

**TOWN OF HUNTS POINT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY July 8, 2013
7:00 PM**



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fred McConkey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Ken Fisher
Dan Temkin
Heather Smith
Pat Finnelly
Ted Frantz

Staff:

Sue Ann Spens, Finance Coordinator
Bob Sterbank, Town Attorney
Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Officer Austin Gidlof, Medina Police
Mona Green, Town Planner
Stacia Schroeder, Town Engineer

Public Attendees:

Joe Sabey, Planning Commissioner

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT CALENDAR Consists of routine items for which Council discussion is not required. A Councilmember may request that an item be moved to Regular Business for discussion. Consent items are approved with one vote.

MOTION: Approve the Consent Calendar including the June 3, 2013 minutes as amended, and warrants numbers 149689 through 149670 as revised in the amount of \$71,054.95. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Temkin.
Passed 5 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

Medina Police Department

Officer Austin Gidlof introduced himself as he is new to the Department. He noted that there were no incidents in Hunts Point in the prior month. He was asked about an incident of a suspicious person on Fairweather where a resident called 911. Officer Gidlof was aware of the incident but did not have details. He will get the information and provide it to the Town. There was further discussion about how the individual may have gotten into the area. Due to the construction there are some open access points. Mayor McConkey asked Town Planner Green to discuss the matter with Fred Tharpe of WSDOT.

Bellevue Fire Department – noted

Shoreline Master Plan Update

Mona Green, Town Planner provided an update on the status of the Shoreline Master Plan. The Town has received a preliminary response letter from DOE. The letter has been discussed with the SMP committee. The biggest concern is over the recommendations on setbacks. There seems to be an issue about the definitions. When the Town receives the formal response letter we will discuss our concerns with DOE.

Miscellaneous SR 520 issues

It was noted that there is a problem with one of the panels on NE 28th. ECC is working with the property owner to resolve the problem. The length of the sound walls was discussed. It is expected that there will be sound walls between each of the lids.

There was discussion regarding pavement issues around the traffic circle and on 84th. It was noted that once the SR 520 project is completed and they have done the repaving we will need to determine what the Town should do around the Traffic circle as part of the Hunts Point Circle project.

SIX YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT/TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Mayor McConkey informed the Council that each year we are required to update our six year Capital and Transportation Improvement Plan. It was noted that we are not bound by the plan or the amounts noted. It does assist other jurisdictions in planning for projects that affect the Town such as utility work. The Council discussed the plan in depth and made some additions and revisions. There was also a discussion regarding the possibility of grants to fund some of the work. It was noted that since our roads are not standard some state grants are not available. The Town Engineer will look into any available opportunities for grants.

Public Hearing

Mayor McConkey opened the public hearing at 8:20 pm and asked for comments. There were no comments. He closed the hearing at 8:21 pm.

MOTION: Approve the Six Year Capital Improvement/Transportation Improvement Plan as amended. Moved by Smith seconded by Temkin.
Passed 5 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

STREET LIGHTS

There was a discussion regarding adding street lights on 80th to replace the old wooden lights. Two of the lights on 80th have been replaced. Mayor McConkey noted that there is a plan in place for street light replacement. The Council also discussed reprioritizing the lights scheduled for Hunts Point Road to replace lights on 80th Street instead.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Hunts Point Circle Design Update

Planning Commissioner Joe Sabey discussed the current proposal that will be before the Planning Commission on July 22. There was discussion on various options regarding parking, walking paths and what the Town and residents can do in the Town Right of Way. The intention is for the Planning Commission to fully discuss this and get as much resident input as possible. There was also discussion on the timing of the project. It was suggested that it not be done until the SR 520 project is complete in the Hunts Point area.

OTHER ITEMS

Meeting with WSDOT re: landscaping

The results of the meeting with WSDOT regarding landscaping along SR 520 were presented. It was noted that the planting was to be done in the fall. There was discussion regarding the types of trees and the placement of the trees. The goal is to screen backyards from individuals walking on the path. Also they will be planting ivy on the walls for coverage. Town Planner Green indicated that they will come out and place stakes showing what type of tree will be planted where and the Town will have the opportunity to comment.

There was discussion regarding the height of the trees to be planted. The concern was that ten foot trees would not provide coverage for several years and that some twenty foot trees should be planted. Town Planner Green was asked to let WSDOT know of this request in an email with copies to the Council and Mayor. A question was asked regarding where the wall on the bike path would end.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Approve the addition to the agenda of an executive session for the purpose of discussing the conveyance of real property. Moved by Temkin seconded by Frantz.
Passed 5 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor McConkey announced that the executive session was expected to last from 8:45 pm to 9:00 pm and convened the executive session at 8:45 pm.

The executive session ended at 9:15 pm and the Council reconvened the open session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Adjourn the Town Council Meeting. Moved by Fisher seconded by Smith.
Passed 5 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer