



REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chambers – 1300 First Street

June 21, 2023 at 6:00 PM

1. WORKSHOP - EMS Fee Increase & Contract with Aberdeen for Fire & EMS Services

There was a discussion regarding the EMS rates that is charged by the City of Aberdeen. Mayor Pauley stated that we have charged the citizens a lower amount than what the City is paying. Director Pope stated we charge our citizens \$18.00 per month and we are being billed \$27.96 per month. Councilmember Wenzel stated that we need to address the difference due to budget shortfalls from the mill closure. Fire Chief Falley stated they have been in discussions with Aberdeen regarding the EMS and Fire contracts with Aberdeen that expire on June 30th. The agreements have not been finalized at this point.

2. FLAG SALUTE - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Councilmember Candice Makos

Councilmember Stana Carlisle

Councilmember Jim Ancich

Councilmember Raymond Robinson

Councilmember Miles Wenzel

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Carlisle to approve the agenda, Seconded by Councilmember Makos.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

5. PRESENTATION - Hoquiam Police Chief Joe Strong

Hoquiam Fire Chief presented a letter of commendation to Police Chief Layman for his assistance with a child kidnapping call that occurred .

6. PUBLIC HEARING

Administrator Raines gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Six-Year Street plan. Director Pope read a written comment from Ashley Arcangel regarding why some of the streets were selected and asked if the additional sidewalks were necessary.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Director Pope read a public comment from Ashley Arcangel . McNall Mason and Steve Davis also gave comments.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Ancich to approve the consent agenda, Seconded by Councilmember Robinson.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Subcommittee - Councilmember Wenzel stated they discussed the budget, EMS fees and EFT Policy.

Public Safety - Councilmember Wenzel stated bunker gear is expiring. They also discussed EMS and Fire Fees. For Police, they discussed the condition of the vehicles.

10. CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

City Administrator - Administrator Raines gave an update on the municipal building, discussed the Six Year Street Plan, and the Grays Harbor County Emergency Plan.

Finance Director - Director Pope stated she and Deputy Clerk Cheryl Chrt are both notaries now. She completed the EFT Policy as required by the State Auditor's Office and is currently working on the Small and Attractive Asset Policy. We sold the rescue boat for \$6500 and the 2008 Crown Vic sold for \$2800. Both vehicles were sold on GovDeals.

Police Chief - Chief Layman stated the drug take back disposal plan is up and running. He also discussed the Driver and People Search system. He went over the number of calls of service and how many were agency assists.

Fire Chief - Chief Falley stated they have some new volunteers: Shane Bridges, Parker Cotton, Darrell Tevis, and Johnathan Walker. Motion made by Councilmember Wenzel to approve the new members, Seconded by Councilmember Carlisle. Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel. Fire Falley would like to apply for two grants: one from FireHouse Subs and the other from Grays Harbor Community Foundation. Motion made by Councilmember Carlisle, Seconded by Councilmember Makos.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos made a motion to approve applying for both grants, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel.

Public Works Superintendent - Superintendent Nations stated the landscapers are working on Second Street. There has been vandalism at the Lions Park restrooms. There has been a lot of interest in reserving covered areas at the parks. He will be getting with the Parks committee to discuss this. Due to budget issues, Superintendent Nations is not going to be taking his city vehicle home.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pauley thanked Superintendent Nations. He said a lot of staff have made adjustments to help with the budget. He attended the Cosmopolis Field Day at the school. He had a citizen contact him regarding people mowing their yards and blowing the clippings into the street. He asked that everyone please keep the clipping out of the streets and sidewalks. The City Wide Garage Sale is on July 1st. There will be a special meeting on June 29th at 6 p.m.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION - per RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) To consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease

Mayor Pauley stated the special session will last for 10 minutes to return at 8:19 p.m. It was extended to 8:29 p.m. Regular session resumed at 8:30 p.m.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution 2023-04 (EMS Fees)

Motion made by Councilmember Wenzel to approve Resolution 2023-04, Seconded by Councilmember Makos.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

B. Flood Authority Interlocal Agreement

Motion made by Councilmember Carlisle to approve the agreement, Seconded by Councilmember Ancich.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

C. Resolution 2023-05 (SMP 2023 Amendments)

Motion made by Councilmember Ancich to approve Resolution 2023-05, Seconded by Councilmember Carlisle.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

D. Equipment Maintenance Agreement with GH County

Motion made by Councilmember Ancich to approve the Equipment Maintenance Agreement, Seconded by Councilmember Carlisle.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

E. RCO Parks Maintenance Grant

Motion made by Councilmember Carlisle to approve applying for the RCO grant, Seconded by Councilmember Ancich.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

F. Resolution 2023-06 (Six Year Street Plan)

Motion made by Councilmember Carlisle to approve Resolution 2023-06, Seconded by Councilmember Ancich.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Carlisle, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

14. COUNCIL COMMENTS

No comments

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joseph Gebauer - Joe showed us the medals he won at the Special Olympics this year. They were all from swimming.

Linda Springer - Linda discussed upcoming events at Highland Park. She also discussed how to set up a reservation system for the covered areas of the park and possible rent fees. There will be three covered areas when the new one is completed at Lions Park.

Ashley Arcangel - Director Pope read her written comment.