

May 6, 2008

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.

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

Mayor Lucas led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS:

NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. Minutes of April 15, 2008
2. Payroll Checks # 41874 - # 41897 in the amount of \$135,445.75 and Payroll Checks # 41898 - # 41917 in the amount of \$155,105.51
3. Claims Checks # 62442 - # 62539 in the amount of \$305,016.87 and Manual Checks # 62439 - 62441 in the amount of \$503.62
4. Training resource and Information Network (TRAIN) Interlocal Agreement (AB 2150)
5. Renewal of Contract with Public Safety Testing.com (AB 2151)
6. Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County for Street Striping Services (AB 2152)
7. Contract with the Chamber of Commerce for Tourism Promotion (AB 2153)

Yes: All

PRESENTATIONS:

Pierce County Ferry Electronic Sign Replacement from Steven Capputo of Horn Blower Marine Services.

AUDIENCE INPUT:
Non-Agenda Items

Vince Beyette, 622 Galloway Street. Concerned with the future of fire protection in Steilacoom and if the volunteers are going to be a part of the Town's future plans.

John Bethencourt, 610 3rd Street. Complimented Ken Cox and the construction workers currently working on Gove Street for their performance. He expressed concern regarding the mail boxes being moved to the non-sidewalk side of Gove Street. Other concerns, expressed by neighbors, are storm drainage and standing water, cracks in driveways and vehicle speeding down Gove and 3rd Street.

Kevin Callanan, 1114 First Street. Thanked Council for coming to the public input meetings for the Pioneer School issue. Some terrific ideas were shared.

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NEW ITEMS: Floating Dock Replacement Project (AB 2555)

Yes: All

Change Order #2, Les Russell Const. Saltar's Pt. Safe Routes to Schools (AB 2156)

Yes: All

Contract Amendment and Closeout KBH Construction Inc. Steilacoom Blvd./Rigney Rd. CIP (AB 2154)

Yes: All

**REPORTS:
Mayor**

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

Mayor Lucas invited comments from the audience. There were none.

Councilman Smith moved and **Councilwoman Marcantonio** seconded to approve the bid award to Kappert's Waterfront Construction in the amount of \$60,475.00 (including applicable sales tax) for the purpose of replacing the floating dock sections at the Steilacoom boat launch and authorize the Mayor to sign the necessary documents as the agency representative.

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

Mayor Lucas invited comments from the audience. There were none.

Councilman Judson moved and **Councilman Davidson** seconded to approve Change order #2 to Les Russell construction Co. in the amount of \$26,362 (plus applicable sales tax).

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

Mayor Lucas invited comments from the audience. There were none.

Councilman Judson moved and **Councilman Davidson** seconded to amend the amount payable to KBH Construction Inc.; increasing the total contract amount payable to \$363,073.53 (including tax), accepting the project as complete and authorize the Mayor to sign the necessary documents as the agency representative.

Mayor Lucas reported the following:

- The Mayor shared experiences and items from his recent visit to China.
- This last Friday there was a ceremony where 14 mayors and several school districts signed a covenant showing their support to Fort Lewis and its families.
- The Mayor will be leaving for Washington D.C. next week with 33 other people from Pierce County. Part of the objective is to talk to Congressional Representatives asking for their monetary support for a possible youth center.
- The Mayor has spent a lot of time down Gove and 3rd Street. The construction company involved seems to be first rate.

Administrator

Town Administrator Loveless reported the following:

- The Mayor received an International Citizens award in China.
- Recently meet with Scott Shaw from BCRA regarding signage with in the Town's historical district. Grants may become available from Pierce County for this project.
- One of the members from our PRB board has retired. A local replacement has been found.
- Next Wednesday & Thursday there will be a production company filming a training video in the Bair Drug Store.
- Tomorrow, at the Governors request, the flags will be flown at half staff for a Washington State National Guard individual that was killed over seas recently.
- 20 Cherry trees were delivered and distributed throughout Town.
- Several trees on Union Ave. are being removed for hazard control.

Public Safety

Town Admin. Loveless reported the following for **Chief Drozynski**:

- There was a traffic accident last night on the railroad tracks.
- The Chief will be attending an emergency management training class in Maryland next week.
- The Mayor and Chief will be attending the opening of the Pierce County Emergency Operation Center this Friday.
- Our two new recruits graduated from the fire academy this last Friday. Congratulations to our new Public Safety Officers.
- We have one more vacancy for a PSO. Oral boards are taking place this Thursday to hopefully fill that position.
- PSO Whelan recently recovered a stolen vehicle that resulted in an arrest of two individuals with warrants, stolen property and other illegal activities.
- There was an incident at Sunnyside Beach involving a diver. Unfortunately the diver did not make it. The other diver is still hospitalized.

Attorney

Attorney Hoffman reported no new litigation.

Public Works

Public Works Director Burlingame reported the following:

- Project on Gove and 3rd Street is going very fast. Many utility challenges along the way. Contractor has been easy to work with. Very nice folks.
- Sunnyside Beach parking lot has been sealed. One more layer is due to be applied this week weather permitting.

Council

Councilman Smith reported the following:

- The Citizen Advisory Committee met last night to look over public input. Expect a report in June & July.
- Asked if there will be more discussion regarding the possible youth center in Town? Yes, according to the Mayor, he is working on monetary support first.
- Has there been any discussion with the School District regarding a possible trade in properties? No. Nothing formally according to Mr. Loveless.
- Have we heard anything about the School District Saltars Point property? Answer: It is still going through the process.
- Randolph & Farrells Drive. There is an abandoned boat.
- In regards to the mail boxes along Gove. The mail carriers are often the ones to make the decisions for the postal service. It seems that the residents should be notified.
- Will more trees on the north side of Gove St. be removed? No.
- Suggested that there be a priority schedule as far as chip sealing of our streets.
- Do we have any provisions in the code regarding delivery trucks blocking streets in Town? No. A PSO could ticket for the blockage. There are no special privileges.
- Asked for more information, from the Mayor ahead of time, regarding future projects around Town.

Councilman Judson had no comment.

Councilman Davidson reported the following:

- The railroad finally picked up the old railroad ties, however, the drainage ditch they created during the train derailment remains a problem.

Councilwoman Marcantonio reported the following:

- Commented there has been a Puyallup Police Department canine unit parking along Commercial Street for a week. Answer: They are conducting business out at McNeil Island.
- The Bair Drug Store looks very nice.
- She commented the intersection at Puyallup and Starling Street is not only an unsafe pedestrian crossing but the flashing lights at the crosswalk are overbearing.
- She mentioned that the youth center has been discussed.

Councilwoman Aboubakr reported the following:

- There is a dead seal pup along Sunnyside Beach.
- Special thanks to Bill & Paula Kitchens for garbage pick-up at our parks last Saturday.

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- Do we have plans to trim the heather throughout Town? According to Councilman Davidson the intent was for volunteers to maintain the heather.
- Who is taking care of the concrete containers in front of the Post Office? Answer: The Garden Club.

ADJOURNMENT:

The May 6, 2008 regular meeting of the Steilacoom Town Council adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

STUDY SESSION:

A study session to discuss BPA substation options was convened at 8:47 p.m. The study session adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Town Administrator

Mayor