

March 7, 2011

The REGULAR Meeting of the Woodland City Council was held on the above date at the Woodland City Hall, Council Chambers, 100 Davidson Avenue, Woodland WA. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Blum at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Councilmember John Burke
Councilmember Marilee McCall
Councilmember Aaron Christopherson
Councilmember Susan Humbyrd
Councilmember Benjamin Fredricks
Councilmember Al Swindell
Councilmember Darwin Rounds

Absent: None

Also Present: Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Gina Anderson
Police Chief Rob Stephenson
Public Works Director Steve Branz
City Attorney Bill Eling
Fire Chief Mike Jackson
Community Development Planner Carolyn Johnson

CITIZEN INPUT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Noel Johnson, PO 1955, commented that the trees at exit 21 were chopped down not trimmed. Perhaps the City could talk to DOT.

Tammy Howard, Chamber of Commerce- distributed a handout to Council for a Woodland Farmers Market proposal. She requested input, not necessarily tonight, from the Council about having a Farmers Market in Horseshoe Lake Park on Friday evenings starting after Planters Day through September 2011. The Market would start at 3:00 p.m. and end at 7:00 p.m. when Hot Summer Nights begins. The Chamber has insurance to cover the event.

I. PRESENTATION

Columbia River Crossing Project – Columbia River Coalition by Therese Lee and Columbia River Project Manager by Don Wagner

3.2 – 3.6 Billion, 3 month work window due to endangered species in the river, 10 lanes, 6 years, 20,000 construction jobs, supports economic growth, eases congestion, improves safety, protects the environment, treat 115% of water that falls on the project, 2010 – 2011 public outreach, 2012 final design, 2013 soonest construction could begin, 2018 I-5 Bridge opens. Local Match – tolls 1/3 federal, 1/3 states, 1/3 local – variable \$2.50 peak to \$1.00. Under cost the tolls will go down, Over cost the tolls will go up. Time frame 25 -30 year bonded debt

Discussion followed in regards to a proposed draft resolution of the City Council.
Councilmember Christopherson asked this be placed on the next council agenda for March 21st.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Blum stated that Public Works requested action item H, authorize acceptance of USDA Rural Development Housing Services (RHS) loan for Woodland library be pulled from the agenda as additional paperwork needs to be done.

Councilmember Christopherson moved to approve the agenda without action item H and with action item I, approve 2011 Business Survey and authorize Clerk-Treasurer to distribute.

Councilmember Humbyrd seconded the motion.

Yes: Burke, McCall, Christopherson, Humbyrd, Fredricks, Swindell, Rounds No: None Abstain: None. (7-0)

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III. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

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| Clerk/Treasurer | - | Special meeting/workshop: March 14, 2011, 7:00 p.m. re: Transportation Benefit District by Berk & Associates |
| | - | Joint Planning Commission and City Council meeting March 16, 2011, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center |
| | - | Accepting applications for Citizen Communication Ad Hoc Committee (seeking 5 members) |
| Public Works | - | USDA awarded \$1.6 million loan for the library ; deferred to a future meeting for additional paperwork |
| Planning | - | Next meeting March 16 th Joint meeting with City Council and also the WA State Gambling Commission will be there to make a presentation on card room rules & regulations. |
| | - | Letter to Senator Maria Cantwell regarding Dike Certification. Letters will be done and sent jointly (Chamber, Port and City) |
| Attorney | - | Status of 208 Buckeye matter |
| | - | Purchase of Scott Hill Park Land |

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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| Human Resources/
Government | - Susan Humbyrd | - Met March 3 rd at 5:30 pm and discussed negotiations with IIAF, performance evaluations, public records management, 2011 goals & priorities; |
| | | - Next meeting March 31 st |
| Finance | - Benjamin Fredricks | - Meeting rescheduled to March 14 th , 5:00 p.m. |
| Public Safety | - Marilee McCall | - Met March 7 th and discussed not fixing fire boat, EMS |

- agreement with Clark Fire District 2, CBA certification, physicals, Homeland Security Grant for 2 radios for Police and Grant for Sprinkler system
 - Next meeting March 21st, 5:30 p.m.
 - Next meeting March 8th, 5:30 p.m.
 - WSDOT pump
 - Recap of Fish & Wildlife Meeting: don't know when the carp reading will take place, potential buildup in the lake, unsafe situation from swimmers urinating in the lake and state has acquired some water quality testing equipment
 - Next meeting March 10th
 - Next meeting March 16th, 5:00 p.m.
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| Public Utilities | - Al Swindell |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horseshoe Lake Mgmt | - Tom Golik |
| Parks/Recreation | - Aaron Christopherson |

