

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, January 6, 2014

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

The first Council meeting for the month of January was called to order by Mayor Nichols at 7:00 p.m. at Woodway Town Hall, 23920 113th Place West. Councilmembers present were William Anderson, Elizabeth Mitchell, Mike Quinn, Kent Saltonstall, and Tom Whitson. Town Administrator Eric Faison and Deputy Clerk Heidi Napolitino were also present.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve Claims Checks #8847 through #8878 including an EFT for the total amount of \$60,303.75. *Councilmember Quinn* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Saltonstall moved to approve Claims Checks #8879 through #8880 for the total amount of \$145.00. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Saltonstall moved to approve Payroll Checks #10833 through #10841 and EFTs for the total amount of \$65,822.38. *Councilmember Anderson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Whitson requested an excused absence for the next meeting.

Councilmember Quinn requested that the reader boards in Town be refreshed.

Councilmember Saltonstall reported that SnoCom will be manually transferring calls to the King County dispatch system for Fire and EMS calls to 911. Chief Cowan commented that Shoreline Fire Department has tested the system and that the average call transfer time is 27 seconds.

Councilmember Anderson reported that he attended a SnoCom meeting for Councilmember Saltonstall. The board discussed the New World system and the possible implementation date.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Nichols reported that she and Councilmember Mitchell attended the Snohomish County Cities and Towns meeting in December.

Mayor Nichols commended Shoreline Fire Department for their work acquainting themselves with the properties in town in preparation for the January 1, 2014 service change.

Mayor Nichols reported that she and a few councilmembers toured the Krebs property to view the land that would be purchased for a town park.

Mayor Nichols asked the Councilmembers when they would be available to hold a short Council retreat. The Council decided on January 25 at 9 am.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Town Administrator Eric Faison notified the Council that he waived the annual report requirement for the Hearing Examiner because no hearings were held in 2013.

Town Administrator Faison shared that all of the necessary paperwork has been submitted to the Snohomish County Council for the grant that will allow the Town to purchase two lots of the Krebs short plat for a town park. The County Council will finalize the approval of the grant money allocation at a January meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF SHORELINE FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Chief Cowan asked the five new firefighters to introduce themselves. Mayor Nichols welcomed them to Woodway and thanked them for their previous military service and volunteer fire suppression work.

DESIGNATE REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2014

The Council made several changes to the list of representatives to various regional designations. Mayor Nichols noted that the City of Lynnwood had not yet appointed a representative to the Snohomish Health District Board. When the councilmember is chosen, they would serve as Woodway's representative as well.

ORDINANCE 14-554, DANGEROUS DOGS

Kristin Eick from Ogden Murphy Wallace introduced the changes to the dangerous dog section of the Woodway Municipal Code. The proposed code changes are based on case law and court decisions that have occurred since the code was originally adopted. The changes include the addition of a probable cause standard, a standard of proof for the hearing examiner appeal, and allowing the Hearing Examiner to waive the required bond if a dog owner is unable to afford it.

Discussion followed about what happens if a person refuses to pay the bond, penalties for non-compliance, euthanasia of an animal, cost recovery, and the annual license fee for a dangerous dog.

ACTION:

Councilmember Anderson moved to approve Ordinance 14-554, Dangerous Dogs as amended. *Councilmember Saltonstall* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSION – CHOICE OF SUBJECTS

Mayor Nichols distributed the 2014 Master Calendar. She asked that the Councilmembers take the calendar home and let staff know if they have any suggestions or scheduling conflicts.

Councilmember Mitchell asked when the Twin Maples stormwater meeting would be held.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Nichols recessed to Executive Session at 8:25 pm for approximately one hour to discuss property acquisition.

Mayor Nichols reconvened the meeting at 9:22 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Quinn moved to adjourn the meeting. *Councilmember Saltonstall* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

Joyce Bielefeld, Clerk Treasurer

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.)