



**CITY OF HOQUIAM
Council Meeting Minutes**

October 22, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Durney called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Councilmember Lund led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Those in attendance were Mayor Durney and Councilmembers Cross, Dickhoff, Grimnes, Grun, Haugen, Houchens, Hyde, Lund, McMillan, Miller and Pellegrini. Absent from the meeting was Councilmember Moir.

Staff in attendance were Fire Chief Ray Pumphrey, Police Chief Jeff Myers, City Attorney Steve Johnson, City Administrator Brian Shay, Finance Director Mike Folkers and Council Secretary Tracy Wood.

Proclamation

Council was presented with a proclamation from Governor Gregoire's office declaring October 21-27, 2007, as Adult Literacy Week in the State of Washington.

COMMUNICATIONS

**History of Redistricting of
Council Wards**

Included in each Council packet was a letter from Mr. Ron Tibbetts concerning the Ward 3 council position. Mr. Tibbetts provided some history on the ward redistricting that was done in 2002.

**Elton Bennett Prints
Donated to Library**

A letter was received from City Librarian Mary Thornton concerning a request from the Friends of the Library concerning three donated Elton Bennett prints. All three had some damage and need to be re-matted and framed with archival materials. There is also one other print that is in worse damage. The estimated cost of the repairs will be approximately \$1,000 and they are asking that the city pay for these restoration costs. Councilmember McMillan moved that this request be referred to the Regulatory Committee for their review and recommendation. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

**Invitation to Senior Center
1st Year Anniversary Open
House**

An invitation was included in the packets for the 1st Year anniversary of the Senior Center on November 1st from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Request to Help Purchase
Tables – Hoquiam Sr.**

A letter was received from the Hoquiam Senior Center asking the City to assist them in purchasing new tables for the senior



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Center

lunch room. They are asking the city to sponsor a table at the cost of \$200.00. Councilmember Hyde asked that council consider this request and he moved to approve this request. The motion was seconded. The City Attorney said it would be appropriate if the council and staff would like to make donations to this, but not to use City funds. Councilmember Hyde withdrew his motion. Staff will be notified this week.

**Support for
Councilmember Moir**

Ms. Kay Diehm, 2622 Sumner, Hoquiam, stated that she thinks it is terrible what is happening with Councilmember Moir. She hopes that something can be worked out.

**Enforcement of Nuisance
Laws Against Ocean
Protein**

Mr. Tom Coyle, 2219 Aberdeen Avenue, asked if the City is still firmly against not enforcing the nuisance law against Ocean Protein. The City Attorney has issued his opinion. Has the Police Chief been told not to enforce the nuisance law in regard to Ocean Protein. Mayor Durney stated he has not had a conversation with him. Mr. Coyle also asked about the donations being taken at Bank of Pacific. What are these for. Mayor Durney stated that this account is for the Skateboard Park at John Gable Park. Mr. Coyle asked why the Chief of Police has not enforced the nuisance laws.

Ward Boundaries

Mr. Chet Miller, 2512 Aberdeen Avenue, Hoquiam, spoke briefly concerning the Ward boundaries. He had problems in the past finding out who his ward representatives were due to the redistricting. Now we are having the same problem Councilmember Moir.

Decrease in Gambling Tax

Mr. Joe Veloni, 425 Gale, Hoquiam, stated that he had come to the Council about a year ago requesting a decrease in the Gambling Tax. This request was referred to the Regulatory Committee. He would like to know what decision the Regulatory Committee made on this request. Councilmember McMillan stated that at the time it was considered, they chose not to do anything with the tax at that time. Mr. Veloni stated that gambling is gambling and if Mr. Burgess decides to move over here and gets a break on cards, they should get a break on their gambling also. He also referred to Ocean Protein and the smell. He said that he did call the fire department, they came down, but the smell was gone. Within a-half an hour, the smell was back but the fire department was gone. He doesn't



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feel Ocean Protein should be allowed to keep operating this way.

Hometown Hoquiam

Mr. Scott Wehr, Aberdeen Avenue, stated that he had attended the Hometown Hoquiam Phase II meeting a few weeks ago. He wanted to personally thank everyone who was there from the City supporting this. He really saw a lot of positive things and he is very excited about staying and working here in Hoquiam.

