



REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chambers – 1300 First Street

March 15, 2023 at 7:00 PM

1. FLAG SALUTE - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Councilmember Candice Makos, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Miles Wenzel

Councilmember Robinson made a motion to excuse Councilmember Ancich and Carlisle. It was seconded by Councilmember Wenzel. Motion carried. Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Robinson, Councilmember Wenzel

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Wenzel to approve the agenda, Seconded by Councilmember Robinson.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Wenzel, Councilmember Robinson

4. Swear in New Officer and Police Clerk

Police Chief Layman swore in Officer Darrell Tevis and Police Clerk Kasey Grove

5. Budget History Presentation

Finance Director Pope and City Administrator Raines gave a budget history presentation for 2005 through 2023.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Linda Springer - She spoke in favor of the mental health navigator position.

Steve Davis - He spoke in favor of the mental health navigator position.

Cathy Shapansky - She emailed a letter of support for the mental health navigator position.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Makos, Seconded by Councilmember Robinson.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Wenzel, Councilmember Robinson

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Sub Committee - Councilmember Wenzel stated they discussed tonight's presentation. He stated we need to prepare for the rest of the year with the mill being down.

9. CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

City Administrator - He discussed people dumping brush and other items at Makarenko Park. We may have to close the compost program. He announced the Shorelines Master Program Periodic Review will have a public hearing on April 10th with AHBL and the Planning Commission. Linda

Springer asked to apply for grant funding for Lions Park. Councilmember Robinson made a motion to approve the request to apply for a grant to purchase playground equipment for Lions Park with City support. Councilmember Wenzel seconded. Councilmember Robinson made a motion to amend his original motion to include playground equipment and infrastructure. Councilmember Wenzel seconded. Amendment motion carried. Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Wenzel, Councilmember Robinson.

Finance - Director Pope reminded everyone to pick up their spring clean up vouchers. Spring Clean up is April 17th through the 22nd.

Police Chief - Hiring has been completed and hoping to reduce overtime hours. We have experienced a significant increase in fentanyl over doses.

Fire Chief - He stated that Volunteer Phil Simms is now an EMT. He said the first public forum regarding the RFA was held last night. Cosmopolis will hold a public forum on March 28th at 6:00 p.m. for the RFA. We onboarded Sandy Laird to help with administrative duties.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pauley reminded everyone that filing week is in May.

11. OLD BUSINESS

A. Mental Health Navigator Position

Chief Layman discussed the importance of the position. Lt Jeff Salstrom of the Hoquiam Police Department discussed the history of the position and what it entails. Lt. Salstrom stated there is nothing needed from the Council at this point in time. Cathy Shapansky spoke about her experience with the mental health navigator. Elena, the mental health navigator, spoke about her position.

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. HDR Amendment #1 - Mill Creek MOIP

Motion made by Councilmember Robinson to approve HDR Amendment #1, Seconded by Councilmember Makos.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Wenzel, Councilmember Robinson

B. RV Dwelling Permit - 1200 2nd St

Motion made by Councilmember Wenzel to approve the RV Dwelling Permit for 1200 2nd Street, Seconded by Councilmember Robinson.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Wenzel, Councilmember Robinson.

C. Water Meter Quote

Motion made by Councilmember Makos to approve the purchase of water meters for , Seconded by Councilmember Robinson.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Wenzel, Councilmember Robinson

13. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Makos thanked everyone for their presentation for the navigator position. She also spoke about the new water meters.

Councilmember Robinson welcomed the new officer and police clerk. He spoke in support of the navigator position.

Councilmember Wenzel thanked the officers for their help with the fentanyl overdoses. He also thanked everyone for their presentation regarding the navigator position. He also congratulated the new officer and police clerk.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Delong stated a boat has been parked on the street for months. Chief Layman stated he would speak to her about it after the meeting.

Cathy Shapansky thanked Linda Springer and Lt Salstrom for coming tonight and discussing the mental health navigator position.

Clay Retherford asked about the grass clippings down on Second St. Administrator Raines stated that is not being affected.

Nathan, 1200 Second St thanked the Council for approving the RV dwelling permit.

Linda Springer commented on the letter Mayor Pauley wrote regarding his support for the HOPE project to receive grant funding.