

TOWN OF WOODWAY

COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, June 6, 2016

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Carla Nichols called the first Council meeting for the month of June to order at 7:00 p.m. at Woodway Town Hall, 23920 113th Place West. Councilmembers Kent Saltonstall, Elizabeth Mitchell, and Tom Howard were present. Councilmembers Bill Anderson and Tom Whitson had excused absences. Town Administrator Eric Faison and Administrative Assistant/Permit Coordinator Austen Wilcox were also present.

I - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Saltonstall moved to approve the minutes of May 16, 2016 as amended. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

I - APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Councilmember Mitchell moved to approve 2016 Claims Checks #11270 through 11284 and EFTs totaling \$6,081.19. *Councilmember Howard* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Saltonstall moved to approve 2016 Payroll Checks #11266 through 11269 and EFTs totaling \$57,894.44. *Councilmember Howard* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None.

II - COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Howard and Councilmember Saltonstall requested excused absences for the next Council meeting on June 20, 2016. The Council discussed moving the next meeting to June 27, 2016.

Councilmember Mitchell expressed concern regarding pedestrian street crossing safety on Woodway Park Road at the location of the new Deer Creek Park. Due a sharp curve on Woodway Park Road, it is difficult to see oncoming cars before crossing the street.

Councilmember Saltonstall provided a recap of the recent oil train derailment in Oregon and indicated that Woodway should consider this potential hazard.

III – MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Nichols delivered an update on the Garden Book Committee; the book, which celebrates Woodway’s gardens and open spaces, will likely be published in the fall of 2016.

Mayor Nichols reported that the Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management is required to hold a federally mandated open house to present information to Woodway residents

on potential natural disasters that could affect our community and how the risks can be mitigated. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 20, 2016.

Mayor Nichols shared that, as discussed at a Council Meeting in the fall of 2015, a “farm style” gate will be installed at the base of the south Deer Creek Park driveway to prevent people from driving into the park while the upper meadow area of the park is closed.

Mayor Nichols reported that the Woodway Ready! Emergency Preparedness Co-Captains are organizing small meetings with the residents in their neighborhood areas before the Town Fair in August.

Mayor Nichols attended a Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board meeting as a second alternate for Snohomish County Cities and Towns. Mayor Nichols provided examples of current projects happening within the County and neighboring cities.

IV - TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Town Administrator Eric Faison submitted a written report that was included with the meeting packet. He also reported that the Town’s police car was damaged in an accident.

SCHEDULE FOR UPCOMING COUNCIL & NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

Mayor Nichols distributed a draft schedule for the summer Council and neighborhood meetings.

1. Woodway Municipal Code updates: Town staff will work with the Council to review the Town code from start to finish to address possible updates or revisions. The code review process will take several meetings. Staff will prepare one ordinance adopting the updates after all changes have been made.
2. Fireworks: The key article for the summer newsletter will focus on reminding residents that fireworks are not allowed in Woodway. Signs will also be posted on the Town readerboards.
3. Due to the Council not meeting on June 20, it was agreed that the Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management open house would tentatively be rescheduled for July 18.
4. Town Administrator Eric Faison explained that a proposed meeting will take place on June 23, 2016 inviting residents who live in the Estates to express any issues involving stormwater.
5. A letter went out to residents explaining the proposed tax levy lid lift that may be on the ballot in November, 2016 and requesting volunteer hosts for neighborhood meetings to discuss the tax proposal. There will also be a booth at the Town Fair in August and additional informational sessions in the fall of 2016. Councilmember Saltonstall commented that it may be wise to have Woodway’s measure on the ballot as soon as possible because there will likely be multiple public safety tax proposals in south Snohomish County presented to voters within 5 years. If several tax levy measures are proposed to the voters at the same time, there may not be support for them all.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None.

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSION-CHOICE OF SUBJECTS

Councilmember Howard stated that he will likely be gone the week of July 18, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR APPROXIMATELY 10 MINUTES TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL LITIGATION

At 8:14 p.m., Mayor Nichols recessed to executive session for approximately ten minutes to discuss potential litigation. At 8:30 p.m. Mayor Nichols reconvened the meeting.

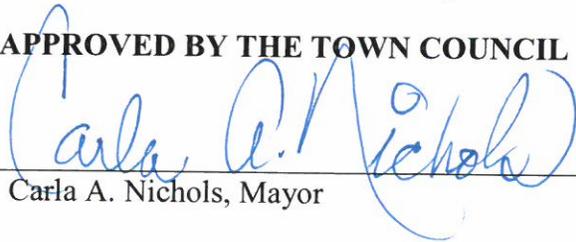
ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Saltonstall moved to adjourn the meeting. *Councilmember Howard* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL


Heidi K. S. Napolitano, Deputy Clerk


Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

(These minutes accurately reflect what was said at the Council Meeting. Publication does not vouch for the veracity of these statements.)