

POULSBO CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Erickson; Councilmembers Henry, Lord, McGinty, Musgrove, Nystul, Stern.

Staff: Finance Director Booher, City Clerk Fernandez, Public Works Superintendent Lund, IT Senior Technician Williamson.

ABSENT: Councilmember Thomas

MAJOR BUSINESS ITEMS

- * * * Recitation of the 1855 Chief Seattle Speech to Governor Isaac Stevens at Point Elliott
- * * * Sacrifice of Service Proclamation
- * * * Approval of July 12, 2017, Council Minutes
- * * * Approval of July 19, 2017, Council Minutes
- * * * Approval of August 2, 2017, Council Minutes
- * * * Approval of August 9, 2017, Council Minutes
- * * * Ida's Fountain – Creation of a Design Committee
- * * * Public Hearing for Resolution No. 2017-12, Disposal of Proprietary Surplus Goods
- * * * Authorize Disposal of Surplus Goods
- * * * Approval to Increase Public Works Fleet

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Erickson called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Erickson noted that Business Item 6D will be moved up before Business Item 6B.

Motion: Move the approve the agenda with said amendment.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Stern, **Seconded by** McGinty.

Motion carried.

3. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Ms. Elizabeth Druin said she was disappointed that she received no response to her email request to the Council regarding the sale of puppies that come out of puppy mills. She said this issue is very important to her. She spoke in support of the Council adopting

an ordinance to ban the sale of animals that come out of a puppy mill before it becomes problem in our backyard.

Mr. Glenn Gilbert spoke regarding a house being built on north edge of the cemetery that is within four feet of the fence. He feels this appears to be a violation of the code. He would like a stop work order issued.

Mayor Erickson responded that what is happening with that property is the result of an old code. It is called the Planned Unit Development (PUD) Code that has been changed. For a period of time, there were PUDs allowed in the City. Snowberry Bungalows is one of those, as is Caldart Heights and several other subdivisions. When they had the building moratorium in 2007, they went back and changed the code so that type of development is no longer allowed in the City of Poulsbo, but there were several developments that used that code and were allowed reduced setbacks. That is what is being seen there at that development. She asked Mr. Gilbert to come and see her and she could explain the codes in more detail.

4. MAYOR'S REPORT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- a. Recitation of the 1855 Chief Seattle Speech to Governor Isaac Stevens at Point Elliott

Councilmember Stern noted he attended the Tribal Council meeting on August 28 with Councilmember Henry and Mayor Erickson, and they presented the AWC publication "City Vision", which highlighted the relationship between the Suquamish Tribe and the City of Poulsbo. The City has been engaging in an ongoing relationship with the Suquamish Tribe formally and in sharing celebrations and cultural activity. Chief Seattle Days begins every year with an honoring at the grave site of Chief Seattle. There is a remarkable event which is in the form of Bob George, who is able to recite by heart the speech given by Chief Seattle to Territorial Governor Stevens in 1855 at the signing of the treaty with the federal government. He also shared an article that NK Herald Reporter Asla did on the George family.

Port Madison Enterprises President Greg George introduced his uncle, Suquamish Tribal Elder Bob George Sr., who recited the 1855 Chief Seattle speech to Governor Stevens.

Mayor Erickson said the City of Poulsbo and the Suquamish Tribe are best friends, and they are joined at the hip with the love of this place. Many years that was not true. It was not until just recently that we began to understand what they have been saying for a long time. She thanked him for this gift tonight.

Councilmember Lord thanked Suquamish Tribal Elder Bob George coming to recite the speech. She has been honored to have heard him recite it two times in the last three weeks. It is always fresh to hear it again. She knows it comes from his heart.

Councilmember McGinty thanked him for coming. He said the speech really makes people think about what is going on in the world and appreciate what we have. It is nature that takes care of us and we need to respect that.

Councilmember Henry said he is pretty quiet, because he has learned early in the relationship to keep your mouth shut, and your ears wide open, and you will learn a lot, things you couldn't even imagine. He appreciated the speech and thanked him for sharing.

