station at 5:00.

Storm and Sewer Rates

Paul McMillan, 119 M. Street, spoke to the council regarding the upcoming increases in the storm rates and water/sewer rates. The storm rate is going up 4.5% and water/sewer rate is going up 9.5%. He suggested that Council look at limiting these increases to half that amount as it is very difficult for people to cope with the increases at this time.

Excuse Absent Member

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

ADJOURN

Councilmember Pellegrini moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. His motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.



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BEN WINKELMAN – Mayor

TRACY WOOD – City Council Secretary