

Langley City Council Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2010

Mayor Samuelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Present were City Council Members Robert Gilman, Rene Neff, Fran Abel and Bob Waterman. Also present were Director of Planning, Larry Cort; Chief of Police, Bob Herzberg; and Director of Finance/City Clerk, Debbie Mahler. The flag salute was led by Council Member Waterman.

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda. Motion - Waterman, 2nd - Neff. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Council Meeting Minutes – November 1, 2010
- b. Claims Warrants Nos. 27167-27197 in the amount of \$62,856.18
- c. Payroll Warrants # 27046-27072 (10/15/10) in the amount of \$52,144.17 and # 27119-27144 (10/31/10) in the amount of \$53,626.68
- d. Approval of Agenda as amended.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- a. *Langley Library* – Vicky Welfare, Librarian thanked everyone who voted on the Library annexation and stated that she looks forward to serving the residents for many years to come. Vicky also reported that Sno-Isle.org has many, many resources and reports available on line and encouraged everyone to take a look at the website.
- c. *Port of South Whidbey report* – Commissioner Chris Jerome reported that the Port has been spending a lot of time discussing what to do with the upland Possession Beach property. They will hold a public hearing next Wednesday to discuss whether to surplus the Possession beach upland property. The Port approved overnight parking at Possession Beach Park for up to ten nights. Those who wish to park overnight while on a boating trip, may apply for a permit to do so. Permitting and design process for the Langley harbor expansion is still in process.

CITIZEN COMMENTS *

Mariane Edain of WEAN reported that she attended an information session on surface water utility at the County where the question of whether the county can tax properties within city limits came up. She requested that the city work with the county on this issue. George Springer of Langley Community Radio reported that he is trying to get Council meeting recordings on line and on the radio, and asked for pledges to help buy the equipment to have the meetings on air. The cost is estimated at about \$600.

PUBLIC HEARING – BUDGET/REVENUE FOR 2010

Mayor Samuelson opened the public hearing at 6:50 PM. Finance Director Debbie Mahler gave an overview of the main revenues projected for 2011 and how the

City arrived at those estimates. Larry Cort detailed the proposed budget for the planning and building department for 2011. Chief Herzberg detailed the police budget. Mayor Samuelson reported on the cuts to be made in the Finance and Administration departments and Debbie Mahler explained some of the expenditure issues and rising costs the City has been dealing with in preparing the 2011 budget.

Shelley Marsanyi, Managing Director of Whidbey Children's Theater asked for an allocation of tourism funding for the Theater. She handed out a proposal to Council members for their consideration. Questions were asked by the Council and then the floor was opened up to the community for questions. Mayor Samuelson closed the public hearing at 9:24 PM.

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION: To waive the first reading and adopt Ordinance No. 950 Fixing the amount of Ad Valorem Taxes to be Levied by the City of Langley for collection in the year 2011. Motion - Waterman, 2nd - Neff. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: To adopt Ordinance No. 951 Amending Ordinance Nos. 492, 592, 605, 641, 653, 710, 909 and Langley Municipal Code 2.04.010 relating to date and time of regular City Council meetings. Motion – Waterman, 2nd – Neff. Motion passed with no opposition.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM. Motion - Waterman , 2nd - Neff. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie L. Mahler, Director of Finance/City Clerk