Councilmember Musgrove said he was humbled by the speech. He appreciates what he has done for so many with something so simple. That may be part of the message he was sending. He is happy this is recorded so that our children can watch this.

Councilmember Nystul said one of the lessons we can learn is the wisdom in the speech, looking at the world and to think it was that long ago, and how many of those things are more applicable today.

Mayor Erickson announced that they are going to honor one of the City's elders who has worked so very hard for the City of Poulsbo for so many years with consciousness, grace, love, strength, humor, quizzicalness, affection, and caring. Mr. Henry is going to celebrate his 80th birthday, and so the Council wished him a happy birthday.

Councilmember Henry said he was overwhelmed. He did not expect this.

Suquamish Tribal Chairman Leonard Forsman wished Councilmember Henry happy birthday. When he was first elected, he was pretty bold with approaching the Tribe, and bringing the Council the great news that we were going to establish a relationship. It was a spark that he lit. He thanked him on behalf of the Suquamish Tribe for all of the work that he put in. He thanked the Council for honoring their elder with the Chief Seattle speech. He thanked the Council for attending the Chief Seattle gravesite memorial. He complimented the City for some of things they have done for stormwater, growth management, and looking out for Liberty Bay.

At 7:25pm, the Council took a 10-minute break, and continued the meeting at 7:35pm.

Mayor's Report and Council Comments Continued:

Mayor Erickson said there is a Sacrifice of Service Proclamation regarding September 11 in the packet.

Mayor Erickson invited everyone to attend Lokalfest this Saturday starting 11am at the Waterfront Park. Kids Day is going the same day from 11am-2pm at First Security Bank. She announced the opening of Western Red, the fifth brew pub in Poulsbo.

Councilmember Musgrove mentioned the Parks & Recreation newsletter was sent out. He was excited by the news that the Kitsap Master Gardener Program that had 511 children who participated in the program. It is cool what goes on in Poulsbo. The City newsletter also came out and is on the City's website.

Councilmember Lord said tomorrow is the Friends of the Poulsbo Cemetery meeting and it is going to be at the 2nd floor conference from 1pm-3pm. She also reported she met with Parks & Recreation Director McCluskey and Connie Lamont, and they picked out colors for the new restroom at the Waterfront Park.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Musgrove asked for a minor change for clarification in the July 19, 2017, minutes on page 11. His comment was not very clear about his suggestion to change the name of the new waterfront park once it is completed.

Motion: Move to approve Consent Agenda items a through d with minor modifications to 5b regarding changing the name of the waterfront park.

The items listed are:

- a. Approval of July 12, 2017, Council Minutes
- b. Approval of July 19, 2017, Council Minutes
- c. Approval of August 2, 2017, Council Minutes
- d. Approval of August 9, 2017, Council Minutes

Action: Approve, **Moved by** McGinty, **Seconded by** Nystul.
Motion carried.

6. **BUSINESS AGENDA**

- a. **Ida's Fountain – Creation of a Design Committee**

Mayor Erickson presented the agenda summary, noting in front of the old city hall, a fountain was dedicated to Ida Knudson in late 1960's. According to an Aug. 21, 1968 news article "the fountain will be erected as a tribute to the late Mrs. Ida Knudson, wife of George Knudson who had been active in dozens of civic organizations." When the City moved into the new city hall, a promise was made that the fountain would be replaced. The old fountain had fallen into disrepair, but the plaque was saved so that it could be placed on a new fountain located at the new city hall. A citizens' group will be formed to evaluate and discuss the design requirements to move forward with replacing the fountain. The Poulsbo Historical Society and some of its members are interested in participating. We will seek out other community members to help design and pick a new fountain. When the citizen's group is completed with their work, they will come to the City Council with a budget amendment and finished design.

Motion: Move to approve forming a citizens committee to evaluate, locate and design a replacement fountain for Ida Knudson.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Lord, **Seconded by** McGinty.