AD HOC COMMITTEES

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| Cowlitz Wahkiakum Council of Governments | Susan Humbyrd | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feb 2011 newsletter - Next Meeting March 24th - 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting to be rescheduled |
| AWC/Legislative | Al Swindell | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting in Toledo discussed sidewalks and transportation issues |
| Chamber of Commerce | Tammy Howard | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legislative Phone Calls every Tuesday morning at 7:30 a.m. - March 8th, Joe Zarelli - Golf Tournament - Farmers Market Proposal - After Hours: March 24th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Fat Moose and April 21st from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Holland America Bulb Farm with business showcase |
| Downtown Revitalization | Tom Golik | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Next meeting March 8th, 9:00 a.m. |
| Woodland Quality Community Coalition | Marilee McCall | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Next meeting April 20th, 6:00 p.m. at Community Center |

Council recessed at 8:35 p.m. and reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

CITIZEN INPUT FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Darlene Johnson , stated that 1) Oak Tree Rotary fundraiser event (John Denver / Ted) raised \$5,000 for the new park and 2) she hopes that the Council doesn't take action on the Columbia Crossing project without talking to the local citizens and our legislators. Also need further information on the issues with light rail and tolls. Discussion ensued about a proposed resolution for a future meeting.

Jill Rourke, Communities Library Director, Fort Vancouver Regional Library, deferred her remarks to a later time when it is back on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items C, D and E were removed.

- A. Approve Claims Voucher warrants 41229 through 41300 for the month of February, 2011 in the amount of \$118,096.54 and warrants 29336 through 29353 for the month of February, 2011 in the amount of \$278,770.36 for a Grand Total of \$396,867.61.
- B. Approval of minutes of February 22 and 28, 2011
- C. Authorize use of Hoffman Plaza and closure of Davidson Avenue for Memorial Day and Veteran's Day celebrations by VFW and authorize fee waiver; subject to proof of insurance and conditions of Fire/Police Department.
- F. Confirm Mayor's appointment of Judge Ronald S. Marshall to Cowlitz County District Court to Woodland Municipal Court.

Councilmember Swindell moved to approve consent agenda items A, B, F & G. Councilmember Christopherson seconded the motion.

Yes: Burke, McCall, Christopherson, Humbyrd, Fredricks, Swindell, Rounds No: None Abstain: None. (7-0)

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Action C) Excuse absence of Councilmember Christopherson from February 22, 2011 Council meeting.

Councilmember Humbyrd moved to excuse absence of Councilmember Christopherson from the February 22, 2011 Council meeting. Councilmember McCall seconded the motion. Discussion ensued.

Yes: McCall, Humbyrd, Fredricks, Swindell, Rounds No: Burke Abstain: Christopherson. (5-1)

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Action D) Authorize use of Horseshoe Lake and facilities by Pacific Newfoundland water dog club on September 17-18, 2011 subject to fees of \$200 plus deposit and proof of insurance.

Councilmember Fredricks moved to approve use of Horseshoe Lake and facilities by Pacific Newfoundland water dog club on September 17-18, 2011 subject to fees of \$200 plus \$50 deposit and proof of insurance. Councilmember Christopherson seconded the motion. Discussion ensued.

Yes: Burke, McCall, Christopherson, Humbyrd, Fredricks, Swindell, Rounds No: None Abstain: None. (7-0)

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Action E) Authorize use of Horseshoe Lake facilities for Special Event by G. Loomis on July 30, 2011 subject to fees of \$200 plus deposit and proof of insurance.

Councilmember Burke moved to approve use of Horseshoe Lake facilities for Special Event by G. Loomis on July 30, 2011 subject to fees of \$200 plus \$50 deposit and proof of insurance. Councilmember Christopherson seconded the motion. Discussion ensued.

Yes: Burke, McCall, Christopherson, Humbyrd, Fredricks, Swindell, Rounds No: None Abstain: None. (7-0)

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Action I) Move to approve 2011 Business Survey and authorize Clerk-Treasurer to distribute

Councilmember Christopherson moved to approve 2011 Business Survey and authorize Clerk-Treasurer to distribute. Councilmember Humbyrd seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Discussion on distribution to the Chamber of Commerce newsletter and to the Port and encourage businesses to use the Survey Monkey link, but a paper copy can also be obtained. It was suggested to have a paper copy available at the Holland America After-Hours. Discussion on the time frame for the distribution; in-city and out-of-city businesses.

Yes: Burke, McCall, Christopherson, Humbyrd, Fredricks, Swindell, Rounds No: None Abstain: None. (7-0)

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Action J) Assign Councilmember Rounds to the following Standing Committees: Public Utilities and Parks and Recreation

Councilmember Fredricks moved to assign Councilmember Rounds to the following Standing Committees: Public Utilities and Parks and Recreation. Councilmember McCall seconded the motion. Yes: Burke, McCall, Christopherson, Humbyrd, Fredricks, Swindell, Rounds No: None Abstain: None. (7-0)

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The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Charles E Blum, Mayor

Minutes approved: March 21, 2011

Attest: _____
Georgina D. Anderson, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

These minutes are not a verbatim record of the proceedings.
A recording is available in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer