

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting January 6, 2015

Mayor Tom Vance called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 6:30 pm.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor Tom Vance
Deputy Mayor Kathy Huckabay
Councilmember Don Gerend
Councilmember Bob Keller
Councilmember Tom Odell
Councilmember Ramiro Valderrama
Councilmember Nancy Whitten

Staff present:

Ben Yazici, City Manager
Lyman Howard, Deputy City Manager
Laura Philpot, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director
Joe Guinasso, Assistant City Manager/Finance and Technical Services Director
Mike Kenyon, City Attorney
Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll was called. City Manager Ben Yazici led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda and the Consent Agenda

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to approve the agenda including the Consent Agenda.
Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Student Liaison – Skyline High School – Joe Bretl gave the report. The students held various drives to support the Ben Towne Foundation. Next week is Civil Rights Week in honor of Martin Luther King Day. Finals will be in two weeks.

Presentations/Proclamations

➤ Election – Deputy Mayor for 2015

Councilmember Odell nominated Councilmember Huckabay to serve as Deputy Mayor for 2015. Councilmember Valderrama nominated Councilmember Gerend to serve as Deputy Mayor for 2015.

Election:

Councilmember Huckabay received 5 votes, with Councilmember Valderrama dissenting and Councilmember Whitten abstaining. Councilmember Huckabay was elected as Deputy Mayor. No further voting was conducted.

Councilmember Whitten expressed concerns about the method the elections are conducted. The current method does not allow for everyone to vote.

➤ **Eastside Catholic High School Football Team/2014 3A Washington State Champions**

Mayor Vance introduced Head Coach Jeremy Thielbahr and read a proclamation honoring the team for their great achievement:

PROCLAMATION

Whereas the Eastside Catholic High School Football Team culminated an impressive season by winning the State 3A Championship, and

Whereas these young men and coaches of the Eastside Catholic Football Team showed tremendous character in creating a winning tradition so early in the young school's history, and

Whereas their success is an example of the passion, commitment to excellence, and enthusiasm of this new city of Sammamish,

Now and therefore,

We want to recognize the Coaches and Student Athletes of the Eastside Catholic Crusaders Football Program by awarding them with the City of Sammamish Achievement of Excellence Award. Congratulations!

Signed this 6th day of January, 2015

➤ **King Conservation District**

Melissa Lang, Outreach Assistant, King Conservation District, gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining the work plan for the District (*Presentation is available upon request of the City Clerk*).

➤ **Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Award** – The City was awarded the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for their 2013 Comprehensive Annual Finance Report. City Manager Ben Yazici also announced that Finance Director Joe Guinasso was promoted to Assistant City Manager in recognition of his outstanding efforts over the past years.

Public Comment

Bob Morrison, 310 214th Avenue NE, Representing Plateau Residents for Responsible Development (PRFRD), Spoke regarding the Morningside and Barrington developments. Their main concerns are with the location of the stormwater detention ponds and the conveyance of stormwater over property that the developer does not own. They feel City staff favors the developers over the safety of the residents.

Dave Augenstein, 723 212th Avenue SE, He requested Council vacate a right of way easement over his property. Previously this road was serving four or five homes that no longer exist. The access road serves only his property so he would like the easement removed.

Tom Masterson, 207 E Lake Sammamish Lane SE, He is trying to save a tall conifer tree from being removed adjacent to the Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Jim Stenson, 2029 E Lake Sammamish Parkway NE, He feels that the paving of the Eastlake Sammamish Trail has created some drainage issues.

Barbara Krauss, 21419 NE 6th Street, She spoke regarding the Barrington and Morningside developments. She expressed the same concerns as the previous speaker.

Steve Tyzzer, 21318 NE 1st, Spoke regarding his previous request for the North Tamarack neighborhood drainage system. He is concerned that the City will go forward with the Inglewood Hill drainage plan instead of theirs, which they asked for several years ago. He also referenced the Barrington and Morningside developments.

Consent Agenda

- Payroll for period ending November 30, 2014 for pay date December 5, 2014 in the amount of \$ 291,938.37
- Payroll for period ending December 15, 2014 for pay date December 19, 2014 in the amount of \$ 291,674.32

Approval: Claims for period ending December 2, 2014 in the amount of \$ 1,433,704.42 for Check No. 39122 through 39223

Approval: Claims for period ending December 16, 2014 in the amount of \$ 2,598,080.57 for Check No. 39224 through 39336

Resolution: Extending The Terms Of Sammamish Planning Commission Members Mike Collins And Mike Luxenberg For The Purpose Of Completing The 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update

Resolution: Granting Final Plat Approval To The Plat Of Trossachs Division 17

Resolution: Accepting The 2013 Pavement Crack Sealing As Complete.

Contract: Customer Survey for Solid Waste and Cable/Elway

Grant Approval: Recycling Services

Amendment: Blue Board Sign Installation/Piedmont Signs

Approval: December 2, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approval: December 9, 2014 Study Session Notes

Public Hearing - None

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Ordinance: First Reading Related To Underage Gatherings And Adopting A New Chapter 8.20 Of The Sammamish Municipal Code; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date

Police Chief Nate Elledge gave the staff report and a PowerPoint presentation (available on the City's website at www.sammamish.us). This is the first reading of the ordinance. No action is recommended.

Councilmembers Odell and Valderrama would like to see the fine raised to \$1,000. Deputy Mayor Huckabay would like to see a higher fine for repeat offenders. She would like to see a provision for ticketing the child if the adult is not present and she would like to see marijuana added to the list of restrictions. Councilmember Whitten does not think this ordinance is written clearly enough. She would also like to see the parents of the children involved be held accountable.

Ordinance: First Reading Related To Parking Violations, And Specifically Amending SMC Sections 46.30.050, 46.30.060, And 46.30.070; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date

Police Chief Nate Elledge gave the staff report and a PowerPoint presentation (available on the City's website at www.sammamish.us).

Councilmember Whitten would like a community service option if a person can't pay their tickets. Councilmember Odell would like to see the fines even higher for certain parking infractions. He would like to see a list of fines and what the parameters are for the fee structure. Councilmember Whitten would like to add parking in bike lanes to the list.

Mayor Vance revised the agenda to conduct the commission interviews before the resolution on the Legislative Priorities for 2015.

Council recess from 8:35 pm to 8:40 pm.

Commission Interviews

The following applicants were interviewed:

Parks & Recreation Commission

Nancy Way
Katherine Low
Sid Gupta
Brent Laws
Nicky Beaty

Arts Commission

Rituja Indapure
Carole Weaks
Claradell Shedd*
Priti Joshi*

Resolution: Adopting Legislative Priorities For 2015

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to approve the resolution adopting the Legislative Priorities for 2015. Councilmember Keller seconded.

AMENDMENT: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to remove tax increment financing from the priority list. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MAIN MOTION: Carried as amended 5-2 with Councilmembers Whitten and Odell dissenting.

Councilmember Whitten is against supporting tax increment financing. Councilmember Odell believes the list is too long. Councilmember Huckabay is unhappy with the order of the priorities.

Council Reports

- Appoint 2015 Eastside Transportation Partnership (ETP) Representatives

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend and Mayor Vance will be the Representatives to ETP and Councilmember Valderrama will serve as Alternate. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to extend the meeting to 11:00 pm. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

City Manager Report - No report

Executive Session – Potential Litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)

Council returned to executive session at 10:37 and took the following action:

MOTION: To authorize the City Attorney to file a lawsuit regarding the docks at Sammamish Landing Park. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Thomas E. Vance, Mayor