

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Monday, November 2, 2015**

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

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*Councilmember Whitson* moved to approve the minutes of October 19, 2015 as amended. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

*Councilmember Mitchell* moved to approve Claims Checks #10970 through #10992 including EFTs for the amount of \$37,332.45. *Councilmember Saltonstall* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

*Councilmember Anderson* moved to approve Payroll Checks #10966 through #10969 including EFTs for the amount of \$51,833.35. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

*Councilmember Howard* reported that he and Mayor Nichols walked through Deer Creek Park. He would like to see the community come together to help assist with the new path creation.

*Councilmember Saltonstall* requested an excused absence from the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Council meeting.

*Councilmember Anderson* attended an Emergency Services Coordinating Agency (ESCA) meeting. *Councilmember Anderson* reported he resigned as co-chair from the Housing Committee, but is still remaining as a member.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Nichols attended the Snohomish County Tomorrow (SCT) meeting and there were no action items. There was a presentation by the Mayors of Arlington and Darrington discussing the challenges they faced after the landslide, "Oso", and the particular recovery efforts put forth.

Public Works Director Terry Bryant determined that a trail and the installation of a livestock fence can be performed under the Council agreed upon \$5,000 budget and can be completed by March 1, 2016.

Mayor Nichols request an excused absence for the November 16, 2015 Council Meeting.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:**

Town Administrator Eric Faison reported that we have received all the documents we need to review the proposed Upper Bluff development and the annexation.

Town Administrator Eric Faison had a meeting with Clay White and Frank Slusser from Snohomish County to work through the Interlocal Agreement.

**PUBLIC HEARING-2016 REVENUE SOURCES AND BUDGET:**

Mayor Nichols opened the Public Hearing at 8:22 pm. She presented Resolution #15-381, which would increase property taxes by 1%.

Mayor Nichols acknowledged that there were no residents present who wanted to give testimony related to the budget.

Mayor Nichols closed the Public Hearing at 8:23 pm.

**REVIEW 2016 BUDGET:**

Mayor Nichols presented the draft budget reviewing the revenue sources as well as programs of expenditures. The highest increase in the budget comes from a proposed increase of staff salaries. A study was performed to compare existing Woodway salaries to other (similar) jurisdictions. It was found that Woodway has the lowest paid salaries from every comparable jurisdiction in the study.

The Council will consider a purposed neighborhood block party once more information is gathered to address safety concerns regarding its location at the Town’s Bridge.

**ANNEXATION FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

Town Administrator Eric Faison reviewed the Fiscal Analysis of Annexation Alternatives for the Point Wells Urban Center prepared for the City of Shoreline and the Town of Woodway by Property Counselors, Inc.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Councilmember Saltonstall* moved to adjourn the meeting. *Councilmember Mitchell* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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.)