TOWN OF WOODWAY
COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, July 18, 2016

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Carla Nichols called the second Council meeting for the month of July to order at 7:03 p.m. at Woodway Town Hall, 23920 113th Place West. Councilmembers Bill Anderson, Kent Saltonstall, Elizabeth Mitchell, and Tom Whitson were present. Councilmember Tom Howard had an excused absence. Town Administrator Eric Faison and Deputy Clerk Heidi Napolitino were also present.

I - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Saltonstall moved to approve the minutes of July 5, 2016. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

I - APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve 2016 Claims Checks #11321 through 11336 totaling $21,001.38. *Councilmember Whitson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Al Swackhammer, *24102 107th Place W., Edmonds*, shared his concerns about the blackberries in the green space between his home and the Woodway Highlands neighborhood. Mayor Nichols said she would pass along his concerns to the Public Works Department.

II - COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Saltonstall presented the Mayor with a poster from Woodway's 25th anniversary. Councilmember Saltonstall shared his concern about a hanging branch near the corner of Woodway Park Road and S. Dogwood Lane.

Councilmember Anderson reported that he attended the Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management (DEM) board meeting the prior week. The cities served by DEM will be divided into zones to give those cities an opportunity to work together more closely. He suggested that Public Works Director Terry Bryant may be interested in attending future meetings.

Councilmember Anderson shared that he attended a recent Verdant Health Commission board meeting.

III – MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Nichols requested excused absences for the August 1 and September 6 meetings.

Mayor Nichols extended an invitation to the Council for the August 2 Woodway Ready! Area 9 BBQ. She will discuss the event with town staff to make sure everyone is aware of the road closure.

IV - Town Administrator's Report

Town Administrator Faison reported that the Upper Bluff annexation was official.

Town Administrator Faison shared that he will be absent for the August 15 and September 6 meetings.

V - Presentation: Edmonds Waterfront Center

Farrell Fleming introduced himself and the other Edmonds Waterfront Center representatives. He started the presentation with a brief history of the Edmonds Senior Center and the building they inhabit. He then reviewed the Center's environmental goals for a proposed new building, within which they and other local organizations would offer expanded programs. Daniel Johnson shared an example of a multi-generational program they recently sponsored. Mr. Johnson discussed their budget and fundraising goals. Mr. Fleming finished by answering questions about parking and environmental impacts. Mayor Nichols and the Council thanked them for their presentation. Mayor Nichols offered to place an article on the proposal in the next Woodway Whisper.

VI - Discussion: Woodway Municipal Code Chapter 11, Storm and Surface Water – Housekeeping amendments and substantive changes

John Forba, PACE Engineers, reviewed the changes to Chapter 11. The housekeeping changes included grammar changes and moving several sections to new locations. The substantive changes included:

1. Adding sections related to marine bluff projects;
2. Removing the connection charge (as that charge was already noted elsewhere in the code);
3. Adding a paragraph specifying impervious surface requirements for the Woodway Highlands neighborhood;
4. Clarifying the definition of a phased project; and
5. Having bonds governed by the new proposed language in 16.08.

Mr. Forba explained that, in the final draft, the phrase "marine bluff" would be changed to reflect that the regulation should be applicable to all bluffs, not only those along Puget Sound. The Council discussed the changes and agreed to add them to the final draft.

Mr. Forba shared that staff is in favor of adopting the 2012 Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE) manual instead of the currently adopted 2005 DOE manual. The 2012 update would require more low impact development than the current Woodway code. Staff will bring the proposal to a future meeting.

VII - Discussion: Woodway Municipal Code Chapter 16.08, Clearing and Grading – New section

Mr. Forba reviewed the new Chapter 16.08. He shared that most of the contents of the new chapter were already adopted by reference and explained that the proposed language mirrors how the Town currently processes clearing and grading permits. The Council discussed the new chapter and agreed that it should be added to the final draft of the code.

VIII - Ordinance #16-573 – Amend Title 12, Buildings and Construction (Adopt 2015 Code Updates and repeal certain sections)

Building Official Tom Phillips presented Ordinance 16-573, Amending Title 12, Buildings and Construction. The ordinance adopts the 2015 International Code Council codes regulating building activities in the Town, repeals certain sections that are no longer applicable, clarifies excavation and re-roofing thresholds, and amends language designating the fire chief. The Council discussed the ordinance and made a few minor changes.

Action

Councilmember Saltonstall moved to adopt Ordinance 16-573, Amending Title 12, Buildings and Construction as amended. *Councilmember Anderson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

IX - Discussion: Woodway Municipal Code Chapter 12, Buildings and Construction – Housekeeping amendments and substantive changes

Mayor Nichols and Mr. Phillips reviewed the changes to Chapter 12, Buildings and Construction. The housekeeping changes included grammar changes and moving several sections to new locations. The substantive changes included:

1. Adding a section outlining permit application expiration dates and not adopting sections of individual codes related to application expirations; and
2. Clarifying that, under the International Property Maintenance Code, pool enclosures must comply with the newly adopted International Swimming Pool and Spa Code.

The consensus of the Council was to add the changes to the final draft.

Audience Comments

Linda and Alan Freyd, *11310 Eagle Lane*, thanked the Council for the upcoming paving on their street and expressed concern over a structure near their home.

General Council Discussion-Choice of Subjects

Councilmember Anderson requested an excused absence for the August 15 meeting.

Mayor Nichols shared a letter included under the Mayor's Report sent from south Snohomish County mayors to the Snohomish County Executive. The letter requested more detail from the County Executive about how the proposed public safety revenues would be used and what programmatic changes would be initiated if the sales tax increase were approved by the voters. A brief discussion followed.

Mayor Nichols updated the Council on the two recent neighborhood meetings about the proposed levy lid lift and the possibility of annexing Point Wells. The Council discussed the low attendance at the meetings and how to reach more residents.

Adjournment

Councilmember Mitchell moved to adjourn the meeting. *Councilmember Whitson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi K. S. Napolitino, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

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.)