



REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chambers – 1300 First Street

July 20, 2022 at 7:00 PM

1. FLAG SALUTE - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

Councilmember Bridges emailed to state he would be late to the meeting. Councilmember Makos made a motion to excuse Councilmember Ancich. Councilmember Cummings seconded. Motion carried. Councilmember Cummings made a motion to rescind the motion to excuse Councilmember Ancich. Councilmember Makos seconded. Motion carried.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Wenzel

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Bridges

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Wenzel made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of an executive session to performance of a public employee and possible litigation to be added after Item 4 - Public Comments. Councilmember Cummings seconded.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Wenzel

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Bridges

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kim Gherna - Kim asked if this is something that we have done before or are we going to start allowing people to live in their RV. Administrator Raines stated that this is only allowed on a limited basis and has been done before. All requests must go through the Council and are only valid for 30 days.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pauley convened an Executive Session as authorized by RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for performance of a public employee and RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss potential litigation with legal counsel. He announced the session would take twenty minutes. The session started at 7:14 and the council meeting resumed at 7:34.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Cummings made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Makos seconded. Motion carried.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Wenzel

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Bridges

A. Claims Vouchers

B. Meeting Minutes - June 15, 2022 Council Meeting

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Sub Committee - Councilmember Wenzel stated that the committee discussed the financials through June 30th

8. CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

City Administrator - Administrator Raines stated the Request for Proposal for Landscaping did not generate any proposals. He would like to run the ad again. He asked for permission to apply for a grant from the Flood Authority for a joint project with Aberdeen and Hoquiam for a Comprehensive Stormwater Plan. The total cost of the project will be \$400,000 and we will totally be funded by the Flood Authority. Motion made by Councilmember Cummings, Seconded by Councilmember Ancich.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Wenzel

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Bridges

Finance Director - Director Pope stated that the Municode software for agenda management is now live. The new website is almost complete.

Public Work Superintendent - Superintendent Nations thanked all the volunteers who have helped with the planters on First and Second St. This month Public Works was unable to install any new meters. It is important that we find a way to fund a new hire.

Police Chief - Chief Stratton stated that there is a new addition to his department. Police Clerk Caitlyn had a baby girl in June.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pauley also thanked all of the volunteers who have helped clean up the planters on First and Second Street. On July 30th, there is a community clean up day scheduled. National Night Out is Tuesday August 2nd. Mayor Pauley will be holding an event on 6th and G Street. Mayor Pauley stated that Fire Chief Mark Tarabachia resigned due to personal reasons. He would like to name Darrin Raines as interim chief until a new chief can be found. Motion made by Councilmember Makos, Seconded by Councilmember Cummings. Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Wenzel Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Bridges

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. RV Dwelling Permit - 1724 Corbin St

Director Pope stated that she had spoken with Bill Sidor who stated that all utilities were available for the rv. He approved of the permit. The owners new home will be ready to move into within the next two weeks.

Motion made by Councilmember Makos, Seconded by Councilmember Cummings.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Wenzel

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Bridges

B. Consultant Agreement with HDR Engineering for the Mill Creek Multi Objective Plan Phase 2

Administrator Raines stated the funding for this is covered by grant from the Office of the Chehalis River Basin and Flood Authority. The amount not to exceed is \$142,009.

Motion made by Councilmember Wenzel, Seconded by Councilmember Ancich.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Wenzel

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Bridges

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Wenzel thanked Linda Springer for all of her hard work. He made a motion to authorize the city attorney to file a quo warranto against Councilmember Bridges due to him no longer being a registered voter in the State of Washington.

Motion made by Councilmember Wenzel, Seconded by Councilmember Makos.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Makos, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Ancich, Councilmember Wenzel

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Bridges

Councilmember Bridges read his letter of resignation to the Council.

Councilmember Ancich asked about GovDeals. Director Pope stated that we sold the old fire truck for \$2,077 and the other items will appear on the site soon.

Mayor Pauley stated that with the resignation of Councilmember Bridges we now have a vacant seat. The City will accept letters of interest until August 10, 2022. The Council will select a new member at the next Council meeting on August 17, 2022.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Daniel King - Mr. King stated that the City needs to get the old Fire Department back instead of paying Aberdeen \$20,000 a month to do their job.

Ashley & Lindsey Arcangel - They asked again for the City's assistance with the issue on Ocean Avenue and the retaining wall that their neighbors have put up. They have been asking the City to uphold the IFC codes that pertain to fire apparatus access on the city streets.

Steve Davis - Mr. Davis stated that the City recently hired the son of a City employee. He stated the job was not posted. He stated that he believes all jobs should be advertised.

Kim Gherna - She stated that the stormwater charge on the utility bill is a tax and then we charge utility tax on top of it. She feels it is double taxation.

Susan Robinson - She commented about people speeding on Stanford Drive.