

CITY OF STANWOOD

*Regular Meeting of the City Council
Thursday, February 15, 2007 – 7:00 p.m. – Stanwood Fire Station*

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dianne W. White called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

City Clerk Melissa Collins called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Andy Chappel, Shelley Klasse, Conrad Ryer, and Bill Carlton. Councilmember Arne Wennerberg's absence was excused.

3. Citizen Comments

Robert Crow, 28015 Jensen Road, expressed his concerns over roads in the local area, as well as the cleaning up of greenbelts and park areas to assist in eliminating predators. Mr. Crow also mentioned the issues of the retention ponds filling up due to heavy rain.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor White announced there would be an executive session and item #8b, Finance Committee Report, is being removed from the agenda, adding Personnel Committee Report and Public Safety Committee report.

Motion by Councilmember Klasse, second by Councilmember Carlton to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Carlton, second by Councilmember Klasse to approve the consent agenda to include items a through b; voucher checks #10720 through #10791 in the amount of \$355,103.51, and payroll checks #3561 through #3587 in the amount of \$24,473.00. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Public Hearings

- a. Development Agreement w/Renaissance Development for the Dedication & Protection of a portion of Church Creek & its buffer

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing.

Community Development Director Stephanie Hansen presented an overview of the agreement and answered questions from Council.

There was no public testimony. Mayor White closed the Public Hearing.

7. New Business

- a. Discussion – Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Director Hansen stated there is nothing new added to the packet regarding the Comprehensive Plan Amendments. This item was requested to be put on the agenda by a couple of Councilmembers who still had a few questions.

Ms. Hansen answered questions from the Council.

- b. Ordinance 1204 Glunt Annexation, 2nd Reading & Adoption

Director Hansen presented the staff report explaining that the City of Stanwood has received a notice of intent to annex 9.05 acres in the City's south Urban Growth Area, which was submitted to the City on March 13, 2006.

Ms. Hansen went on to say that the proposed annexation is located north of Pioneer Highway and east of 72nd Avenue. She stated the properties are designated for high-density residential development in the City's Comprehensive Plan and the zoning designation for them is Multi-Family Residential, which allows apartments and other multi-family units.

Ms. Hansen said staff recommends Council to adopt Ordinance No. 1204 as well as the Development Agreement to ensure the protection of Church Creek.

Motion by Councilmember Carlton, second by Councilmember Klasse to adopt Ordinance No. 1204, an ordinance of the City Council of Stanwood, Washington, annexing an unincorporated area known as the "Glunt Annexation Area," which is contiguous to the existing Stanwood city limits which is located within the Stanwood Urban Growth Boundary, contingent upon the Development Agreement between the developer and the City. Chappel: yes; Klasse: yes; Ryer: No; Carlton: yes. Motion carried 3-1.

Motion by Councilmember Klasse, second by Councilmember Chappel to authorize the Mayor to sign the Development Agreement regarding the Glunt Annexation. Chappel: yes; Klasse: yes; Ryer: no; Carlton: yes. Motion carried 3-1.

8. Report of Officers and Committees

a. Mayor's Report

Mayor White reported on the following topics:

- City Council Retreat, facilitated by Jack Lyons
- Interview with Rachael Robertson from NW Business Magazine for an upcoming issue
- Attended first annual Stanwood/Camano Awards breakfast.
- Commended Fire Department for excellent "ride to school"
- Attended 2-day Legislative Conference in Olympia
- Met with Senator Haugen who reinforced train station, etc.

b. Committee Reports

Finance Committee – 2006 Year-End Financial Report
(Removed from the agenda)

Councilmember Klasse reported on the Personnel Committee who met and discussed several items, which included: staffing, Safety Committee, City Hall inspections, first-aid/CPR training for all employees, employee of the month program, personnel policy and three new firefighters.

Councilmember Chappel presented the Public Safety Report, which included performance for the Fire and Police Department, as well as a proposed work plan for the year for the Fire Department.

c. Staff Reports

Sergeant Rob Palmer reported on the broken Police Department window and thanked the Public Works Department for their quick response to tarp and board up the window.

City Clerk Melissa Collins reported to Council that she has done some research in beginning the process of finding two more Councilmembers to go from a five member Council to a seven member Council. Ms. Collins stated that she would like to begin this process and asked Council how long they would like to advertise.

A discussion ensued between City Council, the City Clerk and the City Attorney. The decision was to advertise and receive resumes and letters of interest until March 27, 2007. At that time it will be decided whether to extend the date or not.

Ms. Collins also answered questions from the Mayor and Council regarding the Ordinance to move the City Council meetings to the Stanwood-Camano School District Administration Building.

Community Development Director Stephanie Hansen asked Council if they are available to attend a joint meeting with the Planning Commission on Monday, March 12, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. to start discussing land use issues.

It was unanimously agreed upon to attend the joint meeting.

9. Citizen Closing Comments

Citizens asked questions regarding the Comprehensive Plan Amendments.

10. Adjourn to Executive Session

Mayor White adjourned the meeting to Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. for a period of 20 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. Action may be taken after the meeting reconvenes.

Those asked to attend included the City Council, the Mayor, City Administrator, Human Resources Director and the City Attorney.

11. Reconvene and Adjourn

The meeting reconvened at 8:08 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Klasse, second by Councilmember Ryer to sign the agreement discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Klasse, second by Councilmember Ryer to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Prothman Company. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor White declared the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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ATTEST:

Dianne W. White, Mayor

Melissa A. Collins, City Clerk