

**TOWN OF HUNTS POINT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY February 3, 2014
7:00 PM**



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joe Sabey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Pat Finnely
Ken Fisher
Ted Frantz

Council Members Absent:

Heather Smith
Dan Temkin

Staff:

Sue Ann Spens, Clerk-Treasurer
Jay Long, Town Attorney
Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Officer Brady Halverson, Medina Police
Mona Green, Town Planner
Stacia Schroeder, Town Engineer

Public Attendees:

Roger McCracken, Resident
Marianne Jones, Resident
Patrick Jones, Resident
Michael Heijer, Resident

OATH OF OFFICE

Sue Ann Spens, Clerk-Treasurer administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Fisher.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Resident Michael Heijer asked the Council to continue to work with WSDOT regarding screening the lights on the freeway so they do not shine into resident's property. Also we should check on the water quality in Fairweather. He noted that he had boat maintenance done recently and there is excessive rusting potentially from something in the water.

Resident Roger McCracken also encouraged the Council to work with WSDOT on screening the lights on the freeway. In addition he asked that the bike path be open only during daylight hours. He noted that WSDOT had offered to put up a sign to that effect. In another issue he noted that Fairweather bay was very turbid after a rain and was concerned that the stormwater detention pond was not operating properly.

Resident Patrick Jones informed the Council that the concrete wall along the bike path stops at the center of his property and then becomes a chain link fence. He believes that the concrete wall should continue to 84th. There will be a space between the wall and the bike path which he believes will be a security issue. He would like to see a drawing of what the area will look like when complete.

Resident Marianne Jones had concerns about the concrete wall as well. She believes that the residents negotiated to have a full concrete wall and that it was in the Conditional Use Permit. Such a change would be considered material and would require another hearing on the permit. She also noted that the non shielded lights are a material change and should be subject to a new hearing.

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 January 6, 2014 minutes and warrants numbers 149941 through 149974 in the amount of \$54,869.36.
Moved by Frantz, seconded by Finnely.
Passed 3 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

Medina Police Department

Officer Brady Halverson informed the Council that there were no incidents in the prior month. He reminded everyone that they should lock their doors and set their alarms when they leave the house. Also he asked that residents call 911 after hours regardless of the issue so that it will be dealt with immediately. If it is not an emergency they can so note but the information will still be passed immediately to the officer on duty.

Bellevue Fire Department – Report Noted

Clerk Report

Sue Ann Spens, Clerk Treasurer provided an update on ongoing projects. Mayor Sabey noted that he will be the representative to the Eastside Transportation for the Points Communities.

Town Engineer

Stacia Schroeder, Town Engineer, distributed the proposal from TSI to update their 2006 report on street lighting in Hunts Point.. The Capital Improvement plan indicating what lights are currently planned for replacement was also noted. It was determined that the proposal from TSI would be tabled and the Town Engineer will update the location of existing lights indicating what has been replaced. Also she will note any issues with the older lights. She will have the report ready for the next Council meeting.

Council member Frantz indicated that the utility vault near the traffic circle makes noise and may be loose. Also the road patch done by Comcast in the same area was noted to be sinking. Ms. Schroeder indicated that the utility vault will be brought to the attention of WSDOT and she will talk to Comcast regarding the road patch that they did.

Town Planner

Mona Green, Town Planner, reported on the SMP committee meeting. They met with the Department of Ecology representative and the meeting was very productive. There are only a few issues left to be resolved. There was a discussion of dock size as we are requesting that an alternative design be allowed if approved by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Army Corps of Engineers. Ms. Green noted that the Department of Ecology does not have a problem with our stringline but doesn't want to utilize the plat maps but rather a specific setback number for the property. We want to use the least restrictive number based current location of the primary residence. She also noted that the Department of Ecology seemed very willing to work with the Town to resolve the issues.

There was discussion regarding the Conditional Use Permit issued for the SR 520 construction. Council member Fisher indicated that the Council should review the questions brought up during the public comment. He believes that some of the conditions of the permit apply outside of the 200 foot area covered by the permit. The Town Attorney, Jay Long, indicated that their office has advised that WSDOT is in compliance with the permit. If the Town believes that the permit is not being complied with they will need to bring forth data to support it.

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION REAPPOINTMENTS

MOTION: Confirm the reappointment of Chris Linden to the Park Commission for a term ending 12/2018 and Bruce Swenson to the Planning Commission for a term ending 11/2019. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Frantz
Passed 3 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 14-228 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH WSDOT

The Mayor discussed the proposal indicating that there are no plans to have a new driveway to Town Hall constructed at this time. The easement is to preserve the option to do so in the future. Council member Fisher indicated that he was opposed to the language as it indicates that they can take the easement back. Town Attorney, Jay Long, indicated that the language was standard for this type of limited easement. It was decided to table the resolution until the next Council meeting so the Town Attorney and Council members can further review the language.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Sabey reported that he had met with ECC and WSDOT. There is a new manager for the project who was present at the meeting. He indicated that they seemed open to talk about timing and access issues. He discussed the issue of the fence between the Hunts Point Circle properties and SR 520. He noted the various options regarding that area. He also indicated that he is working with WSDOT and ECC to try to get the entire fence to be the same height as the concrete wall. Also the chain link portion is to have slats for privacy. The work on this area has stopped until the issue of the fence is resolved.

MOTION: That an executive session to discuss potential litigation related to WSDOT issues will be added to the agenda. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Finnely
Passed 3 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council recessed to executive session at 9:01 pm to discuss potential litigation related to various WSDOT issues. The anticipated time of the session is 10 minutes. The Council reconvened at 9:47 pm. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer