# TOWN OF HUNTS POINT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY December 9, 2013 Continued from December 2, 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 Pat Finnelly Ted Frantz

Council Member Absent:

**Heather Smith** 

Staff:

Sue Ann Spens, Finance Coordinator
Jay Long, Town Attorney
Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Sue Israel, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Lt. Dan Yourkoski, Interim Chief Medina Police
Mona Green, Town Planner

Public Attendees:

Joe Sabey, Planning Commissioner

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

<u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u> 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 November 4, 2013 minutes as amended and warrants numbers 149865 through 149901 in the amount of \$124,863.11. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Frantz.

Passed 4 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

## STAFF REPORTS

## **Medina Police Department**

Lt. Dan Yourkoski, interim police chief, reported that there were two incidents in the prior month both of which resulted in arrests of suspects. One was a burglary of a home and the other was a vehicle prowl. Lt. Yourkoski noted that the cameras in Hunts Point and Medina were very helpful in finding the suspects.

He commented that Medina police have tried to be visible to help enforce the ordinance regarding turning left onto westbound SR 520. There has not been a problem since traffic has been relatively light but he anticipates more issues as traffic increases.

# Bellevue Fire Department – Report Noted

#### **New Town Attorney**

Mayor McConkey introduced the new Town Attorney assigned to Hunts Point by the Kenyon Disend law firm. His name is Jay Long and he specializes in municipal law and has worked with a neighboring city.

#### ADOPTION OF 2014 BUDGET (ORDINANCE NO. 498)

Sue Ann Spens, Finance Coordinator, provided an overview of Ordinance No. 498 adopting the 2014 budget. She noted that each expenditure listed does not have to be spent but must be budgeted in order to be expended if needed. She also noted that the format of this ordinance is different from previous budget ordinances in that it lists expenditures since that is what the Council controls. State rules require that Councils authorize appropriations (expenditures) by ordinance.

There was a discussion on the new policy regarding towns utilizing GAAP accounting procedures. If a town utilizes a cash basis for accounting rather than an accrual basis (as does Hunts Point) their financial statements are considered non-GAAP compliant and they will receive an adverse opinion to that effect on their audit. Accrual basis is more complicated and that is why smaller cities do not use it. The eastside mayors are trying to get an exemption for smaller cities so that this adverse opinion will not appear on their audits.

The Mayor opened the public hearing on the budget at 7:32 pm. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed at 7:34 pm.

**MOTION**: Pass Ordinance No. 498 adopting the 2014 Budget for the Town of Hunts Point as presented. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Finnelly.

Passed 4 - 0.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

## **Points Drive Revisions**

The issue of the lane revision on Points Drive was discussed. Joe Sabey reported on a conversation he had with George Martin, Mayor of Clyde Hill. Mr. Sabey indicated that he told Mr. Martin that the course of action favored by Hunts Point was to make no revisions to Points Drive at this time. After the SR 520 project is done then determine if any changes need to be made. Mona Green, Town Planner, reported that she discussed the matter with Fred Tharp of WSDOT. Mr. Tharp indicated that WSDOT would share the cost if the parties agreed on a revision. There was discussion regarding the fact that the revision proposed by Clyde Hill would have an adverse impact on residents of Hunts Point and Yarrow Point. There will be further discussions with Mr. Martin to determine the status of the project and ensure he is aware of our position.

## SR 520 Update

Mayor McConkey reported that the latest estimate for completion of the 84<sup>th</sup> roundabout is June. WSDOT has determined that the Bellevue Way lid needs to be completed first so that traffic will have somewhere to go when the 84<sup>th</sup> final construction impedes traffic in this area.

The Mayor also reported on the issue of the Bike Path screening. Resident John Lewison is trying to have WSDOT build a six foot fence behind his property and so far they have refused. The Town may have to work with Mr. Lewison regarding a variance to build his own fence taller for screening from the path.

## 2014 Draft Strategic Plan

The Mayor noted that the 2014 Strategic Plan was drafted based on input from the retreat. It remains in draft form so that it can be revised and updated as needed.

#### **Comprehensive Plan Update**

Mona Green, Town Planner informed the Council that the Town has received a \$10,000 grant from the State Department of Commerce to assist with updating the Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Commission will begin working on it in January and will send to the Council for approval when a draft is complete. The final must be submitted to the State by June 2015.

#### **Shoreline Master Program**

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Mona Green, Town Planner reported that the Shoreline Master Program Committee met and suggested responses to the Department of Ecology response. The Ecology representative suggested that he meet with the committee to discuss their concerns before a formal response is submitted. That meeting will be scheduled in January. It was also suggest that the representative be given a tour of the Town to ensure that he understands the unique nature of Hunts Point. Mayor McConkey indicated that the Town should prioritize their concerns and that the Stringline issue should be the first priority.

#### **HAZARD MITIGATION**

Sue Ann Spens, Finance Coordinator, discussed the requirement for the Town to adopt a hazard mitigation plan which is then incorporated in the King County plan. She presented a list of areas that must be covered in the plan and asked the Council to let her know if they had any concerns or input on any of the issues. The Town must submit a plan by January 17, 2014. She will bring a draft of the plan to the January Council meeting for discussion and adoption.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

The Council discussed having the meeting packets delivered electronically. It was decided that would begin with the January meeting and that the packets would be delivered with the agenda material in pdf format and sent to each member by email to their council email address.

It was reported that the extra dock pilings have still not been removed from Fairweather Basin. Town Planner, Mona Green, will ask WSDOT for a status. Mayor McConkey indicated that he has pictures of the pilings and will forward them to Ms. Green.

#### RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council recessed to executive session at 8:45 pm to discuss various WSDOT issues. The anticipated time of the session is 10 minutes. The Council reconvened at 9:05 pm. No action was taken.

# **MAYOR MCCONKEY FAREWELL**

Council member Frantz thanked Mayor McConkey for his service to the Town and the residents during his tenure as Mayor. He also presented Mayor McConkey a clock with an engraved plaque as a token of appreciation from the Town.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,	

Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

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