

CITY OF ROSLYN
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 8, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.
Roslyn Council Chambers, 201 S. 1st, Roslyn, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE: 7:00pm

Mayor Lockett called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, led the flag salute and asked the Clerk – Treasurer to call roll.

PRESENT: Mayor Neal Lockett, Councilmember Andy Januskiewicz,
Councilmember Laura Osiadacz, Councilmember Geoff Scherer,
Councilmember Nolan Weis, and Councilmember Derek Gruber

ABSENT: Councilmember Karen Flowers

MOTION: Councilmember Januskiewicz **MOTIONED** to excuse the absent Council Member. Councilmember Weis **SECONDED** the motion. The motion was **APPROVED 5-0.**

STAFF PRESENT: Amber Shallow, Clerk – Treasurer; Shawna Graham, Planner

OATH OF OFFICE: Mitchell Long, appointed December 11, 2012

Mayor Lockett asked the Clerk – Treasurer to administer the oath of office to the new council member.

Mayor Lockett commented that we had four really terrific candidates and each one of them could have brought something new and unique to the position. I would hope that the fact that they weren't appointed won't keep them from working to help the city in the future.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1.) Accounts Payable Checks of December 31, 2012, #13767 - #13783, in the amount of **\$40,184.40**
- 2.) Accounts Payable Checks of January 8, 2013, #13784 - #13789, in the amount of **\$46,360.22**
- 3.) Payroll Checks of December 15, 2012, #8113 - #8124, in the amount of **\$12,110.57**
- 4.) Longevity Payroll Checks of December 18, 2012, #8125 - #8131 in the amount of **\$826.99**
- 5.) Payroll Checks December 31, 2012, in the amount of **\$20,397.83**
- 6.) Minutes of Regular City Council meeting of October 9, 2012

Mayor Lockett read the consent agenda.

MOTION: Councilmember Scherer **MOTIONED** to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Long **SECONDED** the motion. The motion was **APPROVED 6-0.**

Councilmember Scherer asked what longevity checks were compared to regular payroll.

Amber Shallow, Clerk – Treasurer explained that per Roslyn Municipal Code employees who have been with the City for five years or more receive a yearly stipend check for a small amount. It is a way of retaining employees for longer periods of time.

CITIZEN’S COMMENTS: (non-agenda items)

Peg Bryant, Roslyn & CAC Representative – it is our understanding that Mitch is no longer a staff member is that correct? Mayor Lockett – actually Mitch has agreed to stay on as liaison for six months.

Ms. Bryant – we would like to see his expertise best served as part of the discussions, therefore, we would like to ask the city to consider having secretarial staff to come to the meetings to take minutes and set the agendas.

Councilmember Long – in the discussion we had at the last meeting they saw the value of having a Council Member present at the meetings to report to council but their concern is having minutes and agendas. Having those done by someone else is going to be necessary as I won’t have the time to do all those things in addition. I can do them for a little while but not too long as I’m finding that my new job is going to take a lot more than I had originally anticipated.

Rick Henderson, Vice-President of the Ronald/Roslyn/Cle Elum Heritage Club – on Labor Day weekend for the past 12 years we have had our event at the memorial on Pennsylvania Ave and this year the event will be from 10am – 11:30am. The crowds are growing every year and we are starting to encroach with the Sunday Market. We are requesting to have the entire section of Pennsylvania from 903 to the alley behind the NWI building during that time frame.

Councilmember Long – it might be a good idea to contact Jonine because she has been using the space between The Brick and the old Sodylicious and ask her to utilize that space more on that weekend.

Mr. Henderson – also we are going to ask for the detour on SR903 to start at 10am.

Police Chief Scott Ferguson – if you want to shut down the highway you need to go thru Washington State DOT.

Councilmember Long – I would recommend you specify your detour plans so staff can plan for it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

7.) AB13-001 Appointing Ann Marie Soto as the City Attorney

Mayor Lockett read the agenda bill for this item.

MOTION: Councilmember Gruber **MOTIONED** to approve AB13-001 appointing Ann Marie Soto. Councilmember Scherer **SECONDED** the motion. The motion was **APPROVED 6-0.**

Councilmember Weis – are we paying the same for Ann Marie Soto as we did for Margaret King? Mrs. Shallow responded that she didn’t believe so but was unsure.

Mayor Lockett – Ms. Soto is not here because I asked her not to since they were shutting the pass down for avalanche control for an indefinite amount of time and she lives on the West side.

Councilmember Long – Amber do you think she is qualified? Mrs. Shallow replied yes.

Mayor Lockett – on the meetings she attended in Margaret’s place she gave good advice.