Old Eagles Building

Mr. Joe Veloni, spoke to the Council regarding the possible location of Sidney's at the old Eagles building. He does not feel the Burgess establishment should be allowed in there as the school board had already turned down having a liquor store in the same building.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Hyde moved to approve items a through c on the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded. Those items appearing on the consent agenda were as follows:

- The minutes of the October 8, 2007 council minutes;
- The Regulatory Committee report recommending approval and payment of claim check numbers 62047 through 6205 in the amount of \$193.86; claim check numbers 62501 through 62241 in the amount of \$382,213.39; and claim check numbers 62040 through 62046 in the amount of \$107,273.14;
- A progress payment request for Coyle Construction in the amount of \$35,698 for work completed on Olympic Stadium.

Councilmember McMillan asked that the date on the minutes be changed to October 8, 2007. The motion for approval passed by voice vote.

OFFICERS REPORTS

**Asphalt Overlay –
Broadway Avenue**

Mr. Shay provided a written report regarding bid submittal for asphalt overlay on Broadway between and including the two areas recently repaired to stabilize the road. One bid was received by Lakeside Industries in the amount of \$24,960. Staff recommendation is that the City award the bid to



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Lakeside. Councilmember McMillan moved to accept the bid. The motion was seconded. Councilmember Pellegrini asked what the total length of the repairs would be. Mr. Shay explained that it started at the dip to the other repair area. Councilmember Grun asked why there was no sales tax on the bid. Lakeside is exempt from sales tax on a street overlay. The motion for approval to award the bid to Lakeside was passed by voice vote.

Asphalt Overlay – Train Depot

Mr. Shay provided a written report regarding bid submittal for an asphalt overlay of the west parking lot of the Train Depot from Lakeside Industries for \$21,118.50; and for Change Order, #4, for storm drainage, site work improvements for the paving and 225 feet of new sidewalk in relationship to the west parking lot. The total cost for the change order is \$43,680. Total cost for both projects will be \$64,798.50. There will be an additional request for interior improvements required by DOL. The paving and interior improvement costs can be recaptured through the annual lease of \$45,000. At the time of the bid award, Council had set aside an additional \$48,382.00 for change orders to complete the interior and exterior of the building. Excluding the work required to lease the building to DOL, we are within that budget. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the report. The motion was seconded. Councilmember Lund spoke regarding the fire alarm system and asked why this was not included in the original bid. He also asked why sheetrock changes were not included. He would like to see this held out. Mr. Shay explained that we had a 5% contingency that was set aside for these types of changes. The alarms could be put out on a separate bid. Councilmember Grimnes moved to table the issue on the fire alarm upgrade until the next meeting. The motion was seconded. Motion to table the fire alarm and sheetrock change order passed by voice vote. The main motion to approve the other items presented passed by voice vote.

**Set Public Hearing –
Assessment of Abatement
Costs**

Staff requests that council set a public hearing for assessing the abatement costs for 317 M Street. They request a hearing date of November 26, 2007. Councilmember McMillan moved to set that hearing date. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.



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**Appointment to Civil
Service Commission**

Mayor Durney asked for council concurrence for the appointment of Pete Hegg to the Civil Service Commission Board. Mr. Hegg will replace Jim Wrey who will resign on November 1st. Councilmember McMillan moved for confirm this appointment. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

LEGAL BUSINESS

Ordinances

Ad Valorem Tax

An Ordinance relating to Ad Valorem Tax; setting and levying the ad valorem tax levies for the General Fund, Ambulance Fund and the payment of bonded indebtedness of the City of Hoquiam for fiscal year 2008. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded. Mr. Folkers explained that we are capped at \$3.60 on our levy rate and it will remain at the \$3.60. Mr. Folkers read the ordinance by title a second time after which the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Parking

An Ordinance relating to the regulation of parking of vehicles on City streets or alleys; adding a new Section 7.60.110 to Chapter 7.60 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption. The motion was seconded. Mr. Folkers read the ordinance by title a second time after which the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Adopting the 2006 Edition
International Building
Code**

An Ordinance relating to building regulations; adopting the "International Building Code," 2006 Edition and the "International Residential Code," 2006 Edition; and amending Section 2.08.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading, passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Adopting the 2006 Edition
of the International
Mechanical Code**

An Ordinance relating to building regulations; adopting the "International Mechanical Code," 2006 Edition; and amending Section 2.23.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember Pellegrini moved for approval of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading, passed by unanimous roll call vote.



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**Adopting the 2006 Edition
of the International Fire
Code**

An Ordinance relating to building regulations; adopting the “International Fire Code” 2006 Edition; and amending Section 2.38.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption of this ordinance. The motion was seconded and following a brief discussion, the Ordinance was read by title a second time after which the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Adopting the 2006 Edition
of the Uniform Plumbing
Code**

An Ordinance relating to building regulations; adopting the “Uniform Plumbing Code,” 2006 Edition; and amending Section 2.16.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the ordinance and the motion was seconded. Following its second reading the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 1 with Councilmember Pellegrini voting no.

**Adopting the 2006
Washington State Energy
Code**

An Ordinance relating to building regulations; adopting the 2006 Washington State Energy Code; and amending Section 2.10.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded. Councilmember Grun stated that there were certainly a lot of codes to remember. Following the second reading of the ordinance, the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Adopting the 2006
Washington State
Ventilation and Air Quality
Code**

An Ordinance relating to building regulations; adopting the 2006 Washington State Ventilation and Air Quality Code; and amending Section 2.36.010 of the Hoquiam Municipal Code. Councilmember McMillan moved for adoption of the ordinance. The motion was seconded and following its second reading, the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolutions

**Property Tax Revenues for
EMS**

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam, Washington, determining that the City of Hoquiam requires an increase in property tax revenue for emergency medical services from the previous year and further requiring a majority vote by the City Council of Hoquiam. Councilmember McMillan moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded. Following a brief discussion on the



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length of the levy (six years). The city is currently in its third year of this levy.

Increase in Property Tax

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hoquiam, Washington, determining that the City of Hoquiam requires an increase in property tax revenue from the previous year and further requiring a majority vote by the City Council of Hoquiam. Councilmember McMillan moved for the adoption. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Other Legal

**Stadium Use Agreement –
Youth Football**

Council was presented with a Stadium Use Agreement between the City of Hoquiam and the Youth Football Organization for use of a room at the Stadium for storage of their equipment and also for use of the field for scheduling of games. The cost for the storage is \$250 for the year and the organization will pay \$250 per day use of the field. Councilmember McMillan made a motion to adopt the agreement. The motion was seconded. A question was raised whether this would put a hardship on the league. Mr. Shay stated that Ms. Wood had had discussions with the league representative and they agreed to these terms. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Fire Alarm – Train Depot

Councilmember Lund moved to take the issue of the fire alarm on the depot from the table. The motion was seconded and the issue was removed from the table. A motion was made to put this portion out for bid. The motion was seconded. Mr. Shay stated that he would suggest council have Tom from Street/Lundgren answer specific questions regarding the alarm system. Councilmember Lund stated he was still of the belief that the Architect should pay for this since they left it out of the package. The motion to put this out for bid passed by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Committee Meetings

It was announced that the Public Safety Committee will meet on November 5th at the Fire Station at 5:30 p.m.

It was announced that the Public Utilities Committee will meet on Thursday, October 25th at 6:00 p.m.



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Vacant Police Positions

Councilmember McMillan stated that the Police Department has been testing and interviewing for their vacant positions. He made a motion to hire two new officers from the current list. The motion was seconded. The question was raised as to whether these positions were budgeted. Councilmember McMillan stated that they could submit a supplemental budget or it could be taken from the year end funds.

DOL – Improvements to Train Depot

Councilmember Houchens asked for an explanation on the letter of intent requirements concerning phone service at the Depot. Mr. Shay explained that the phone service is not the monthly phone service, but to get the lines/phone service to the building only. DOL would be responsible for the monthly phone bill.

Bottled Water from Plant

Councilmember McMillan spoke regarding the water system. He asked that the Watershed Committee look into the possibility of having a bottling plant at our facility or look into a company that would come in a bottle water from the plant. He made a motion to send to Watershed Committee for their review and recommendation. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Eagles Building and Ward Boundaries

Councilmember Hyde spoke regarding Sidney's possible move to Simpson Plaza. Eagles were in that building for 45 years in the Simpson Plaza. He also spoke regarding Mr. Chet Miller's comments earlier in the meeting regarding his council representative. Because of all of the changes that were made to the boundaries for wards – he will admit that he was confused on the ward boundaries when Mr. Miller approached him.

Council Meeting Dates

Due to the holiday on November 12th, the next scheduled meeting of the council will not be until November 26th. Councilmember McMillan stated that the Council could call a special meeting to consider the bids for the alarm system for train depot.

Excuse Absent Members

Councilmember McMillan moved to excuse the absent member. The motion was seconded and passed by voice voice.



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ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember McMillan moved to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

JACK DURNEY – MAYOR

TRACY WOOD, CMC – Council Secretary