

**TOWN OF HUNTS POINT
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2011
7:00 PM**



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fred McConkey opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Councilmembers Dee Claypool, Jill Davis, Ted Frantz, Kevin Hughes and Heather Smith were present. Staff present were Assistant Town Attorney Margaret King, Lt. Dan Yourkoski of the Medina Police, Town Planner Mona Green, Deputy Clerk Linda Longmire and Town Administrator Jack McKenzie. Residents present included Ken Fisher, Jim Nordstrom, Annie Ottesen, Vilma McComsey, and Elaine Coles.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2011 MEETING

MOTION: Approve minutes of the Town Council Meeting of January 3, 2011 as corrected. Moved by Davis, seconded by Hughes. Passed 5-0. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2011 SPECIAL MEETING

MOTION: Approve minutes of the Special Town Council Meeting of January 12, 2011 as written. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Claypool. Passed 5-0. **MOTION CARRIED**

POLICE REPORT

Lt. Yourkoski reported no police activity in Hunts Point during the month of January. He displayed a ponderous pile of paperwork which he said represented a single case file.

FIRE REPORT

Mayor McConkey reported there were 3 incidents in December, one EMS call, one good intent call and one false alarm.

STRUCTURE IN RIGHT-OF-WAY 3257 HUNTS POINT ROAD

Mr. McKenzie referenced the copy of the letter notifying the Rudolfs that the carved bear statue located in the Town Right-of Way must be removed since it violated the Hunts Point Municipal Code. The Rudolfs have not replied.

MILFOIL CONTROL PROGRAM 2011

Mayor McConkey outlined the elements contained in the proposal for aquatic weed control offered by Aquatechnex, Inc. After discussion a motion for acceptance was offered.

MOTION: Accept the proposal for aquatic weed control for 2011 presented by Aquatechnex, Inc. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Davis. Passed 5-0. **MOTION CARRIED**

PROPOSAL FOR PROJECT ENGINEER SUPPORT SR-520

Mayor McConkey explained the Town's contract for coordination with WSDOT provided for the State to reimburse the Town for the cost of a coordinator. Earlier in the project Mona Green was appointed to the position of coordinator. As the project has developed,

the Points Communities determined that the use of the design-build procedure for the project has many areas that need engineering review and input to protect their interests. The cities of Clyde Hill and Medina issued a request for qualification to solicit interest from engineering firms. If a satisfactory firm was uncovered, then select them to provide the services required.

After interviews and evaluation, the firm of DKS Engineering was selected to provide the services required by the Points Communities. The individuals selected to provide services have deep experience working with WSDOT and the design-build type of contracts. It was determined that this position and the coordinator position staffed by Mona Green would be complimentary to one another.

During discussions of the project, a problem surfaced. WSDOT only committed \$75,000 per town for the coordinator position. Since it is anticipated that the engineer would cost upwards of \$400,000, there is a need to seek additional funding from the State.

Councilmember Frantz mentioned that Exhibit D of contract number GCA 6497 needed to have additional design elements added to reflect the changed circumstances of the design process. He also felt that there should be language guaranteeing public notification and information on all facets of the design and construction process. Ms. Green said that the information stream had been established as a part of the design-build contract.

PSE GAS AND ELECTRIC FRANCHISE RENEWALS

Ms. King described the efforts of Chris Bacha, a member of the Kenyon Disend team who specializes in utility franchises, to work with Hunts Point and Medina on a renewal of these PSE franchises. Discussion followed.

MOTION: Authorize Kenyon Disend to enter into negotiations with PSE to renew the Town's franchise for gas and electric services. Moved by Hughes, seconded by Claypool. Passed 5-0.

MOTION CARRIED

RETIREMENT

Mayor McConkey announced the retirement of the Town Administrator effective at the end of business on February 28, 2011. After a discussion about the possibilities in finding a successor, he spoke to the continuing operation and succession plan that was included in the Council packets. Mr. Hughes requested that an executive recruitment firm be retained to carry out a search for candidates.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor McConkey described the situation involving the City of Medina and its relationship with Chief of Police Jeff Chen.

Mayor McConkey announced a design meeting to be held on Wednesday involving the Points Communities Mayors, WSDOT and ECC, the contractors on the SR 520 Project.

Mayor McConkey also announced that the property at 4450 Hunts Point Road (the tip of the point) has been placed under purchase contract by Hunts Point resident Rod Olson.

Mayor McConkey expressed some dissatisfaction with the updating of the Town's web page and said he wished to hire an intern for the summer to work on bringing it up to date and establishing a method for timely posting of announcements, notices and Town actions.

Mayor McConkey said the Planning Commission is now studying the new Shoreline Management Act and its impact on Hunts Point in anticipation of the adoption of a new Shoreline Management Program for Hunts Point.

STREET LIGHTS

Mayor McConkey addressed a list of potential locations for new street lights in Hunts Point. This list included lights along Hunts Point Road and at various other locations in the Town. After discussion, the Town Administrator was assigned the responsibility of gathering cost estimates for these new locations.

SECURITY CAMERA ON 80TH AVENUE NORTHEAST

In response to a request from Annie Ottesen for installation of a security camera at the south end of 80th Avenue NE to provide visual information from the access along the construction site, Mayor McConkey and the Council requested a gathering of information from suppliers of cameras.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

Voucher Nos. 148645 through 148682 in the amount of \$67,034.33 dated February 7, 2011 were presented for review, approval and signatures. Approval granted.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McConkey adjourned the meeting at 8:21 PM

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