

**TOWN OF HUNTS POINT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY May 5, 2025
6:00 PM**



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joe Sabey called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present:

Joe Sabey
Ted Frantz
Ernie Norehad
Ken Fisher

Staff:

Addie Tych, *Deputy Clerk Treasurer*
David Linehan, *Town Attorney*
Jeff Sass, *Chief of Medina Police*

Public:

Fred McConkey, *Hunts Point resident*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Fred McConkey gave an overview of this year's Town Clean Up Day. The event will take place on Sunday May 18th starting at 9am.

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: Move to approve the March 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes, the April 7, 2025 Claims Register for check numbers 153839 through 153862 in the amount of \$39,543.68 and the May 5, 2025 Claims Register for check numbers 153863 through 153884 in the amount of \$222,039.87. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Fisher.

Passed 3 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

Medina Police Department

Chief Sass reported that Medina Police were dispatched to a home along Hunts Point Road for a report of an individual entering an occupied residence through an unlocked door. The suspect left the home without incident and the resident called 911, prompting a large police response to the area and ultimate arrest of the individual.

Clerk Report

Clerk Treasurer Spens has been investigating switching to an ACH/ EFT payment process. The Town's current bank provides the service but at a cost. She will give another update at the next Council meeting.

Town staff have proposed collecting a deposit fee for consultations with contract staff. The number of code interpretation inquiries have continued to increase, particularly from realtors and staff sometimes have a difficult time collecting the charges for the consultant's time. The Council were in favor of a resolution to update the Fee Schedule to collect a consultation deposit. Staff will present a resolution to the Council at a future meeting.

Candidate filing opened on Monday May 5th for mayor and councilmember positions 1, 3 and 5.

Res No. 25-288: ARCH 2025 Housing Trust Fund Recommendation – *for approval*

The Washington State Growth Management Act requires cities and towns to provide for affordable housing. To comply with this requirement, the Town of Hunts Point participates jointly with other cities and towns in A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH). Resolution No. 25-288 approves ARCH's proposal to use \$7,200 of the Town's reserve funds (that are currently held by ARCH) for the projects recommended by the ARCH Executive Board. The Council reviewed the provided materials.

Motion: Adopt Resolution No. 25-288 authorizing the use of \$7,200 from the Town's ARCH reserves for the project listed in the recommendations set forth in the ARCH Executive Board's memorandum of December 26, 2024. Moved by Norehad, seconded by Fisher.

Passed 3 – 0 – 0

MOTION CARRIED

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), the Council recessed to executive session at 6:49 pm to discuss potential litigation. The Council reconvened at 7:14 pm.

Middle Housing Code Amendments – *for discussion*

Middle housing refers to those housing types between single-family residences and mid-rise, multi-family development. In 2023 and 2024, the Washington State Legislature passed several significant housing and land use bills intended to expand the state's housing supply. HB 1110 sets an adoption date of June 2025. The Council reviewed the materials provided. A public hearing will be scheduled for the June Council meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING: Hunts Point Comprehensive Plan – *for discussion*

The Council reviewed the drafted Comprehensive Plan. The public hearing will be moved to the next Council meeting.

MAYOR REPORT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Norehad.

Passed 3 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Addie Tych, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer