

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



CALL TO ORDER

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

Council Members Present:

Ken Fisher
Elaine Coles
Ted Frantz
Pat Finnely
Dan Temkin

Staff:

Addie Tych, Deputy Clerk Treasurer
Sue Ann Spens, Clerk Treasurer
David Linehan, Town Attorney (*via phone*)
Chief Steve Burns, Medina Police

Public Attendees:

none

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 minutes of the January 9, 2017 meeting and the February 6, 2017 Warrant Register for warrant numbers 151066 through 151096 (including # 151066 voided for printing error) in the amount of \$66,996.73. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Finnely.

Passed 5 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

Medina Police Department:

Chief Burns reported that January was a relatively quiet month. Police were well prepared to handle the snow that fell earlier in the day. The snow did cause a tree to fall over on Hunts Point Rd however crews from Bellevue Fire were able to quickly clear it from the roadway. The new security signs have been installed. Medina Police now have access to the WSDOT camera systems on the Medina Point Lid and are now working on a way to record the feeds. The Medina Police are in the process of filling a recent vacancy in the force. Until the position is filled, they will be a man down.

Staff

Clerk Treasurer Sue Ann Spens informed the Council that the State Auditor has started an audit of the Town's financial statements and supporting documentation for the period from 1/1/014 through 12/31/2015. The review is slated to be done by end of March. Following up on the LED Street Light Program, the Town is still waiting to hear back as to when the test light will be installed.

Bellevue Fire Department:

Report not received in time for meeting.

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

After last month's meeting, Town Attorney David Linehan looked further into possible tax deductions for donations. A donation to a local government entity is tax deductible if it is solely for "public purposes" (IRS Code, at 26 U.S.C. §170(c)(1)). While the IRS code doesn't specifically define "public purpose," it has been interpreted in part to mean that the contribution or gift must not be intended to benefit any particular individual. Council reviewed and discussed. The Council would like the donation form to include language that states all donations are for public use as well as a line to include the Town EIN number and treasurer's receipt number.

Motion: Pass Ordinance 528 authorizing the acceptance of donations for landscaping and Town beautification projects and amend the donation form to include the Town's EIN number, treasurer's receipt number and *"100% of funds will be for public purpose."*

Moved by Frantz, seconded by Finnely.

Passed 5 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR THE 2017 ARCH WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET AND PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR 2017 ARCH TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION – for approval

The Town of Hunts Point participates (along with 14 other Eastside cities and towns) in A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) to comply with the State Growth Management Act requiring cities and towns to provide for affordable housing. All of the participating cities make prorated contributions toward ARCH's administrative expenses, and many also make trust-fund

contributions toward specific affordable-housing projects on the Eastside. Each year, participating cities and towns must adopt a resolution to approve the annual ARCH administrative budget and work plan for projects proposed by ARCH. Council members reviewed the 2017 ARCH Work Plan and Budget.

Motion: Adopt Resolution No. 17-251 approving the 2017 Administrative Budget and Work Program. Adopt Resolution No. 17-252 authorizing the duly-appointed administering agency for ARCH to execute all documents necessary to enter into agreements for the funding of affordable housing projects, as recommended by the ARCH Executive Board, utilizing funds from the Town's Housing Trust Fund in a combined total amount not to exceed \$2,605. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Coles.

Passed 5 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i), the Council recessed to executive session at 6:27 pm to discuss the status of WSDOT negotiations. Session was to last 10 minutes. The Council reconvened at 6:36 pm. No action was taken.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Sabey informed the Council that the Medina City Council still hasn't finalized plans for the bike lane along 84th Ave NE however the City Council has decided that they will not be reducing lane width and will put the bike lane in the right-of-way and/ or remove the existing landscaping and pathway. The Clyde Hill City Council has begun discussing the ever increasing cut-through traffic problem and is looking into possible ways to alleviate or eliminate it during high commute hours. No progress has been made with WSDOT regarding joint noise on the new SR-520 Bridge.

COUNCIL REPORT

Beautification Committee Chair Dan Temkin reported that Town Engineer Stacia Schroder has completed her survey of the Town's utility boxes and pedestals. Mr. Temkin remarked that many of the boxes were in disrepair. He plans to meet with the Town Engineer and Town Attorney to discuss the Town's current Municipal Code and whether there are any mechanisms currently in place that would require the existing boxes and pedestals to be undergrounded.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 6:47 pm. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Coles.

Passed 5 – 0 – 0.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Addie Tych, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer