

CITY OF BLAINE
344 H Street
Blaine, WA 98230
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, September 10, 2007

7:00 PM

A. Study Session – 6:00pm – Fee Deferrals for Manufacturing and Wharf District

6:47pm – Treatment Plant Architectural Design

Present: Ken Ely, Charlie Hawkins, John Liebert, Mike Myers, Bonnie Onyon, Jason Overstreet

Adjourned: 6:55pm

B. CALL TO ORDER – 7:03pm

- MOMENT OF SILENCE
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, lead by new US Citizen Cheryl Fischer
- ROLL CALL: Ken Ely, Charlie Hawkins, John Liebert, Mike Myers, Bonnie Onyon, Jason Overstreet
- Staff Present: Gary Tomsic, City Manager; Terry Galvin, Community Development Director; Mike Haslip, Public Safety Director; Steve Banham, Public Works Director; Meredith Riley, Finance Director; Sheri Sanchez, City Clerk

C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Sign-up/Comment Forms in Foyer of City Hall

1. Introduction of New Employee – Denise O’Donnell, Office Specialist.
2. Introduction of Barbara Fischer, Director of Blaine Senior Center.
3. Proclamation – Responsible Dog Ownership Month – presented to Diane Palmason.
4. Trevor Hoskins, 8686 Great Horned Owl Lane, Blaine - regarding airport land sale price and email from Lincoln Rutter.
5. Jason Burke, 1460 Madison, Blaine – requesting a variance or waiver on connections.

D. CITY MANAGER AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Lighthouse Point Update – Steve Banham reported – regarding USDA rural development comments received, review of bridge and landscaping, and Department of Ecology application.
2. State & Federal Projects – Steve Banham reported – concrete work to be done by November, work being done on final paving of 14th and 12th Streets, GSA Peace Arch facility will be late November/December for cut over, Banham will meet regarding traffic coordination.
3. Major Projects Update – Terry Galvin reported – no major projects. However, Terry Galvin requested a clarification from City Council regarding Comprehensive Plan Docket for Manufacturing to Commercial zoning amendment. Staff recommends moving forward with rezoning. The City Council gave their nod.
4. Finance and Court Employee Update – Meredith Riley reported – Mary Cazabon is retiring at the end of September. Raylene Heutink-King has been hired as Court Clerk, and Denise O’Donnell has been hired to fill the Office Specialist position vacated by Raylene.
5. Meeting with Representative Doug Ericksen – Gary Tomsic reported – it was a good meeting and included council members, staff and State delegates.

E. PUBLIC HEARING (MEETING)

1. None

F. COMMISSION, COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

1. Planning Commission – Jeff Arntzen reported – Work Session was held on Hearing Examiner on August 29, and another one will be held on September 12. Title 17 code amendment work session was on September 5, to be followed by another one on September 15. Upcoming are the Wharf District master plan and a conditional use permit for old Masonic Lodge to be used as a church.
2. Airport Commission - None
3. BTAC - None

4. Park & Cemetery - None

5. Ad Hoc - None

G. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letters from Dennis Olason dated August 29, 2007, and September 4, 2007
2. Fax from Joel Douglas dated September 5, 2007

H. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed below have been distributed to Council members in advance for study and will be enacted by one motion. If separate discussion is desired on an item, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.

1. Approval of Bills – Amount: \$ 481,878.10
(Note: The amount was adjusted down to \$479,610.78 to correct a duplicate invoice.)
2. Approval of August Payroll – Amount \$ 417,453.71
3. Approval of August 27, 2007, City Council Minutes

MOTION MADE BY KEN ELY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, SECONDED BY CHARLIE HAWKINS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 6 - 0

I. COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

1. Ordinance 2678-07, Title 13 Amendments to Fee Deferrals – Presented by Gary Tomsic
2. Ordinance 2679-07, Title 15 Amendments to Fee Deferrals – Presented by Gary Tomsic

MOTION MADE BY BONNIE ONYON TO APPROVE TITLE 13 AND TITLE 15 AMENDMENTS TO FEE DEFERRAL ORDINANCES TO INCLUDE THE CENTRAL BUSINESS-WHARF DISTRICT, BUT EXCLUDE THE CITY'S MANUFACTURING ZONES, SECONDED BY KEN ELY AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 6 - 0

3. Award Bid for Recoating of Lincoln Tank – Presented by Steve Banham

MOTION MADE BY CHARLIE HAWKINS TO WAIVE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL PAINTING'S IRREGULARITY AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$104,964.81, INCLUDING SALES TAX, ON CONFIRMATION THAT NO BID PROTEST HAS BEEN FILED WITHIN THE TIME ALLOTTED, SECONDED BY KEN ELY, AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 6 - 0

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

K. COUNCIL NEW BUSINESS - None

L. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

1. John Liebert asked if Council was interested in engaging Youth in Government day. Council and staff are interested.
2. John Liebert asked about campaigning in the Semiahmoo area and was advised to check with them.
3. John Liebert mentioned a meeting last week by local merchants and discussion about the change of name from Drayton Harbor to Blaine Harbor.

M. ADJOURN – 8:00pm

Mayor

City Clerk