

September 18, 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, Judson, Davidson, Marcantonio and Smith. Staff members in attendance were, Town Administrator Loveless, Attorney Hoffman, Public Safety Director Drozynski, Public Works Director Burlingame, and Administrative Assistant Bollman.

Mayor Lucas led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS:

NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilman Smith moved and **Councilwoman Marcantonio** seconded to approve the following items on the consent calendar:

Yes: All

1. **Minutes of September 4, 2007**
2. **Payroll Checks #41574 - #41594 in the amount of \$165,519.32 and voided Check #941557 in the amount of \$798.82**
3. **Claims Checks #61146 - #61228 in the amount of \$633,886.25 and Manual Check #61145 in the amount of \$174,340.62. Claims Checks #61231 - #61293 in the amount of \$114,505.77 and Manual Checks #61229 - #61230 in the amount of \$160.00**
4. **Custodial Service Contract (AB 2097)**
5. **Alliance One Collection Services Agreement (AB 2098)**
6. **Historic Preservation Officer – Contract for Services (AB 2099)**

PRESENTATIONS:

NONE

AUDIENCE INPUT:
Non-Agenda Items

Emil Christian, 515 Wallace Street, suggested that stop signs at the intersection of Rainier and Union be installed.

Pat Randall, 816 First Street, asked that the Town Council consider putting moneys aside to purchase, with the idea of protecting and preserving, 18 acres of wet lands that has the possibility of being sold by the Steilacoom Historical School District.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

NONE

ACTION ITEMS:
Railroad Whistle Alternatives (AB 2095)

Town Administrator Loveless delivered the staff report and responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Lucas invited comments from the audience.

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**ACTION ITEMS: Continued
Railroad Whistle Alternatives
(AB 2095)**

Speaking to the issue were the following people:
Bill Kitchens, 2312 Lafayette Street, Steilacoom

Emil Christian, 515 Wallace Street, Steilacoom

Gary Woempner, 2315 Sunnyside Heights, Steilacoom

Rainier Faust, 94 Jayne Court, Steilacoom

Karen Rich, 93 Jayne Court, Steilacoom

Brad Randall, 816 First Street, Steilacoom

Susan Wiess, 2202 Lafayette Street, Steilacoom

Lowell Hansen, 2403 Steilacoom Blvd, Steilacoom

Jeanette Pilgrim, 2410 Western Road, Steilacoom

Harold Hansen, 64 Hewitt, Steilacoom

Joe Aboubakr, 2314 Lafayette Street, Steilacoom

Manoah Butterfield, 1403 Nisqually Street, Steilacoom

Michael Litt, 1602 Washington, Steilacoom

Gill Gallegos, 88 Tatoosh, Steilacoom

Councilwoman Aboubakr moved and **Councilman Davidson** seconded to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with RCL to install a wayside horn at the Union Avenue railroad crossing, install additional signage at both the Union Avenue and Sunnyside crossings and pursue a "quiet zone" within Steilacoom.

Council discussed.

Councilman Smith moved and **Councilwoman Aboubakr** seconded to amend the motion to include that Town of Steilacoom not to exceed \$130,000.00.

Council discussed proposed amendment and voted.

**Yes: Council members Smith,
Aboubakr, Marcantonio and
Davidson**

No: Councilman Judson

Council discussed the motion as amended.

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Yes: Council members Smith, Aboubakr, Marcantonio and Davidson

No: Councilman Judson

Council voted on the motion as amended which reads as follows: Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with RCL to install a wayside horn at the Union Avenue railroad crossing, install additional signage at both the Union Avenue and Sunnyside crossings and pursue a "quiet zone" within Steilacoom as long as funding does not exceed \$130,000.00 of Town funds.

NEW ITEMS:

**Century Tel WI FI Proposal (AB 2096)
Stop/Yield Intersection (AB 2081)(Resolution # 1073)**

Mayor Lucas introduced Century Tel WI FI Proposal (AB 2096) and Stop/Yield Intersections (AB 2081).

REPORTS:

Mayor

Council

Mayor Lucas reported the following:

- The Puyallup Tribal Council & the Town will be scheduling a meeting to discuss future fishing rules and regulations.
- Starling Street will go back to one way after the construction.

Administrator

Town Administrator Loveless reported the following:

- Mr. Loveless and Councilman Davidson will be staffing the Steam Team booth at the Puyallup Fair on Thursday.

Attorney

Attorney Hoffman reported no new litigation.

Public Safety

Chief Drozynski reported the following:

- Volunteer firefighter Evan Townsend and others will be greeting his father tonight after serving a long tour of duty in Iraq.
- This last week an arrest occurred involving a person driving with a suspended license and driving with an unlicensed loaded gun in the car.
- The Cascade Bloodmobile will be stationed at Public Safety on Saturday November 10th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.
- This years total for Augusts MDA drive was \$4,390.00.

Public Works

Public Works Director Burlingame reported the following:

- Rainier Street update - curbs have now been installed. Sidewalk installation should occur next week. Asphalt two weeks out.
- Steilacoom Blvd. & Rigney Road project – official bidding process will start October 10th.
- All final grading has occurred on the parking lot off Lafayette St. Curbs will be installed next week with paving scheduled the following week.

Councilwoman Aboubakr reported the following:

- Asked if there was going to be a discussion regarding design and height possibilities of the fence being installed along Steilacoom Blvd? Answer: The plan at this stage is to install a black chain link fence 6 feet in height.
- People who walk along the train tracks: is it a misdemeanor? Can we start fining people \$250.00 who walk the tracks? Answer: Train tracks are private property. Every year Burlington Northern sends the Town a letter asking for help in monitoring this issue. More information will be given in a Friday update.

Councilwoman Marcantonio reported the following:

- Thanked Pat Randall for bringing up the possibility of the school property being sold and getting more people involved.

Councilman Davidson reported the following:

- Asked if someone is going to clean-up the trash along Chambers Bay? Answer: Yes

Councilman Judson had no comment.

Councilman Smith reported the following:

- Voiced frustration with bike riders running stop signs throughout Town. He feels that they should be ticketed.
- Suggested that money be set aside and the school be notified that the Town has matching funds and that we are interested in helping to purchase the land. Administrator Loveless indicated that this matter should be discussed in executive session and one has been scheduled for October 2nd.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

The September 18,2007 regular meeting of the Steilacoom Town Council adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

STUDY SESSION:

NONE

Town Administrator

Mayor