Mayor Kwarsick called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Present were City Council Members Hal Seligson, Jim Sundberg, Bruce Allen and Rene Neff. Doug Allderdice was out of town. The Council excused the absence of Doug Allderdice. Also present were Director of Finance/City Clerk, Debbie Mahler, and Police Chief Randy Heston. The flag salute was led by Mayor Kwarsick. The Consent Agenda was approved after corrections to the minutes and several questions on the vouchers.

CONSENT AGENDA

b. Claims Warrants Nos.29575-29576, 29636-29662 in the amount of $82,457.42

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Fred Luhndal reported that the Main Street golf cart worked very well for transporting people during Django Fest. Main Street is in favor of the City applying for grants for Sunday bus service. Marianne of the Chamber thanked the City for helping with the rehabilitation of the Doghouse for Django Fest weekend.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to sign the rural mobility grant application for Sunday bus service. Motion - Allen, 2nd - Seligson. Motion carried with all in favor.

MOTION: To approve the amended agreement between the Langley United Methodist Church and the City regarding parking. Motion - Neff, 2nd - Allen. Motion was unanimously approved.

MOTION: To approve the Mayor’s appointment of Jim Sundberg to the Library Board. Motion - Neff, 2nd - Allen. Motion was passed without opposition.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Kwarsick, Challis and Chief Heston met with a Creekside Terrace representative and Brookhaven personnel regarding the walkway connection. An easement agreement will come back to the City for approval. The Creekside owners would pay for the cost of cement, Brookhaven would pay for demolition and pruning and City public works will
construct the new walkway. Chief Heston was able to secure a $15,000 grant for radar traffic control signs. Randy & Challis are also working with the county to get the old Bayview school zone lights moved to the Middle School area. Randy is working with Island County to get the speed limit changed on Coles Road. It is a prolonged process; a traffic study has been done and a public hearing will be held in November at the County. Bob Snyder made a presentation for the funicular grant to the RCO. It was well received, but we will not know if we receive the grant until the end of the year. Village Pizzeria has applied for an expansion permit. The Commons got a grant for operations also.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Rene Neff reported that a group of people have asked the Cemetery Board for eight additional green graves. She asked the Council for permission to plat a new spot for those graves.

**MOTION:** To plat eight new green graves at the Langley Woodman Cemetery for resale. Motion – Allen, 2nd – Sundberg. Motion carried unanimously.

Rene also reported that the Cemetery has new compost bins and volunteers are building new garbage bins. A new brochure for the Cemetery was just printed. Hal Seligson asked that the budget process be detailed on the city’s website. Bruce Allen reported that the HUB received a check for $5,200 from Nancy Nordoff as a match to the money they raised. Someone left $40,000 to the HUB in their will. It will be a great help to the organization. Jim Sundberg reported that Sustainable Whidbey Committee is sponsoring a meet and greet for all Green Seal members October 25th - sustainable energy will be the topic with a vice president from PSE there, who will talk about their efforts. Jim also stated that the Island-Wide Tourism Committee’s website has beautiful videos of the area and details on where people can stay.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2013 Budget. Mayor Kwarsick presented the preliminary 2013 budget to the Council. The budget includes quite a bit of infrastructure projects and proposed grants and other funding. Vehicle and equipment needs were discussed and tourism spending. A more formal preliminary budget will be presented by the beginning of November.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie L. Mahler, Director of Finance/City Clerk