

TOWN OF HUNTS POINT

COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 8, 2008



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fred McConkey opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Councilmembers Jeri Boettcher, Ted Frantz, Kevin Hughes, Jim Nordstrom and Larry Williams were present. Staff present were Town Attorney Margaret King, Lieutenant Dan Yourkoski of the Medina Police, Town Engineer Joe Willis and Town Administrator Jack McKenzie. Planning Commissioners John Torode, Jill Davis and Bruce Swenson were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 7, 2008

MOTION: Accept the minutes of the Council Meeting of August 4, 2008 as written. Moved by Boettcher, seconded by Hughes. Passed 5-0. **MOTION CARRIED**

POLICE REPORT

Lt. Yourkoski reported that a theft had occurred during a teen party at a Hunts Point residence. All evidence pointed to an “inside” job.

FIRE SERVICES REPORT

There were four emergency services calls and one false alarm in Hunts Point in June.

SHEET PILE BULKHEAD PROJECT

Mr. Willis passed around some current pictures of the project. He said the project was going well and should be completed within two more weeks.

HAUG CHANNEL DREDGING PROJECT

Mayor McConkey reminded the Council that this project was private and was being done without Town involvement. He said the work was to be done by Waterfront Construction.

FAIRWEATHER PLACE CUL-DE-SAC FLOODING

Mr. Torode explained that the cul-de-sac at the north end of Fairweather Place flooded up to six inches deep when the Lake was high and there was a heavy rain. Mr. Willis said the drain would be reestablished after the bulkhead project was complete and then cleared out to remove any obstructions.

STREETLIGHTS ON 80TH AVENUE NE.

Mr. Willis reported the two new streetlights for 80th Ave. NE had been ordered and the deposit paid. He expects the work to be done this fall.

TOWN HALL REPLACEMENT

Mayor McConkey explained the problems associated with the draft output of the design for a new Town Hall from MAKERS. He expressed a desire to discontinue working with MAKERS and seek a different architectural firm. He said he will arrange for another architect to attend the Council Meeting on October 6th and, if the Council is satisfied with that individual, he will also attend the Council Retreat on October 24th.

After discussion the Council determined that it would be advantages to discontinue the arrangement with MAKERS and seek architectural help elsewhere.

MOTION: Authorize the Mayor to revoke the arrangement for design of a replacement Town Hall between MAKERS Architects and the Town of Hunts Point and reserve the amount of \$29,557 for use when a new architect has been chosen.

Moved by Frantz, seconded by Nordstrom. Passed 4-0 (Williams temporarily absent) **MOTION CARRIED**

STORAGE CONTAINER POWER SUPPLY

Mr. McKenzie provided background on the bids received for installation of a power supply in the storage container at the east end of the parking lot. This power supply will run through the electrical panel in Town Hall so that it will be energized by the emergency generator in case of a power failure. Two bids were solicited, one from Accurate Electric for installation of the electrical equipment and the supply cable in the amount of \$2,000 the other from Triple R Aggregate for cutting and covering a one hundred seventy two foot trench from Town Hall to the storage container in the amount of \$1,400. These figures did not include permit fees and other considerations for the installation. Mr. McKenzie requested authority up to \$4,000 in case of contingencies.

MOTION: Authorize the expenditure of up to \$4,000 to provide electric power to the storage container. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Hughes. Passed 5-0.

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. McKenzie requested authorization to transfer \$4,000 from the Current Expense Fund to the Capital Projects Fund to cover the cost of the installation.

MOTION: Authorize the transfer of \$4,000 from the Current Expense Fund to the Capital Expense Fund to cover the cost of installation of power in the storage container. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Boettcher. Passed 5-0.

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. McKenzie asked the Council to accept the bids of Accurate Electric and Triple R Aggregate for the installation of power in the storage container.

MOTION: Moved by Frantz, seconded by Boettcher. Passed 5-0.

MOTION CARRIED

FIRE SERVICES CONTRACT

Mayor McConkey explained the circumstances of how the annual fire services cost was established by the Bellevue Fire Department. He elaborated on the various costs that were included and summed up by saying the increases were caused by a new union contract with the Firefighters since the last contract was established. He

warned the Council that an additional fire station may be built in the near future with a cost component that may fall on Hunts Point and the other contract cities.

TENNIS COURT REPORT

Mr. McKenzie provided the Council with detail on the letter received from Bo Demme of Emerald Paving wherein he said they believed the problem was caused by the water saturation around the tennis courts. He said they would continue to study the problem and do a resurfacing job in the Spring of 2009. He also asked if Hunts Point would contribute to the cost of resurfacing.

Mr. McKenzie said he told Mr. Demme that, in order to effect a solution, the Town was prepared to put in a drain field to remove the water that stands in the area of the tennis courts during the rainy season. It would remain to see what it would take to do that before the Town would commit to any aid in the resurfacing.

SR-520 TOLLING STATEMENT

Mayor McConkey discussed the process being followed in establishing tolls for the 520 bridge. He explained the Tolling Statement in their agenda packets. He said this statement was prepared by the City of Clyde Hill and met approval with the mayors assembled at the last Mayor's breakfast.

After discussion and a consensus on agreement by the Council a motion was offered to authorize the Mayor to sign the statement.

MOTION: Authorize Mayor McConkey to sign the Tolling Statement approved by the Points Communities Mayors. Moved by Hughes, seconded by Frantz. Passed 5-0
MOTION CARRIED

SECURITY ACCESS TO TOWN FACILITIES IN AN EMERGENCY

Mayor McConkey and Mr. Torode discussed the availability of access to Town Facilities when keys to the facilities were not available. After discussion it was decided that, since members of the Emergency Services Team possessed keys to the storage container, a single set of keys to the gasoline storage locker, the enclosures for the emergency generator and gas supply and Town Hall be secured in the container for use by first responders.

Mr. McKenzie was assigned to place the keys in the storage container.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE MAPS

The Planning Commission presented an example of a map they had prepared that divided Hunts Point into areas for control and service in the event of an emergency. These maps are intended for distribution to emergency service workers and other interested groups.

TRAFFIC CALMING ON 80TH AVE. NE

Councilmember Williams made a request for the Planning Commission take responsibility for the 80th Avenue Traffic Calming Project. This was agreed to.

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RETREAT PLANNING

Mayor McConkey told the Council that the Annual Retreat would work on concepts for a new Town Hall. An architect will be available for discussions and will bring his concepts with him.

MILFOIL SURVEY

A discussion was held concerning the effectiveness of the milfoil treatment in the summer of 2008. A general view was that it was good, but not as good as the residents would like to see. Mr. McKenzie pointed out that native plants had recolonized the area and in some cases were thriving. The Town only provides treatment for Eurasian milfoil and much of the weed base being viewed by the residents was not milfoil but native weeds.

It was suggested that a questionnaire be sent out seeking suggestions from the residents concerning aquatic weed control in Hunts Point waters. It was also suggested that a poster displaying the various aquatic weeds in Lake Washington be posted at Town Hall.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

Vouchers Nos. 14629 through 14665 in the amount of \$394,714.06 dated September 8, 2008 were presented for review, approval and signatures. Approval granted.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McConkey adjourned the meeting at 8:02 PM

Jack McKenzie
Town Administrator

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