

March 6, 2007

Steilacoom Town Council Minutes

CALL TO ORDER:

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Mayor Lucas called the regular meeting of the Steilacoom Town Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall.

ROLL CALL:

In attendance were Mayor Lucas, Council Members Aboubakr, Davidson, Judson, Marcantonio and Smith. Staff members in attendance were, Town Administrator Loveless, Attorney Hoffman, Public Safety Director Drozynski, Public Works Director Lincoln and Administrative Assistant Bollman.

Mayor Lucas led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS:

NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Yes: All

Councilman Smith moved and Councilman Davidson seconded to approve the following items on the consent calendar:

1. Minutes of February 20, 2007
2. Payroll Checks #41334 - #41353 in the amount of \$132,629.82
3. Claims Checks # 60147 in the amount of \$65.50 and Claims Checks #60148 - #60221 in the amount of \$134,309.80

AUDIENCE INPUT:

Non-Agenda Items

Mayor Lucas invited comments from the audience. There were none

PRESENTATIONS:

NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Hong Alternative Street Design

Mayor Lucas opened the public hearing and asked for a continuance until March 20, 2007.

Yes: All

Councilwoman Marcantonio moved and Councilman Davidson seconded to continue the Hong Alternative Street Design until March 20, 2007

ACTION ITEMS:

NONE

NEW ITEMS:

Electric Comprehensive Plan Contract with ZE Power Engineering (AB 2037)

Public Works Director Lincoln delivered the staff report and responded to questions from the Council.

Councilwoman Marcantonio moved and Councilman Davidson seconded to authorize the Mayor to enter into an engineering contract with ZE Power Engineering, Inc., of Richmond, BC., in an amount not to exceed \$45,000 for the completion of a 6-Year Comprehensive Plan Update for the Electric Utility.

REPORTS:

Yes: All

Mayor

Mayor Lucas reported the following:

- March 1st Mayor Lucas attended a meeting with Cities and Towns in which he was elected to the Board of Health.
- Wi-Fi – Mayor Lucas recently attended a conference in Dallas Texas.
- CenturyTel has asked for a list of 20 Town residents to try out the new service prior to the “main” launch.
- Best Buy will be holding a series of classes called Wi-Fi 101 to help with the Wi-Fi project.
- The Bair Drug store is planning to replace the siding on the restaurant.
- Sister City conference in China, in which the Mayor may attend. The feature speaker will be Mr. Bill Gates.
- Jeff Lincoln’s last council meeting was tonight. Mayor Lucas complimented Mr. Lincoln for his professionalism and knowledge that he brought to the Town.

Administrator

Town Administrator Loveless reported the following:

- Talked about changes to ER Rogers structure. The intent is to restore the structure back to it’s original state.
- A final report from RCL will be complete soon.
- Town staff are working on the logistics of keeping the outside restroom open for the public.
- The Town is working on the possibility of purchasing University Place’s interest in the joint street sweeper.
- A number of Public Works Director applications have gone out, however, none have been returned at this time. It appears that it will be a challenge to find the right candidates.

Attorney

Attorney Hoffman reported the following:

- No new litigation
- Mr. Hoffman attended to Preservation and Review Board meeting regarding ER Roger structure. He reported that the project is being thoroughly examined

Public Safety

Public Safety Director Drozynski reported the following

- Last Friday, the 76 station was closed due to many gallons of gas being spilled. The Department of Ecology was involved.
- Through a school safety grant the Town is acquiring several road crossing signs.

lice academy starting March 14th.

- Tom Yabe, who is attending the fire academy now, received the Bull Dog award for his enthusiasm and initiative that he has demonstrated.

Public Works

Public Works Director Lincoln reported the following:

- Mr. Lincoln passed out examples of several hot connections within our electrical system. The report is severity coded. Every vault in Town has now been inspected.
- The 30 day comment period ends March 9th regarding Rainier Street improvements. NEPA certification will be issued and advertising for the job anticipated to start mid-March.
- Drawings for the Sidewalk projects along Steilacoom Blvd., Rigney Rd., View Rd. and Gove Street are now 60-90% complete.
- A planned outage to replace a transformer on 1st and Gove was successful.
- Wireless was powered up today but is still not active. 28 of 29 extenders in Town are now plugged in. CenturyTel reported that the signal may be stronger than once thought.
- The Town ordered the new electric crew vehicle this week.

Council

Councilman Smith reported the following:

- Extra clean-up needed on 3rd and Champion Street with Amaya Electric.
- Asked if Spring clean-up was cancelled? (No, but more volunteers are needed, call Terry Huber).
- Excellent story of an electric lineman's job in the publication of Northwest Public Power Administration this month.

Councilman Judson had no comments.

Councilman Davidson wished Happy Birthday to Patty Ann, a frequent Council participant.

Councilman Marcantonio reported the following:

- Asked Chief Drozynski about the Labor and Industry meeting regarding Public Safety. He reported that it was recommended that a copy of the fit testing be added to the respiratory plan.

- Two new employees will be attending the po-

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Councilman Aboubakr reported the following:

- Asked what the status was regarding the new Sunnyside Beach pay box? (Mr. Loveless thought before the summer rush).
- Noticed mud slides along Steilacoom Blvd. Wondered about a retaining wall to prevent further slides.
- Suggested that the moss build-up along the curb in the Sunnyside beach parking lot needs to be removed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

The March 6, 2007 regular meeting of the Steilacoom Town Council adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

STUDY SESSION:

A study session to discuss Saltar's Point school zone safety – sidewalk project update and 2007 overlay program project recommendation (Gove Street) was convened at 8:10 p.m. The study session adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Town Administrator

Mayor