

April 21, 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, Public Works Director Burlingame, Research and Policy Analyst Huber and Administrative Assistant Bollman.

Mayor Lucas led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Yes: All

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

1. Minutes of April 7, 2009
2. Payroll Checks #42391 - #42417 in the amount of \$151,462.30
3. Claims Checks #64404 - #64482 in the amount of \$126,462.72 and Manual Check #64403
4. Radio Maintenance Contract for 2009–Pierce County (AB 2240)

PRESENTATIONS:

Distinguished Service Award – Larry Whelan

PROCLAMATIONS:

2010 Census Partner Proclamation

AUDIENCE INPUT:
Non-Agenda Items

George Phillips, 706 Pine Street. He stated that he had had a visit from the Census Bureau today. The work has begun.

Ginger Richardson, 707 Blaine Street. Thanked Officer Whelan for his professional and courteous manner he demonstrated when dealing with a current case.

REPORTS:

Mayor

- The upcoming EMS levy will be an all mail in ballot only but our polling places will not disappear for future elections.
- The Mayor received several emails from a resident that is concerned that there needs to be a Public Safety presence on Union Avenue everyday.
- The Mayor has participated in audits with the Town for 16 years. The auditors had not found any discrepancies regarding our court system. A year ago Paul Loveless expressed concern regarding the possibility of missing money. An internal audit discovered discrepancies with in our court system. The auditor was called in to verify the possibility of fraud. The case has been delivered to the prosecutor’s office and to law enforcement for action.
- Pierce County Council will be here for an in district meeting on April 28th. This is a great time for the public to be heard.

Mayor Lucas reported the following:

Administrator

Town Administrator Loveless reported the following:

- Informed Council that the PCPA dinner is upcoming and to please respond if they are interested in attending.
- Puget Sound Regional Council annual meeting is up coming. Please respond if attending.
- The Around Town is currently at the printer.
- The Garden Club plant sale is May 9th.
- The Steilacoom Farmers Market will make its debut on June 24th. There will be vendor booths every Wednesday from 3:00–7:00 pm located downtown in the multi-purpose court.
- Our annual audit from WCIA took place. We are in full compliance regarding land use regulations.
- There has been on going problems in Farrell’s Marsh. To help combat these issues, a 6 foot fence will be installed at the 108th street entrance.

Attorney Hoffman reported no new litigation.

Attorney

Chief Drozynski reported the following:

Public Safety

- This last Saturday’s CPR class was very successful. There were ten people that attended.
- This next Friday, Officer Derig and Officer Whelan, will be providing emergency response training to Steilacoom teachers.

Public Works

Public Works Director Burlingame reported the following:

- This coming Friday is Make A Difference Day. We are expecting 10-15 people from the 42nd MP Brigade to participate.
- Next week, starting Tuesday April 28th, there will be a planned power outage in the area of Sequalish & Short Street.
- We have installed a new VFI switch along 1st & Champion Street. There will be another power outage on April 30th from 11:00 – 2:00 pm. It is recommended that all households have a surge protector installed to prevent losses.
- The sewer pump in our own Public Works facility went out. It is being repaired now.

Research and Policy Analyst Huber reported the following:

- Spring clean-up this weekend. We expect to move cars through every 2 minutes. We check ID to make sure you are a resident. The Town is passing out free light bulbs and shower heads. A resident can come through as many times as needed.

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Council

- Asked if the farmers market will be held every Wednesday? Answer-Yes, in conjunction with the summer concerts in the park.
- Residents have asked about the language on our upcoming ballot. The EMS is a renewal of the existing tax.

Councilman Judson reported the following:

- Is the wayside horn crossing at the dock in the Historical district? Answer-Yes. Is it required that the Preservation & Review Board review the installation? Answer- No, it is considered a utility.

Councilman Davidson reported the following:

- Do we have a parking attendant down at Sunnyside Beach on the weekends? Answer- Yes. Are the scuba divers required to pay on the weekends? Answer- Yes.
- Announced that the rail road finally cleared out the ditch from the derailment.

Councilwoman Marcantonio reported the following:

- Encouraged residents to vote in favor of the EMS levy.
- She has noticed that many people jaywalk on Lafayette Street. She questioned the safety.
- Announced that she will not be running for Council next election.

Councilwoman Aboubakr reported the following:

- On a nice sunny weekend day, how many times a day do the attendants check Sunnyside Beach parking lot? Answer- 3-4 times a day.
- Have the weeds been sprayed along the Sunnyside parking lot? Answer- No, but look for spray being applied in the next week.

Councilman Smith reported the following:

ADJOURNMENT:

The April 21, 2009 regular meeting of the Steilacoom Town Council adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

STUDY SESSION:

A study session to discuss BPA substation options – updates was convened at 7:31p.m. The study session adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Town Administrator

Mayor