

TOWN OF HUNTS POINT

COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 1, 2010



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fred McConkey opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers Ted Frantz, Kevin Hughes, Jim Nordstrom and Dee Claypool were present. Councilmember Jill Davis was absent. Staff present was Assistant Town Attorney Margaret King, Chief Jeff Chen of the Medina Police, Deputy Clerk Linda Longmire and Town Administrator Jack McKenzie. Also present was Adam Klevin of Aquatechnex the Town's milfoil control contractor.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF February 1 , 2010

Councilmember Claypool pointed out two typographical errors.

MOTION: Accept the minutes of the Town Council Meeting of January 4, 2010 as corrected. Moved by Claypool, seconded by Frantz. Passed 4-0.

MOTION CARRIED

POLICE REPORT

Chief Chen reported on a scam being perpetrated in the area. It involved a call to an elderly family member who is told that a young relative is being held in jail in Canada or Texas or other faraway place. The caller informs the victim that money is needed to get the relative out of a predicament. Of course the young relative is not in trouble as the victims usually find out after they have sent the money.

Chief Chen introduced Ray Halvorson a new officer of the Medina Police who has just finished field training and is now on duty.

JAIL SERVICES CONTRACT

A series of letters concerning the King County Jail were reviewed. There were two specific subjects, an increase in the cost of jail services and an extension of the interlocal agreement between the County and the Cities.

After some discussion it was decided that there was little to do about the cost increase except to grin and bear it and the same was true about the extension of the agreement. A revised interlocal agreement can be expected for the next Council Meeting in April.

CLEARWIRE POLE EXPANSION

Mayor McConkey explained that the process of getting a special use permit is ongoing. Ms. King said she has been attempting to establish a reimbursement agreement for the Town to recoup legal costs from the other participants in the project.

TREE CANOPY COVERAGE STUDY

Mayor McConkey said the Tree Cover Assessment prepared by Tree Solutions was not as thorough as the original done in 2005 since there was not another physical inventory of the trees. The new study was based upon a recent aerial photograph of the Town and information from the Washington Department of Transportation.

Mayor McConkey said that, when the tree removals resulting from the construction of the SR-520 Project were considered as well as the recent tree removals for home construction the resulting coverage would be 57.4%.

AQUATIC WEED CONTROL

Mayor McConkey introduced Adam Klevin a representative of Aquatechnex a firm that has been providing aquatic weed control to Hunts Point waters for a number of years. He went on to provide historical information on the process of chemical treatment for control of aquatic weeds.

Mr. Klevin provided detail on the process of application as it is planned for 2010. Aquatechnex has established a practice of not applying chemicals in the lake on weekends when the number of water related activities is high. He also described the process of posting notices of treatment. After discussion a motion to accept the proposal of Aquatechnex for two treatments in 2010 was made.

MOTION: Accept the proposal of Aquatechnex for two chemical treatments of aquatic weeds in Hunts Point waters for 2010. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Claypool. Passed 4-0. Motion Carried.

OFFICE COPIER LEASE

Mayor McConkey outlined the process for selecting a copier to replace the Sharp black and white copier the Town had been leasing since 2005. He said the three best selling brands were Sharp, Ricoh and Cannon. These brands were demonstrated and evaluated. This resulted in the selection of the Cannon copier. Some discussion followed.

MOTION: Authorize Mayor McConkey to execute a sixty month lease for a Cannon copier with Copiers Northwest at a basic lease price of \$107.39 per month and an added \$35.00 per month for the accessories to increase the usefulness of the copier. Moved by Hughes, seconded by Frantz. Passed 4-0. **MOTION CARRIED**

ANIMAL CONTROL

Mayor McConkey said King County had been providing animal control services for Hunts Point. He said that King County wanted to leave the animal control business. A consortium of cities on the Eastside are working together to provide a joint animal control organization and Hunts Point would probably be best served by the organization provided by the consortium.

SR 520 PROJECT

Mayor McConkey told the Council that it looked positive for the Legislature to fund the SR-520 Project from the east end of the bridge to Redmond.

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TULLY'S TOWN MEETING

Mayor McConkey announced the subjects for the Tully's meeting with the Tree Code being a key topic. He said the Block Watch materials are complete and will also be explained at the Town Meeting.

HUNTS POINT RADIO CHANNEL

Mayor McConkey outlined the need for a Hunts Point only radio channel for the emergency communications system and directed Mr. McKenzie to gather information on costs and equipment.

EMERGENCY SERVICES DAY

Mayor McConkey announced May 15th as the day of the emergency services readiness practice. He said the phone tree, radio system and equipment will all be tested.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

Vouchers Nos. 148264 through 148295 in the amount of \$51,705.21 dated March 1, 2010 were presented for review, approval and signatures. Approval granted.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McConkey adjourned the meeting at 7:58 PM

Jack McKenzie
Town Administrator

APPROVED _____