

# CITY OF STANWOOD

*Regular Meeting of the City Council  
Thursday, April 23, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.*

*Stanwood-Camano School District Administration Building Board Room*

## 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: Conrad Ryer, Andy Chappel, Arne Wennerberg, Bill Carlton, Timothy Loney, and Shelley Klasse.

Councilmember Leonard Kelley was excused.

Also present: City Administrator Joyce Papke, City Clerk Melissa Collins, Finance Director Crystil Collins, Public Works Director Andy Bullington, Community Development Director Rebecca Lind, Human Resources Director Mathew Pruitt, Police Chief Ty Trenary, Deputy Fire Chief Darin Reid, and City Attorney Grant Weed.

### 3. Special Presentation

WSDOT Highway 532 Update, Pat McCormick & Robyn Boyd

Mayor White welcomed Pat McCormick, Robyn Boyd and Dave Edwards from the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). A Power point presentation was provided with specific details of the work to be done on Highway 532 between Terry's Corner on Camano Island and Interstate 5.

Pat McCormick, Engineering Manager provided some history about the project and explained that this is a safety project, which will provide some congestion relief. He said WSDOT has been working with the City since 1990. He also noted that an open house will be held in June, 2009 to provide information to the public.

Robyn Boyd, Project Engineer, provided the following specifics of the project:

- Replace the General Mark W. Clark Memorial Bridge.

- The new bridge will have two 12-foot lanes, divided by a 4-foot median with a 14-foot shoulder on each side.
- Improve intersections between Camano Island and I-5, including new left and right turn lanes.
- Build three truck climbing lanes:
  - Westbound, between 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.W. and 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.W.
  - Eastbound, between 52<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
  - Eastbound, between Pioneer Highway and 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue N.W.
- Repave the highway between the Mark Clark Bridge and 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue N.W.
- Build highway stormwater run-off treatment facilities.
- Install up to eight new bus pull-outs along the highway.
- Install illumination and signal improvements.

Dave Edwards, Project Engineer, discussed the railroad bridge deck project that is scheduled to begin in August, 2009. He showed photos of the potholes developing on the bridge and said that before they get too bad the bridge deck needs to be repaired to retain the integrity of the bridge. He explained how this would be done and addressed the issues and concerns of getting the project done.

Mr. Edwards expressed the importance of maintaining safety for the traveling public and the construction workers since there will be a limited work area. The bridge is only 26 feet wide and WSDOT wants to keep traffic moving. He stated the bridge deck has to be replaced when the weather is dry, before the rainy season this fall. Mr. Edwards indicated the best option is a full weekend closure of the bridge with a detour on local Stanwood city streets. Close 532 at Pioneer Highway intersection and 88<sup>th</sup>. WSDOT feels they can do this in one weekend possibly two in case something goes wrong. The project will start Friday night about 9:00 p.m. until Monday morning at 5:00 a.m. Mr. Edwards commented if traffic volumes allow the workers might be able to start the work a little earlier than 9:00 p.m. He also stated in order to keep traffic moving they will use police officers and flaggers at all key intersections. WSDOT is currently working with the Police Chief to determine where the officers and flaggers should be placed.

He shared the proposed detour route and answered questions from Council.

Councilmember Carlton asked for clarification from Mr. Edwards regarding the time the bridge would be out of service on the weekend. Mr. Edwards replied the whole project will be done in two weekends, hopefully one. With the bridge opening back up Monday morning depending on weather. To be efficient as possible Mr. Edwards stated that in addition to the two weekends, a few evening lane closures may need to be done in order to prep for the upcoming work.

Mr. Edwards pointed out that a noise variance request was submitted to the city and will come forward at the next City Council meeting for their approval. He said another option is not to detour traffic through the city and do a single lane closure. He explained this would close half the bridge at a time with the same hours of 9:00 p.m. Friday until Monday at 5:00 a.m. The lane width available would be 9 feet of space for traffic, and in order to ensure safety a pilot car would be needed to keep traffic flowing safely. He felt this would drag the project on for several weeks with traffic delays. The best way is to close the bridge down over a weekend or two, get the work done and get out.

Mayor White requested questions from Council, staff and the public.

City Administrator Joyce Papke clarified that the 268<sup>th</sup> Street property will be retained in private hands. She also addressed c-curbing concerns in the west end of town.

The following citizens spoke:

Randy Heagle, Camano Island  
Asked questions regarding the c-curbing plan.

Pearl Schaar, Camano Island  
Asked questions regarding the railroad bridge longevity and speed limits in town.

WSDOT representatives responded to the questions and concerns.

#### **4. Staff Announcements**

Deputy Chief Darin Reid reminded Council and staff of the upcoming DUI drill at the High School.

