

CITY OF STANWOOD
Regular Meeting of the City Council
Thursday, August 9, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.
Stanwood Camano School District Administration Board Room
MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro Tempore Dianne White called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Deputy Clerk Tania Hawes called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Rob Johnson, Dianne White, Timothy Pearce, Larry Sather, Kelly McGill, and Judy Williams. The meeting was quorate.

Also present: Public Works Director Kevin Hushagen, Community Development Director Patricia Love, Senior Accountant Wendy Dowhower, Sergeant Rebecca Lewis, City Attorney Representative Brett Vinson, and Deputy Clerk Tania Hawes.

Motion by Councilmember Sather, second by Councilmember McGill, to excuse Councilmember Callaghan. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the Agenda

City Council revised the agenda to add an executive session for purposes of discussing real estate acquisition and sale pursuant.

Motion by Councilmember Sather, second by Councilmember McGill, to approve the agenda as revised. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Presentation

Mayor Pro Tempore Dianne White presented a certificate of recognition to the Stanwood Camano Food Bank and Thrift Store for this quarter's business spotlight. She stated that the food bank is a wonderful asset to the community and that the food bank is always taking donations. Councilmember White explained that she is an acquaintance of Jeanie Ovenell, who started the food bank out of the trunk of her car when she was just sixteen years old.

Councilmember Johnson added that he thought the simple gesture collection process is wonderful.

5. Citizen Comments

Shoaleh Colombi – 6523 176th PL NW

Shoaleh commented that 68th avenue used to be blocked so that only the fire department could use the road. When Ridgeland Estates was built, the playground and mailboxes were moved across the street from the development on 68th avenue. Now that 68th avenue is open to the public, there are cars that speed on the road even though they are in a school zone. Shoaleh has contacted the Police Department and was told that officers would patrol the area, but the problem has persisted. Shoaleh is on the home owner's association board and expressed that they are concerned because

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children have to cross the busy street in order to go to the playground. The residents of the neighborhood also have to cross the street in order to get to their mailboxes. Shoaleh has already discussed this issue with Erick Aurand and asked that the City send the issue to the rest of the Community Development Department. She expressed that this issue is only going to get worse with Mineral Point, Titan Homes NW, and Landed Gentry all building homes in the area. Shoaleh also commented that on the corner of 278th street and 68th avenue, she has almost been in a collision three times because of how hard it is to see other cars in that intersection.

In response to Shoaleh's concerns, Councilmember White suggested asking the Stanwood School District if they could create provisions to help children walk safely in the busy area. Ms. Colombi replied that the school has crossing guards and that because there are so many parents are trying to pick up their children from school, it makes it difficult for residents to pick up their mail. She also said that it would not resolve the issue for when school is not in session and children would like to go to the park.

Cathy Wooten – 27828 84th Avenue NW

Cathy asked Community Development Director Patricia Love if Shoaleh Colombi could submit a docket application for citizen concerns so that the issue could go before the Planning Commission and then to City Council. Patricia explained that this would not be a docket item because it is not a change of city code; rather a site development issue.

Tim Schmitt – 27308 101st Avenue

Tim congratulated Erica Schorn on the birth of her daughter, and Councilmember McGill and his wife on the birth of their daughter. He also added to Mr. Wooten's comments during the July 12, 2018 City Council meeting on the rowdy behavior before the Twin City Idler's show. Tim commented that by the lack of action during the event before the Twin City Idler's show, the Police Department seemed to provide approval of the rowdy behavior. Tim stated that he understood that there may have been reasons for the Police Department's lack of action at the event, such as an equally dangerous reaction to any action from the police. He also commented that he spoke to some of the senior members of the Twin City Idlers and that they said that they did not endorse the activity that occurred the night before the Twin City Idlers show. Tim suggested to Council that when the event comes to the Public Safety Committee next year, that the observations of this event be taken into consideration and a planned response to address any rowdy behavior if it occurs will already be in place.

Councilmember Johnson asked Tim if he had directly witnessed the events before the Twin City Idlers show himself. Tim replied that he had seen some parts of the event on Saturday night and when he goes by Stanwood Middle School he still sees the burnout marks on the road from the event.

Councilmember McGill added that he had also attended the event. He stated that he did not want to watch cars that were almost swerving into sidewalks and children.

Councilmember White added that dealing with the event at permit time next year is a good idea.

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6. Staff Reports

- a. Economic Development Board July 19, 2018
- b. Finance Report 2nd Quarter – 2018
- c. Police Compstat Report – June 2018
- d. Public Works Monthly Report – May and June 2018
- e. Community Development Monthly Report – May/June 2018
- f. Planning Commission Minutes – April 23, 2018
- g. Planning Commission Minutes – June 11, 2018
- h. Planning Commission Minutes – June 25, 2018
- i. Planning Commission Minutes – July 9, 2018

7. Committee Reports

- a. Community Development
- b. Public Works Committee Report

8. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Vouchers and Payroll Checks
- b. Approve July 12, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
- c. Authorize Purchase of a New Pump and Valves for repair to the Wastewater System at the Wastewater Treatment Plant
- d. Snohomish County Hotel/Motel Grant Application

Motion by Councilmember Sather, second by Councilmember McGill, to approve the consent agenda items a through d. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Public Hearing

- a. To Hear Public Testimony regarding the Surplus Property Landed Gentry Easement
 - i. Resolution 2018-19

Public Works Director Kevin Hushagen asked City Council to hold a public hearing to surplus a piece of property at the Schmakeit property. Kevin explained that the Schmakeit property is set to be redeveloped.

Motion by Councilmember Sather, second by Councilmember Johnson, to open the public hearing to consider testimony regarding surplus and extinguishment of the easement on the Schmakeit property. Motion carried unanimously.

A public hearing was held regarding the surplus and extinguishment of an easement on the Schmakeit property for adoption of Resolution 2018-19. This resolution would authorize the surplus of the Schmakeit property easement.

Anna Nelson – 504 East Fairhaven Avenue Burlington, WA 98233

Anna stated that she works for Landed Gentry and encouraged City Council to approve Resolution 2018-19 to extinguish the easement on the property.

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Seeing no other citizen comments, the public hearing closed.

Motion by Councilmember Sather, second by Councilmember McGill, to adopt Resolution 2018-19 and authorize the Mayor to sign the easement extinguishment for easement AFN2311543 on the Schmakeit property. Motion carried unanimously.

10. New Business

i. Economic Development Board Resolution 2018-18

Community Development Director Patricia Love presented Resolution 2018-18, reconvening the Economic Development Board's term for an additional four years. The original resolution put in place in 2014 provided for a four year term for the Board. At the end of the four year term, Council would review the Board to see if it was providing any benefit to the City.

Councilmember White commented that she is in favor of the Economic Development Board because it has elected officials, staff, and community leaders, so it provides a broader viewpoint for the economic development of the City.

Councilmember Williams added that there has been some great work from this committee and others, and that they should stick with this committee.

Motion by Councilmember Sather, second by Councilmember McGill, to adopt Resolution 2018-18, reconvening the Economic Development Board for an additional four year term. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Reports of Officers and Committees

a. Mayor Pro Tempore's Report

Mayor Pro Tempore Dianne White commented that when she went to City Hall in the morning and later in the afternoon that the building was very warm. Although the City Hall has fans and a few window air conditioners, the fans are in inconvenient areas and create lots of noise in the City Hall. She commented that the City has an opportunity with the new city budget coming up to get a proper air conditioning system for the building. Councilmember White commented that it was about 82 degrees in City Hall and that the City is probably using just as much energy with all of the fans as they would with a proper air conditioning system. She also explained that even though the City will be getting a new City Hall, they will still have to sell the old City Hall and a new air conditioning system would make the building much more marketable.

b. City Administrator's Report

c. Councilmember Reports and Questions

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12. Citizen Closing Comments

There were no citizen comments.

13. Adjourn to Executive Session for Purposes of Discussing Real Estate Acquisition/Sale Pursuant to [RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)] Possible Action to Follow

At 7:26 pm, Mayor Pro Tempore Dianne White adjourned the meeting to executive session to discuss property acquisition for fifteen minutes.

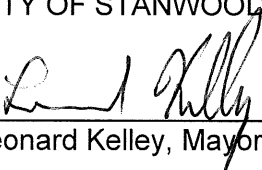
At 7:43 pm, City Attorney Representative Brett Vinson announced that Council would be in executive session for an additional ten minutes.

Council reconvened at 7:59 pm.

14. Reconvene and Adjourn

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Pro Tempore Dianne White adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

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Leonard Kelley, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tania Hawes, Deputy Clerk