



ORIGINAL

ORTING CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Public Safety Building, 401 Washington Ave. SE
May 25, 2016

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL.

Mayor Joachim Pestinger called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Orting Public Safety Building. Councilmember Ford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Deputy Mayor William Birkes, Councilmembers Scott Drennen, Barbara Ford, Josh Penner, Tod Gunther, Dave Harman and Nicola McDonald.

ATTENDANCE:

City Employees

Jane Montgomery, City Clerk
Scott Larson, Treasurer
Mark Bethune, City Administrator

Professional Representatives

Charlotte Archer, Attorney- Kenyon Disend
JC Hungerford, Engineer – Parametrix

Visitors (signed in)

Mary Walsh
Bradley Jackson

B. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of May 11, 2016
- Payroll and Claims Warrants

Councilmember Ford moved to approve the Consent Agenda as prepared. Second by Councilmember Harmon. Motion carried (7-0).

Purchase policy and Council's role in the approval process was discussed. The Rules committee will address this in the future.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Walsh

Ms. Walsh spoke about the recent Lahar Drill. Ms. Walsh works for the Orting School District. She thanked the City for their participation in the drill.

Bradley Jackson

Bradley Jackson informed Council that he was an Eagle Scout. He came to the meeting to ask Councilmembers to come out on Saturday the 28th of May to help him put the roof on the information Kiosk he built at the City Park.

Casey Golden

Mr. Golden discussed the Bridge for Kids project. He enthusiastically supports a continued effort to work on evacuation of the City in the event of a Lahar. He provided information to the Council regarding the reporting of the Lahar Drill and would like to see the report corrected.

Councilmember Ford will submit the report from the School District which details finish times, and ask for a retraction.

D. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Confirmation of City Clerk

Scott Larson, Treasurer, also in charge of personnel, reported on the Clerk selection process. He handed out a report which detailed interview, application, and test scores. The Mayor asked the Council to confirm selected candidate Jane Montgomery to the position of City Clerk.

Deputy Mayor Birkes moved to approve the confirmation of Jane Montgomery to the position of City Clerk. Second by Councilmember McDonald. Motion carried (7-0).

E. COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL STANDING REPORTS:

Finance- Committee Chair /Councilmember Ford briefed on the following;

- Revenue and expense reports;
- Street fund;
- Cemetery fund;
- Property taxes.

Rules-No report.

Transportation- Committee Chair /Councilmember Penner briefed on the following:

- Transportation Master Plan-non-motorized element;
- Chip seal;
- Kansas Street;
- Problematic parking issues
- Trail crossing improvements;
- LED lights;
- Rocky Road.

Emergency Preparedness- Committee Chair/ Councilmember Drennen briefed on the following:

- The Lahar Drill;
- Emergency resiliency plan;
- Barbara Thurman will visit the Committee in July.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Pestinger briefed on the following:

- He and Councilmember Gunther's meeting with the Pierce County Council;
- Bottlenecks in the City;
- Second walkway;
- Upcoming testimony to Sound Transit regarding McMillan Station;
- PCRC meeting.

Discussion followed and led to additional comments regarding the Lahar Drill, disgruntled drivers, and the robo calls that were sent out for the drill.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 1. AB16-47** – Closed Record Hearing -Village Green Ph.1 Div. 7
Mayor Pestinger opened the hearing at 7:48 p.m.

JC Hungerford, briefed the Council on the agenda item. The recommendation to approve pertains only to the Phase 1 final plat for 32 lots of the division.

Treasurer Larson explained the escrow process which is in place and will protect the City.

Mayor Pestinger closed the hearing at 8:02 p.m.

Councilmember Penner moved to approve the Planning Commission recommendation on the Final Plat Phasing submittal of Village Green, Division 7- Phase One Second by Councilmember Harman conditional upon performance of escrow. Motion carried (7-0).

G. OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Discussion-** Bridgewater Plat Alternative Analysis

This agenda item to be discussed in executive session at the end of the meeting.

H. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. AB 16-48- Ordinance No. 2016-984**, amending Section 9-1 Orting Municipal Code, relating to water use and regulations.

Councilmember McDonald briefed on the agenda item which formalizes the leak adjustment procedure.

Councilmember McDonald moved to approve Ordinance No. 2016-984, amending Section 9-1 Orting Municipal Code, relating to water use and regulations. Second by Councilmember Penner. Motion Passed (7-0)

- 2. AB 16-49- Resolution No. 2016-21**, setting the penalty fees as described by 9-1-D-1B and 9-1D-2C of the OMC.

Councilmember McDonald briefed on the agenda item. This increase is to cover the actual cost of the utility disconnect/connect work done by the City.

Councilmember McDonald moved to adopt Resolution No. 2016-21. Second by Councilmember Harman. Motion Passed (7-0)

Americans with Disabilities Act – reasonable accommodations provided upon request (360) 893-2219

3. AB16-50- Washington Avenue Two-Way Left Turn project.

Councilmember Penner briefed on this agenda item and was followed by a brief report by JC Hungerford.

Councilmember Drennen made a motion to approve the scope and budget for the Washington Avenue Two-Way Left Turn Lane improvements. Second by Deputy Mayor Birkes. Motion Passed (7-0)

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Doug Bishop

Mr. Bishop addressed the approval process for expenditures coming before the Council and the budget deficit in the City. He inquired about an expenditure on the custom Council report for \$3,000, and the need for Rocky Road to be repaired.

Mayor Pestinger and the Council conversed with two Puyallup High School students who attended the meeting as part of their civics class curriculum.

Mayor Pestinger recessed the meeting at 8:32 p.m. to take a break. The meeting reconvened at 8:37 p.m.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pestinger announced that there would be an executive session and that the executive session is expected to last 20 minutes, no action will be taken afterwards, and the purpose of the executive session is per RCW 42.30.110(b), To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price.

8:38 p.m. Mayor Pestinger recessed to executive session.

8:58 p.m. extended for 5 minutes.

9:03 p.m. extended for 3 minutes.

9:06 p.m. Mayor Pestinger called the meeting back to order.

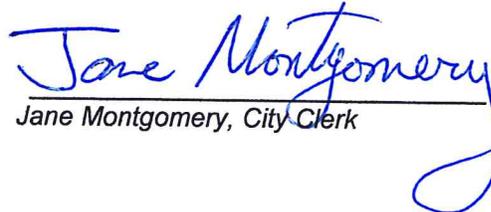
K. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Birkes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Councilmember Ford.

Mayor Pestinger adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

ATTEST:


Joachim Pestinger, Mayor


Jane Montgomery, City Clerk