Finance Director Crystil Collins handed out the first quarter financial report and responded to questions from Council. She also reported on the FEMA reimbursement numbers.

Mayor White thanked Public Works Director Andy Bullington and Finance Director Crystil Collins for their work on the FEMA reimbursement.

#### **5. Citizen Comments**

There were no citizen comments.

## 6. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor White announced there would be an executive session and item 7a has been deleted from the agenda.

*Motion by Councilmember Loney, second by Councilmember Chappel to approve the agenda as amended deleting Item a; Approval of the Special Event Partnership Process and Application. Motion carried unanimously.*

Councilmember Klasse requested a Finance Committee meeting with the Mayor. Mayor White concurred.

## 7. New Business

### a. Approval of the Special Event Partnership Process & Application

This item was removed from the agenda.

### b. Bryant Well Field Treatment Facility Project Acceptance

Public Works Director Andy Bullington reported that in January 2001 the Environmental Protection Agency adopted an arsenic standard that required public water systems to comply with a maximum contaminant level of 10 parts per billion. The City was notified by the Department of Health that some disinfection process was required to the Bryant well source per WAC 246-290-451. Mr. Bullington said that to satisfy the treatment criteria requirement the City constructed an oxidation and filtration treatment facility. The new facility was constructed and began its testing period on November 12, 2008. Throughout the testing period the City and City Engineer identified 59 corrective items and notified the contractor. Between November 21, 2008 and March 23, 2009 all items were inspected and noted as complete.

Mr. Bullington added the Public Works Committee has discussed the project with staff and reviewed the proposed recommendation and expressed support for accepting the project as complete.

*Motion by Councilmember Wennerberg, second by Councilmember Loney to accept the Bryant Water Treatment Facility project as complete and close-out the construction portion of the project. Motion carried unanimously.*

- c. Authorize Mayor White to sign all Documents & Enter into a Contractual Agreement between the City of Stanwood and Affordable Environmental Inc., for the Asbestos Removal & Demolishing of City Property

Director Bullington presented the staff report and reported that Council requested an inquiry to explore the potential cost to demolish the vacant City house adjacent to City Hall. In a public meeting Council directed staff to obtain bids and bring back a contract to conduct the prescribed demolishing efforts. Qualified contractors were solicited off the Municipal Research Center small works roster to participate in the bid process. Mr. Bullington pointed out that three contractors participated in the process with bids ranging from \$9,988 to \$16,659. There has been no budget allocated in this fiscal year, therefore the Public Works Director and Finance Director have discussed options for Council should they elect to continue with the projects.

Councilmember Klasse stated it was the Public Works Committee recommendation to list the building as surplus under certain conditions. A discussion took place amongst Council, Public Works Director Andy Bullington, City Administrator Joyce Papke and City Attorney Grant Weed with direction to ask City staff to bring back a resolution to surplus the property.

## **8. Report of Officers and Committees**

### **a. Mayor's Report**

Mayor White reported on the following:

- Recognized Police Chief Ty Trenary and Sergeant Barry Ruchty for their heroic efforts in the rescue of a local teen.
- Spring Cleanup has been moved to coincide with the train station opening in September.
- Attended the Snohomish County Health District meeting.
- Congressman Rick Larson spoke at the Farmhouse Gang Meeting.
- Attended the Snohomish County Tomorrow Steering Committee.

### **b. Committee Reports**

Councilmember Timothy Loney reported both the Public Safety and Community Development Committees have recently met.

c. Councilmember Reports/Questions

Councilmember Loney asked Council for clarification regarding the upcoming AWC Conference and the need to fund the Council retreat. He expressed interest in attending the conference and asked for Council direction. A discussion took place. It was motioned by Councilmember Carlton and seconded by Councilmember Chappel to fund a City Council retreat in 2009. Roll was not taken but the entire Council concurred.

d. City Administrator Business

No report was given.

e. Student Advisor Report

No report was given.

**9. Citizens Closing Comments**

There were no citizens closing comments.

**10. Adjourn to Executive Session**

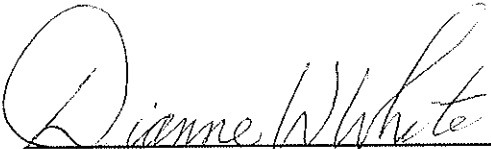
Mayor White adjourned the meeting to executive session at 8:40 p.m. for 30 minutes to discuss potential litigation with no action required.

**11. Reconvene and Adjourn**

The meeting reconvened at 9:20 p.m. There being no further business before the Council, Mayor White declared the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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Dianne W. White, Mayor

  
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Melissa A. Collins, City Clerk