

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Monday, June 23, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL**

Mayor Nichols called the Council meeting for the month of June to order at 7:00 p.m. at Woodway Town Hall, 23920 113<sup>th</sup> Place West. Councilmembers Bill Anderson, Elizabeth Mitchell, Kent Saltonstall, and Tom Whitson were present. Councilmember Quinn had an excused absence. Town Administrator Eric Faison and Clerk Treasurer Joyce Bielefeld were also present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*Councilmember Saltonstall* moved to approve the minutes of May 5, 2014.

*Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

*Councilmember Saltonstall* moved to approve Claims Checks #9074 through #9093 including EFT's for the amount of \$163,929.78. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. Mayor Nichols stated that the largest portion of the payments was the check for the third quarter payment for fire services. Council discussed a payment for moving the public works storage container to the maintenance yard. *Councilmember Saltonstall* withdrew his motion.

*Councilmember Mitchell* moved to approve Claims Checks #9074 through #9093 including EFT's for the amount of \$163,929.78 including the payment for moving the storage container. *Councilmember Anderson* seconded the motion. The motion did not pass with a 2-2 vote. Administrator Faison stated that he would provide additional information regarding the moving of the public works storage container at the next Council meeting.

*Councilmember Saltonstall* moved to approve Claims Checks #9074 through #9093 including EFT's, but excluding check #9080 in the amount of \$3,494.40, for the total amount of \$160,435.38. *Councilmember Whitson* seconded the motion. The motion carried.

*Councilmember Saltonstall* moved to approve Payroll Checks #10863 through #10866 including EFT's for the amount of \$47,419.87. *Councilmember Anderson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** Bob Redding, a resident of Twin Maples neighborhood, thanked the Council for their past efforts to reduce the fireworks problem during the Fourth of July holiday. He recommended reminding the residents about the no fireworks ordinance in Woodway.

Mr. Redding commented on the recent wave of mail theft and auto prowls in his neighborhood and asked about installing cameras at the entrances to Woodway. He also commented on a vandalized vehicle located within the right of way.

Mayor Nichols responded that the Town would send a post card to residents reminding them of the ban on fireworks. She reported that the Council had received a presentation on security cameras about a year ago and that the estimated costs were close to \$100,000. It was agreed that Town staff would update the Council on current costs for such equipment.

Lisa Marquart, 1 Point Edwards Place, asked the Council to consider allowing Urban Farming within the Town limits.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilmember Anderson reported that he had attended the Snohomish County Tomorrow Housing Conference for Snohomish County as well as the Snohomish County Tomorrow monthly meeting.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Nichols announced that the Deer Creek Park Task Force met for the first time on June 20<sup>th</sup>. They will be doing a site visit to the property on June 27<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>. To look for ideas, the task force will visit Bridle Trails State Park and Carkeek Park. The committee plans to have a booth at the Town Fair so that initial ideas can be shared with the community as well as solicit ideas from residents.

Mayor Nichols asked Council's opinion about building a small stage which would be located west of the Playground. The stage could be used during the Town Fair. She estimated the cost to be about \$2,500. She stated the stage had been recommended by the GGLO architects and have been sited on all of the plan documents for the new Town Hall. The Mayor will provide additional information at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Nichols announced that the Whisper Newsletter will be mailed before the Town Fair.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Town Administrator Eric Faison announced that the City of Shoreline City Council would like to have dinner with the Woodway Council. He stated the Shoreline City Manager proposed a dinner prior to a Council Meeting. The Woodway Council suggested having a joint social meeting at Woodway Town Hall, with appetizers but without a specific topic.

Town Administrator Eric Faison reported that he signed an agreement to have AT&T research the feasibility and possible placement of a cell tower in the reserve. He stated that there were grant restrictions on most of the reserve property that restrict where to place a tower. He stated that, after doing some research, it was determined that it would be cost prohibitive for Woodway to build its own tower. The Council discussed how the tower would affect the wildlife in the reserve and the Woodway community.

**ACCEPTANCE OF COMPLETION OF TOWN HALL BUILDING:**

It is required that the governing board accept the completion of publically funded construction projects before the retainage held and the bond can be released to Faber Construction.

*Councilmember Anderson* moved to accept the Town Hall construction as complete and release the retainage and bond being held for Faber Construction. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN RENEWAL OF INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH SNOHOMISH COUNTY HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT URBAN COUNTY CONSORTIUM:**

Snohomish County is designated as an “Urban County” under the HUD Block Grant programs, and thereby receives direct annual grants from HUD under these programs. The funds are used to help meet affordable housing and community development needs in our community. HUD is requiring the agreement be amended in order to re-qualify for receipt of the grant funds for 2015-2017.

*Councilmember Mitchell* moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the renewal of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Snohomish County Housing and Community Development Urban County Consortium. *Councilmember Anderson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

**AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR INTER-JURISDICTIONAL COORDINATION RELATED TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING:**

The City of Stanwood now desires to join the Alliance and the Alliance Board recommends that Alliance governing bodies approve Amendment 2 to the Interlocal Agreement to add the City of Stanwood as an Alliance member effective August 1, 2014.

*Councilmember Mitchell* moved to authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 2 to the Interlocal Agreement for Inter-Jurisdictional Coordination related to Affordable Housing which would authorize the City of Stanwood to join the consortium. *Councilmember Whitson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

**DISCUSSION ON CRITICAL AREAS:** This item was tabled for a future meeting.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** Bob Redding, Twin Maples resident, commented that there were many ways to disguise cell phone towers making them virtually invisible.

**GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

Councilmember Whitson asked if the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Point Wells had been completed. Administrator Faison stated that it has not been completed.

Councilmember Mitchell recommended a company that may improve the composting process used by the Town’s Public Works crew

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

*Mayor Nichols* recessed to Executive Session at 8:15 pm for approximately 40 minutes to discuss potential litigation.

*Mayor Nichols* reconvened the meeting at 8:55 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Councilmember Anderson* moved to adjourn the meeting. *Councilmember Saltonstall* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

**APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL**

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Joyce Bielefeld, Clerk Treasurer

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Carla Nichols, Mayor

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