Motion carried.

b. Approval to Increase Public Works Fleet

Public Works Superintendent Lund presented the agenda summary, noting Public Works would like to increase its administration fleet by one vehicle. The Police Department is surplussing the 2010 Chevy Tahoe. Public Works would like this vehicle for an additional administration vehicle. In doing so the current 2010 Chevy Colorado driven by the Assistant Superintendent could go into the crew and help push off the need for an additional crew vehicle for a few years. While the Tahoe may have high miles (about 120,000) PW Admin does not put that many miles on their vehicles and this vehicle should last for many years before needing replacement. Public Works has also agreed to help the Police Department by stripping all their surplus vehicles for them. In doing so PW will utilize any of the equipment such as Radios for instillation in PW maintenance vehicles. This will allow us to be better prepared in the event of an emergency.

In response to Councilmember McGinty, Public Works Superintendent Lund said the only vehicles that go home with employees are on-call employees, and sometimes he takes his vehicle home.

Finance Director Booher clarified that the reason this is before Council is they are increasing their fleet, which ultimately could require more maintenance and higher replacement in the future. The good news is he could get use of the vehicle for five years. But they are requesting approval of increasing the fleet.

Motion: Move to approve increasing the Public Works Administration Fleet by one vehicle by acquiring the surplussed 2010 Chevy Tahoe from the Police Department.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** McGinty, **Seconded by** Henry.

Motion carried.

c. Public Hearing for Resolution No. 2017-12, Disposal of Proprietary Surplus Goods

Finance Director Booher presented the agenda summary, noting the Finance Department has compiled a list of items originally acquired for proprietary purposes, deemed as surplus by the Public Works Department. All items have been fully depreciated. The attached list has been circulated to each department for review of need. Some items are being claimed by other departments. The remaining items will go to auction via PublicSurplus.com and any monies received will be recorded in the appropriate utilities fund. Per RCW 35.94.040, a public hearing is required for the disposal of items acquired with proprietary funds.

At 7:49pm, Mayor Erickson opened the public hearing, and receiving no comments, closed the public hearing.

In response to Councilmember McGinty, Finance Director Booher said in the proprietary funds it sits on the balance sheet as an asset. All of these items that the City is surplussing have been fully depreciated, so they have zero value on our books. If we were surplussing something newer of value, and it was being transferred between funds, the receiving fund would have to pay the value of the item to the other fund for that asset. The items tonight have been fully depreciated, so they can be removed from the utility. They cannot be moved until they are surplussed from the proprietary department.

Motion: Move to adopt Resolution 2017-12, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, declaring certain property originally acquired for proprietary purposes to be surplus to the needs of the city and authorizing the finance director to sell such surplus property.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Musgrove, **Seconded by** Lord.

Motion carried.

d. Authorize Disposal of Surplus Goods

Finance Director Booher presented the agenda summary, noting the Finance Department has compiled a list of items deemed as surplus by City Departments. The list has been circulated to each department for review of need and the items are now awaiting surplus. These items will be surplussed via PublicSurplus.com.

In response to Mayor Erickson, Finance Director said the vehicles will stay on our books until they are sold. This motion gives staff Council's authority to dispose of them when the new vehicles come in.

Motion: Move to approve the disposal of the attached surplus listing in accordance with the City of Poulsbo Ordinance No. 94-08.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Musgrove, **Seconded by** McGinty.

Motion carried.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental Committee: Councilmember Stern reported the committee and the Mayor met with the Suquamish Tribe on August 28 and presented copies of "City Vision" magazine to the Tribe.

Finance-Administration Committee: Councilmember Stern reported they discussed the Poulsbo Library and their request for Capital Facilities District Funds to be turned over to the library for the roof repair; and monthly sales tax continues to trend up (YTD excess is +7%).

Mayor Erickson added the library is going out for a levy, and she supports it. She recommends turning over to the library the extra money that was found in the defunct district to fund the construction of the library to get the roof replaced. And hopefully, when the levy passes, they will have enough funding, and the City won't have to subsidize the library any longer.

