

March 17, 2009

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, and Public Works Director Burlingame.

Mayor Lucas led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. **Minutes of March 3, 2009**
2. **Payroll Checks # 42336- # 42353 in the amount of \$154,446.68**
3. **Claims Checks # 64197- # 64282 in the amount of \$114,386.93 and Manual Check # 64194- # 64196 in the amount of \$4,047.78**
4. **Reappointment of Jim Taylor to Planning Commission (AB 2236)**
5. **Transfer Property to Right-Of-Way (Sequalish & Lexington St.) (AB 2237)**
6. **School Zones (Resolution #1083)(AB 2235)**

Yes: All

AUDIENCE INPUT:
Non-Agenda Items

Bob Rudolph, 1703 Starling Street. He shared that since the completion of Rainier Street it is difficult, with the street parking, to pull out of Wilkes Street. He suggested that parking be set back to increase visibility.

Nancy Covert, 1206 Union Ave. She shared historic information about the Post Intelligencer's connection to Steilacoom and the papers demise.

REPORTS:
Mayor

Mayor Lucas reported the following:

- Unfortunately the Town will not be receiving any federal stimulus money.
- Staff has informed the Mayor that a new fire truck may be needed in the near future.
- The EMS levy will be an all mail ballot on April 28th.
- Dr. Himmler has resigned. He has accepted a job at Omak, Washington.
- Approximately 31 million dollars have been spent on the Steilacoom High School. They are now considering installing field turf to their sports fields.
- The Bair Drug Store may be open as soon as June.
- Staff is attending the Chamber of Commerce luncheon tomorrow.

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Administrator

Town Administrator Loveless reported the following:

- The census committee representative met with the Mayor and Administrator to talk about the upcoming census.

Attorney

Attorney Hoffman reported no new litigation.

Public Safety

Chief Drozynski reported the following:

- Shared with Council the current EMS response times. Improvements have been made with response times partly due to AMR changing their schedule from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm, six days a week.
- The distribution of stimulant package money for police departments was determined by a town's population and its crime rate. Fortunately Steilacoom did not qualify.
- The new police recruit is doing well at the academy.
- The 1973 fire engine is the rig that would be replaced.

Public Works

Public Works Director Burlingame reported the following:

- A draft has been completed and sent to the State for the Lexington Street project. In the future when funds do become available the project will be ready to go.
- The Town crews are trying to determine where a water line leak has occurred in the Community Center. This has been a challenging project due to the concrete slab foundation. The staff has stepped up to keep this repair job in house to save money.
- Tomorrow a small town meeting is taking place with Pierce County to help with the discard of street sweeping debris.
- The Town's water sewer position has been filled. Out of 120 applications Steven Anderson was chosen. He started Monday.

Council

Councilwoman Aboubakr reported the following:

- The daffodils are blooming in Town. Thank you Paul Loveless.

Councilwoman Marcantonio reported the following:

- Kiwanis is selling flower baskets for \$15.00.

Councilman Davidson reported the following:

- Reported that he was in Oregon last week with 9 ½ inches of snow. Very relaxing but good to be home.

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Councilman Judson reported the following:

- Noticed in the Steilacoom Planning

mission minutes that they are forming a mission statement for the Town. Councilman Judson would like the Council to work with and support this effort.

Councilman Smith reported the following:

- We may have a water leak on Wallace & First Street.
- Noticed that at the end of Second Street there is a temporary tent. Are people allowed to put structures in the Town right-away? Answer-we will look into the issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

The March 17, 2009 regular meeting of the Steilacoom Town Council adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

STUDY SESSION:

A study session to discuss Public Works 2009 work plan and BPA substation options was convened at 7:35 p.m. The study session adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Town Administrator

Mayor