

**TOWN OF HUNTS POINT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY January 9, 2017
6:00 PM**



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joe Sabey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Pat Finnely
Elaine Coles
Ken Fisher
Dan Temkin

Staff:

Addie Tych, Deputy Clerk Treasurer
Sue Ann Spens, Clerk Treasurer
Stacia Schroeder, Town Engineer
Mona Green, Town Planner
David Linehan, Town Attorney
Chief Steve Burns, Medina Police

Public Attendees:

Gary Slotnik, Hunts Point resident

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: Move to approve the Consent Calendar, including the amended minutes of the December 5, 2016 meeting and the December 31, 2016 Warrant Register for warrant numbers 151036 through 151065 in the amount of \$32,650.94. Moved by Finnely, seconded by Coles. Passed 4 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

Medina Police Department:

In recent months, the Point Communities have seen an increase in reported vehicle prowls and home burglaries. Though the increase may be alarming, the overall reported crime percentage is still lower than the surrounding eastside. Chief Burns reiterated that residents should always call and report any suspicious activity. The new surveillance signs have arrived and will be installed shortly. Medina Police have been working with WSDOT to combine camera systems on the Medina Point lid. Police should have access to the system by early February. Medina Police will be holding a community forum sometime in February or March. They are also looking into holding a joint event with Clyde Hill Police as well. Chief Burns will inform the Town and Council once a date has been decided.

Staff

Following up on the LED Street Light Program, Clerk Treasurer Sue Ann Spens informed the Council that the Town will be able to install a test light without signing the grant contract. The light will be same wattage and hue as the new LED lights installed at Medina Town Hall. Once the light has been installed, staff will alert residents and elicit feedback.

Town Planner Mona Green provided the Council with an update regarding WSDOT's plans to replace the dead trees along SR520. Terra Dynamics (on behalf of WSDOT) will begin replacing the dead trees this week. Hunts Point resident Gary Slotnik addressed the Council and requested that the Town establish a yearly project plan that would, among other things, outline a timeline and standards for upkeep in the area. Mr. Slotnik also asked that the Town appoint a non-resident to oversee the area and notify WSDOT if maintenance needs to take place.

Bellevue Fire Department:

Report received and noted.

MAYOR PRO-TEM – for approval

Motion: Select Councilmember Ted Frantz to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for a six month term.

Moved by Fisher, seconded by Temkin.

Passed 4 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENDING SECTIONS OF THE HUNTS POINT MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE USE OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY – for approval

As a result of the recent agreement with Century Link, Town staff reviewed sections of the Town's Municipal Code to streamline the process for permitting work on the Town rights-of-way (ROWs). At the December Council meeting, Town Attorney David Linehan drafted an ordinance amending the relevant sections of the Town's Municipal Code. Council reviewed and after discussion concluded that the sections relating to private land use should be referred to the Planning Commission for review and instructed Mr. Linehan to redraft the ordinance to only

reference sections related to public/ Town issues and administrative procedures. Council reviewed the new revised ordinance and code.

Motion: Pass proposed Ordinance amending sections of the Hunts Point Municipal Code pertaining to use of the Public Rights-of-Way and Telecommunications. Moved by Temkin, seconded by Finnely.

Passed 4 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS FOR LANDSCAPING AND TOWN BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS – for approval

After the last Beautification Committee public open house, several residents have asked if the Town can accept private donations. Since the Town currently doesn't have any protocol when it comes to donations, Town Attorney David Linehan was asked to research the question. Mr. Linehan explained that the Council may elect to accept private donations but must first pass an ordinance that outlines and authorizes that acceptance. The draft ordinance and donation form in Council packets would establish a donation policy, designate that all donated funds be kept in a Beautification Fund, and outline the acceptable uses for donated money. One question that arose was whether donations to the Town would be tax deductible. Staff will investigate that question and provide Council with more information at the February meeting.

STAFF UPDATE

Town Attorney David Linehan informed the Council that as part of the amended Interlocal Agreement with Kirkland Municipal Court passed at last month's meeting, the Town will need to select a conflict defender. Mr. Linehan has contacted several firms and will present a recommendation to the Council at the February meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm. Moved by Finnely, seconded by Coles.

Passed 4 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Addie Tych, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer