

**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

DATE February 11, 2010

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Mayor Ron Onslow; Council member David Taylor, Lee Wells, Darren Wertz and Don Stose.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Finance Division Director Gaylynn Brien; Chief of Police Carrie Greene; Director of Finance & Administration/City Clerk Kay Kammer; City Attorney Chris Sundstrom; Public Works Director Steve Wall.

CALL TO ORDER 6:30:26 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGANCE

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Add: Report on Port Rail Crossing during the Mayor's report

MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

Council:

Mr. Wells Attended the council retreat, briefing, State of the County address, Port meeting, and the study session on the Green Gables Development Agreement (DA)

Mr. Taylor Attended the retreat, briefing, State of the County address, Green Gables DA study session, Three Creeks Advisory Board meeting, council retreat, briefing, Planning Commission meeting, School Board meeting, Port meeting and the Green Gables DA study session

Mr. Stose Attended the retreat, briefing, Planning Commission meeting, State of the County address, Stakeholder meeting with Washington State

Mr. Wertz Attended the retreat, briefing, Planning Commission meeting, State of the County address, Stakeholder meeting with Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and US Fish & Wildlife, Parks Board meeting, trails meeting, and the Green Gables DA study session

Mayor Onslow: Attended the retreat, the swearing in of Rich Melnick to the Superior Court, Mayor's dinner, luncheon with Clark County Fire & Rescue, trail meeting, Green Gables DA study session, North County Leadership Group meeting, State of the County address, met with Jim Maul about downtown revitalization, and stopped by the Planning Commission meeting

Letter from the Clark County Commissioners read into the record regarding setting up a meeting regarding parks and trails intergovernmental efforts

6:59:57 PM

MOTION: Council member David Taylor moved to authorize the participation in the discussion with Clark County and City of Vancouver Parks and Recreation program

SECOND: Council member Don Stose.

7:00:20 PM

Vote: 5-0
Yes: Mayor Ron Onslow; Council member David Taylor, Lee Wells, Darren Wertz and Don Stose
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion unanimously passed.

Proclamation – Support of the 2010 Census read into the record by Mayor Onslow

Jenny Hamilton, U.S. Census representative

Thanked council for support of the census

Data must be turned into the President by December 31st and will then be released to the public in 2011

Port of Ridgefield Rail Crossing project

Convert South Main Avenue into a one way southbound lane with angled parking on the west side

Pioneer Street will remain one lane each way east and west through the intersection

Projected cost for overpass is \$12,500,000

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Jim Carlock, non-resident

C-TRAN will cut bus service once light rail goes in

City needs to get assurances from C-TRAN for continued bus service to area

C-TRAN has promised to provide financial assistance to Trimet to operate light rail

Portland is going through cut backs on bus service but is keeping light rail

Allen Rogers, non-resident

Chairman of Washington Citizens of Responsible Government

Suggest City of Ridgefield to adopt the E-Verify program

Statistics provided for illegal aliens

Chuck Miller, non-resident

9 cities in Washington State use the E-Verify program

E-Verify is a free system and there is no cost to a city as an employer or in contract administration

Tom Mielke, non-resident, Clark County Board of Commissioners

Drove forward the E-Verify program at Clark County

Found that illegal aliens were working for a contractor who had won a bid for a county project

Health Department is running out of money and we are providing full blown health care for illegal aliens

Illegal aliens are still being served by our community and running costs up

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of claims/payroll in the amount of \$73,370.01
Claims No. 13062 through 13018 in the amount of \$72,866.01 and an automatic payment in the amount of \$504.00
2. Approval of minutes from January 21, 28, and 29, 2010

MOTION: Council member Lee Wells moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented

SECOND: Council member Don Stose.

7:42:19 PM

Vote:

5-0

Yes:

Mayor Ron Onslow; Council member David Taylor, Lee Wells, Darren Wertz and Don Stose

No:

None

Abstained:

None

Absent:

None

Motion unanimously passed.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Amendment to the Parks Capital Facilities Plan

Parks Board had requested that the \$150,000 project be added to the Capital Facilities Plan
Council opted for a budget neutral plan to reduce the Community Park (CP)-5 costs by \$150,000 due to the actual purchase price being lower than the estimation and to add \$150,000 for the park and trail system within the Pioneer Canyon subdivision in accordance with the adopted Development Agreement
Budget neutral approach would alleviate need to recalculate impact fees
Neighborhood Park (NP)-6 updated to include both acquisition and construction in the cost estimation

Opened 7:48:23 PM and incorporated staff comments noted above in the

No testimony received

Closed 7:50:08 PM

BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 1046

First reading of Amendment to Parks Capital Facilities Plan

First reading conducted

2. Ordinance No. 1047

First reading of Amendment to Ridgefield Municipal Code 13.08 regarding System Development Charge (SDC) Refunds

First reading conducted

Allows for a refund of system development charges when a builder opts not to move forward with construction

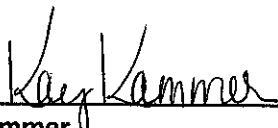
Impact fees and other fees are authorized for refund in the municipal code but it is currently silent for allowing SDC's to be refunded. State Auditor has requested language be added to the code to authorize refunds for SDC's

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

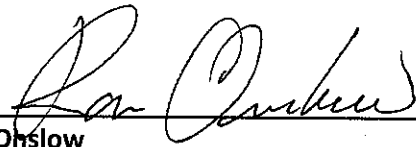
Chuck Miller, non-resident

Presented written testimony read into the record earlier to the Mayor

ADJOURN 7:56:07 PM



Kay Kammer
Director of Finance & Administration
City Clerk



Ron Onslow
Mayor