INTRODUCTION:

8.) **AB13-002** Formal Code Interpretation of Roslyn Municipal Code Section 18.20.050 pertaining to non-conforming structures

Mayor Lockett read the agenda bill for this item.

Councilmember Osiadacz **motioned** for interpretation #1; the motion died for lack of a **second**.

Councilmember Weis **motioned** for better clarification of what is being asked; Councilmember Osiadacz **seconded** the motion; after the second was made Council and staff began the discussion.

Shawna Graham, City Planner, explained to Council what happened and gave an example to help explain interpretation number one. Per the code since the building foot print was over the maximum allowable amount you cannot add additional footprint to it, as that would increase the degree of non-conformity. Now let’s say you have a building that is 400 sq ft and 30 ft tall. It’s non-conformity is that it is 30’ tall, you could add an addition on it up to 800 sq ft but you couldn’t increase it to 35’ tall.

Councilmember Long – the agenda bill was a little unclear but I agree with Shawna’s explanation.

Ms. Graham – this is not a request to repeal the permit, that’s already been approved and been built. The issue is that a precedent has been set and what we are asking is that Council makes a formal interpretation to break that precedence.

Councilmember Januskiewicz – another way to look at this is that you could extend that building to a 5,000 sq ft footprint and we would have to apply that to all such as height, roof pitch etc.

Councilmember Osiadacz – concerned that by approving interpretation number two the way it is written we are stating that no one can expand.

MOTION: Councilmember Osiadacz **MOTIONED** to approve AB13-002 interpreting RMC 18.210.050(B) to mean that adding an additional footprint to a building that exceeds the maximum footprint is not allowed. Councilmember Januskiewicz **SECONDED** the motion. The motion was **APPROVED 6-0**.

Councilmember Scherer – does that meet your needs? Ms. Graham – yes it works.

It was further clarified amongst Council and staff that this interpretation will apply across the board to all non-conformities not just footprints.

At this point in the meeting Mayor Lockett invited Chief Ferguson to give his report.

Chief Ferguson, Police – we had an incredibly busy last few weeks going through the holidays. On Christmas night our officers were called to a First Street home in Cle Elum for a stabbing. An Officer was patrolling an alley and spotted individuals who were pushing a wheel barrow which ended up being filled with stolen items. New Year's Eve was busier than usual, a Roslyn resident was arrested for discharging a weapon in city limits and another arrest was made. On the 1st suspicious activity, the young individuals walking thru alley and we made contact, the next day we received a burglary call. A chainsaw was stolen from a garage and the officer tracked the saw to a pawn shop on the Westside and we were able to recover the saw. In Roslyn, an officer observed an individual who had a felony warrant and attempted to arrest the individual who then broke free and ran but the officer was able to chase him down and complete the arrest.

Mayor Lockett – we had a conversation the other day and you mentioned the radar unit in Cle Elum and possibly moving it from the cross walk. Chief Ferguson – there was some concern expressed that it draws attention away from the crosswalk and we may move it back to the speed limit sign.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Long – I'm wondering if it would be possible for Council to get a report on the projects that Gray & Osborne (G&O) is working on such as the water comp plan and the waterline over bridge replacement and the sanitary sewer improvements project.

Mayor Lockett – I think we should call G&O and have them come and give us an update.
Councilmember Long – sounds great.

Mayor Lockett – explained what the water line project entails, I know that G&O is behind schedule on some of their milestones so I think a report from them would help; and this all ties into our water/sewer rates.

Councilmember Januszkiewicz – usually those contracts require that they make a presentation and it's usually closer to the end of the project when they need feedback. I just want to make sure that they understand this meeting will be in addition to the meetings they are required to attend as part of their contracts.

Councilmember Long – maybe a written report for the Council to review prior to the meeting.

Councilmember Osiadacz – there is a lot of snow on the ground and chimney fires this time of year are common. The fire department has been trying to clear the hydrants around town but if you see one that needs clearing please help keep them clear.

Mayor Lockett – a couple of days ago I was working in my office at home, Loel Labberton and his wife live just down the street. A couple of years ago their dog suddenly died and they were really sad, ARRF had a notice that came out with a dog that looked just like theirs that needed a home. The dog's name is Sadie, my wife and I were unsure about telling them about it but someone else did and they adopted it. He was walking the dog and it decided to take care of business and Loel made sure he picked up the dogs prize. Later that day he went past with the dog again and once again he was holding another bag with the dog's prize and I just think that Loel & Jan are the type of people who give animal owners a good name.

Councilmember Weis wished everyone a happy new year.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:04pm

MOTION: Councilmember Weis **MOTIONED** to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Januskiewicz **SECONDED** the motion. The motion was **APPROVED 6-0.**

Neal R. Lockett, Mayor

Attest: _____
Amber Shallow, Clerk - Treasurer