Economic Development-Tourism Committee: Councilmember Lord they had a recap of the joint meeting with the Port Commissioners; a presentation of a new business welcome packet; briefing on the "Roadmap to Washington's Future"; briefing on subdivision ordinance update; and a Chamber of Commerce update.

Hwy 305 Corridor Study Group: Councilmember Stern and Councilmember Nystul attended this meeting with the Mayor. There is \$36MM earmarked for Kitsap County. The bridge is the choke point when considering widening either side of 305. Mayor Erickson said they have been working on this for a year and a half. They received

statistics about who is using Hwy 305: 80% of the traffic that is on Hwy 305 going to the ferry is from Bainbridge Island; 2% of traffic going to ferry comes from Poulsbo; 2% from North Kitsap; 2% from south Poulsbo/Silverdale; and 10% is coming from Seattle going back to Seattle. Also, the heaviest congestion is in Poulsbo at Bond & 305, with the 49% of the people going through that intersection are coming from south of Poulsbo. They will continue to work on the Johnson Road Roundabout, and use that as a template for other intersections on 305 across the island. A new bridge would cost \$150MM. Councilmember Nystul added the concept that the ferry traffic is causing the traffic on Bainbridge is not correct. The cars start leaving the highway at Day Road. Commerce is driving the traffic on Bainbridge. The bridge issue is a type of study WSDOT is getting started on. Spending the funding is a three-biennium process, and if we are not ready to spend it, there are other jurisdictions that want to appropriate the funding.

Councilmember Henry said the day after Councilmember Stern made his presentation to the Tribal Council, he said he saw a copy of the North Kitsap Herald on the table, something he has never seen before during all the meetings he has ever attended there. They were enthralled with an article in the paper. He feels if you come out with the right news, people will read it.

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

Public Works Superintendent Lund said the 8th Avenue and Centennial House will be down in the next few weeks. He said October 20 is the delivery date for the Waterfront Park restroom. He also heard from FHWA today that they will reimburse \$58K from the emergency repair work done earlier this year.

Finance Director Booher said last month the City had its exit conference, and the reports can be found on the state auditor's website.

9. BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS

Councilmember Stern reported Kitsap Transit has been dealing with fast ferry implementation issues. There will be a community meeting September 15 at the Poulsbo Library. Your input is really valuable. Mayor Erickson said the fast ferry is disappointing with what is occurring with the disruptions in service due to a hole in the hull, and the fire suppressant system went off today. Councilmember Stern said citizens depend on good reliable bus service. We need to not lose sight of that. He spoke in favor of bus rapid transit if the form of double decker busses. He is being told it will be a \$20MM investment in order to service these busses. Mayor Erickson said ferries is all they talk about at the board meetings. They don't talk about bus service. It is discouraging.

Councilmember Stern said at KRCC they talked about the Roadmap, which is a review of the Growth Management Act. A group has been contracted by the state to do this work. The Mayor added the contracted group will work in conjunction with WSU and Western.

It is more of an academic exercise. What is frustrating is the State is spending \$600,000 to do this two-year study, when there are things that need to be fixed now.

10. CONTINUED COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Mayor Erickson asked for citizen comments; no comments were received.

11. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

The Council wished Councilmember Henry one more happy birthday.

Councilmember Nystul said the events in Texas and Florida remind us we are in a different ball game, we won't have a warning. We need to be equally and more substantially prepared. It will be an individual thing.

Councilmember Stern said Chief Schoonmaker is taking on an initiative to provide first responder training to all citizens in Poulso. Mayor Erickson said CERT training is held in Poulso. She mentioned the City of Rockport in Texas, and the amount of planning they did before the natural disaster, and City of Poulso needs to do the same.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move to adjourn at 8:32PM,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Henry, **Seconded by** McGinty.

Motion carried unanimously.

Rebecca Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rhiannon Fernandez, CMC, City Clerk