

**TOWN OF HUNTS POINT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, January 9, 2012
7:00 PM**



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fred McConkey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Ken Fisher
Kevin Hughes
Ted Frantz
Pat Finnely
Dan Temkin

Staff:

Sue Ann Spens, Finance Coordinator
Mona Green, Town Planner
Stacia Schroeder, Town Engineer
Margaret King, Town Attorney
Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Lt. Dan Yourkowski, Medina Police

Public Attendees:

Deanna Dawson, Executive Director, Suburban Cities Association
Don Gerend, Treasurer, Suburban Cities Association, Sammammish Council Member
Penny O'Byrne, Chair, Park Commission
John Torode, Chair, Planning Commission
Mike Heijer, Resident

SWEARING IN OF REELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER

The following reelected Council Member was sworn in by Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer:

Position 2 – Kevin Hughes

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Approve the Consent Calendar including the December 5, 2011 minutes and warrants, numbers 149022 through 149067 in the amount of \$111,747.06. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Fisher
Passed 5 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

Medina Police Dept.

Lt. Dan Yourkowski reported that there was no activity to report in December. He was asked regarding the progress on finding the individual who was involved in prior burglaries. He stated that they have information on a suspect and are looking for this individual. He was also asked about the incidence of coyotes in the area. He noted that there are more sightings of late. He also noted that the State won't do anything unless they are aggressive toward people. Residents can call the Police if they seem aggressive or unhealthy but they are usually gone by the time the Police respond.

Bellevue Fire Dept.

No report received

Fairweather Place Gate – Stacia Schroeder, Town Engineer

The Town Engineer researched the possibility and costs for installing a gate at the end of Fairweather Place. It was determined that it is legal to do so because it is on an easement. She has received one proposal which recommends a swing gate with a pedestrian gate at the end. The cost would be \$16,500 with additional costs to bring power to the area. She was asked to investigate the feasibility of a manual gate.

There was discussion as to whether or not the Council would support installation of the gate. There were suggestions to wait to see what kind of foot traffic there would be after the SR 520 construction was complete to determine the need for the gate. There was also discussion about obtaining Fairweather resident input as to their support for the project. It was suggested that the Fairweather Basin Boat Club put this matter in their next newsletter and discuss it at their next meeting. No action was taken by the Council.

SMP Pre APP Meeting Update – Mona Green, Town Planner

Ms. Green noted that she had sent the draft to our representative at the Department of Ecology and additional information that had been requested. No further information is available at this time as to status.

SUBURBAN CITIES ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION

Deanna Dawson, Executive Director and Don Gerend, Treasurer, representatives of the Suburban Cities Association made a presentation. They discussed the purpose of the

association and the advantage to the Town of membership and participation. They highlighted the monthly meeting of the public issues committee and the networking dinners. They also noted that they have training for newly elected officials at no cost to members. They also mentioned that they will be sending a survey to the Town and asked that a response be given to assist the organization in developing their strategic plan to better serve their members. Handouts on the organization were provided to the Council.

SR 520 ISSUES

Traffic Study

The Town hired the Transpo Company to look at the 84th traffic circle and make recommendations. The recommendations were reviewed by the Council. The Town Planner, Mona Green and representatives of the Transpo Company will attend the meetings with ECC/WSDOT to present and discuss their recommendations. The Town Planner will provide the Council with information on the response to the recommendations.

Sound Walls

Mayor McConkey and Councilmember Pat Finnely discussed the meeting they had with ECC and WSDOT regarding the current plans for the sound walls which is different than the original plans. There was discussion regarding the hearing examiner's report and its determinations. There was also discussion of a letter prepared by Town Attorney, Margaret King, to be sent to WSDOT on this matter.

RESOLUTION 12-221 REGARDING TOWN PARTICIPATION IN THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM

Sue Ann Spens, Finance Coordinator explained that at the time the Town joined the PERS system, we had the option to substitute PERS for Social Security. However the Town has been withholding Social Security from employees. The purpose of this resolution is to have the PERS records reflect that the Town is participating in Social Security. There is no additional financial cost to the Town as a result of this resolution.

MOTION: Approve Resolution 12-221 regarding Town participation in the Social Security System

Moved by Temkin, seconded by Hughes

Passed 5 - 0.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 12-222 RE: GIFT POLICY

The Council considered a proposed policy for accepting gifts. There was discussion on the section regarding contingencies on gifts. The Town Attorney will edit the proposed policy in line with the Council discussion. The matter was tabled for a future meeting.

**SHORELINE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 10-04 AND DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
SHORELINE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 147**

The Council discussed a letter received from WSDOT regarding issues with the permit and the hearing examiner's report. Councilmember Finnely discussed various issues as outlined in a Shoreline Approval Permit Features Table. The Town Attorney noted that the Council needs to determine priority of issues and what they consider a major change. The Town has some discretion in determining what is major but if a change is major that at least one public hearing must be held.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor provided a letter from WSDOT to the Town of Yarrow Point regarding proposed changes to the Yarrow Point Roundabout. If the changes are to be made then the Town of Yarrow Point must pay for the design changes and the Town of Hunts Point will have to agree. It is not known if Yarrow Point will pursue the matter so no action is needed at this time.

The Council adjourned to executive session at 9:00 PM to discuss legal matters.

The Council reconvened at 9:45 PM and no further business was conducted.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McConkey adjourned the meeting at 9:45 PM.

Linda Kroner
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Date