

**Langley City Council Minutes**  
**May 18, 2015**

Mayor McCarthy called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Present were Council Members Thomas Gill, Robin Black, Jim Sundberg and Bruce Allen. Rene Neff arrived at 6 PM. Also present were Director of Public Works, Stan Berryman; Director of Planning, Michael Davolio; Chief of Police, Dave Marks; and Finance Director/Clerk, Debbie Mahler. The flag salute was led by Mayor McCarthy.

**MOTION:** To approve the agenda with the addition of the approval of a contract with SRV Construction and Councilman Allen's update on the Doghouse prospectus and removal of the Chamber semi-annual report. Motion – Allen, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Gill. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** To approve the consent agenda with the addition of a confirmation of Mayor's appointment. Motion - Allen, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sundberg. The consent agenda was approved with all in favor.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approval of council meeting minutes of 5/4/15
- b. Approval of claims warrants Nos. 33216-33256 in the amount of \$80,221.95
- c. Approval of payroll warrants Nos. 33076-33099 (5-15-15) in the amount of \$54,993.73 and Nos. 33141-33164 (5-31-15) in the amount of \$55,174.62.
- d. Confirmation of the Mayor's appointment of Tim Callison to the ILIO Technical Advisory Committee

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Lorinda Kay, Director of Langley Main Street stated that our Main Street attended the conference and were awarded a Community Partnership award for five projects in the City. She presented a plaque to the City for the award in partnership with the City and also the plaques they were awarded last year for display at City Hall.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Planning – Michael Davolio reported that the hearing examiner approved the Upper Langley development, and the group will be meeting with the Cemetery Board regarding the joint use of the roadway soon. He is still working on the Comp Plan update and will schedule a public hearing of the Planning Advisory Board soon to get public comment on the plan. PAB is also talking about marina access and will continue this at their next meeting. The Port has been invited to the next meeting also and we want to partner with them on this issue. The City zoning code needs some updates, which will be done before the comp plan update is complete. The Doghouse plans are going to Design Review Board tomorrow night for approval.

Public Works – Stan Berryman reported that the Department of Health did an audit of our water system and public works is now making corrections on the backflow system in the pump house to address the audit findings. We are working with Main Street to get antique street lights installed on Frick Lane. Stan had a meeting with the contractors from the Second Street project last week about replacing warranted trees that have died and some lighting that is not working. The fire flow system on City buildings was recently inspected and needed some repairs which have been done at the City Hall and Library.

Police – Chief Marks reported that department has had many inquiries regarding a family that seems to be living at the fairgrounds campground. CPS has been out there several times and not found any problem. The family will be moving into the House of Hope soon. Chief Marks checked on the fire truck access at the location for the food truck. It has been okayed by the Fire Chief. The department has received the new police vehicle but, it will be another month before all the lights and decals are on and it is ready to be on the road.

Finance – Debbie Mahler distributed monthly financial reports and graphs. She noted that sales tax is lower than this time last year, which she attributes mostly to the completion of the Second Street project. Hotel/Motel tax revenues and real estate excise tax are up from this time last year. The budget has already received 57% of budgeted revenues in the first quarter of the year and spent 19% of the budget.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor McCarthy reported that an Arts focused quarterly economic development meeting is to be held June 30<sup>th</sup>; the next meeting after that in September will be on new business incubation. The Mayor also reported that he had a training meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup> with Russell Sparkman and Michaleen McGarry for marketing city events through Infusion Soft. The Ethics Board now has two appointees. He interviewed someone last week and is still following up on that application. Ethics training was done for department supervisors earlier this year and then supervisors did the training with their employees. On May 7<sup>th</sup> the Mayor attended a conference in Bellingham where Langley's Main Street won several awards. Mayor McCarthy met with former Langley Fire Chief Andy O'Keefe about moving the Langley fire station sign up to the new District 3 station on Camano Avenue. The Drug Abuse Coalition did a briefing for South Whidbey School District Board with Helen Price Johnson on May 13<sup>th</sup>. The district was very appreciative and receptive and they have appointed a member to the coalition.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Michael Davolio reported that the city received one submission to the request for proposals on the sale of the fire hall. That submission was from the current lessor. Michael Davolio will be looking over the submission and making a recommendation to council be the next meeting.

### *Sewer Comp Plan Update.*

Robin Nelson, Paul Weller and Susan Boyd from Pace Engineering gave a power point presentation on the progress of the new sewer comprehensive plan. Susan went through specific points in the plan and explained the data they are using.

**MOTION:** To approve the contract with SRV Construction in the amount of \$122,286.41 for construction of the 3<sup>rd</sup> St. water main extension. Motion - Gill, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Black. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilman Allen recently attended a meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission where the Kleiners gave an update on their plans for the Doghouse. Mr. Allen brought a copy of the proposed plan and stated that they are planning to start the development soon. The Historic preservation commission approves of the plan; it does not change the historic character of the building. There are no changes to the front of the building.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION:** To bring to a first reading, an Ordinance amending LMC 10.13 regarding Camping time limits. Motion - Allen, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Gill. Motion was unanimously approved.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Rene Neff reported that Randy Perry, Stan Berryman and Cary Peterson looked at the water lines at the Cemetery and will make a report at the next Cemetery Board meeting. Bruce Allen reported that Choochokum planning is in the works. Robin Black will be attending her first board meeting of Island County Housing next week. Jim Sundberg will be absent from the Island Transit meeting on Friday, Bruce Allen will fill in for him. Thomas Gill reported the first Tuesday of June will be the quarterly Library Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie L. Mahler, Finance Director/Clerk