

COUNCIL  *MINUTES*

Regular Meeting

June 5, 2012

Mayor Tom Odell called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 6:30 pm.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Tom Odell, Deputy Mayor John James, Councilmembers John Curley, Don Gerend, Ramiro Valderrama, Tom Vance and Nancy Whitten.

Staff present: City Manager Ben Yazici, Public Works Director Laura Philpot, Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Richardson, Administrative Services Director Mike Sauerwein, City Attorney Bruce Disend, and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll was called. Wolf Den 571 led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember James moved to amend the agenda by moving the Public Comment to come before the presentations. Councilmember Vance seconded.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Whitten moved to amend the Consent Agenda by removing Items #3-Resolution: Appointing Members to the Sammamish Youth Board and #9 Bid Award: Eastlake Ball field Project/Specialized Landscaping moving them to Unfinished Business.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember James requested that Item #12 - Approval: May 14, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes be removed from the consent agenda and moved to Unfinished Business.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Student Liaison Reports

- Eastlake High School (Felipe Concha) – Prom was last weekend and was a great success. The school year is winding down. He thanked Council for the opportunity to serve as Student Liaison.
- Eastside Catholic High School (Chad Brown) – School is over next Thursday. Baseball and LaCrosse teams placed second in state. He also thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve as the Student Liaison
- Skyline High School (Eric Thies) – Graduation is next week. The last day of school is June 17. The Prom was last week and was very successful.

Mayor Odell presented all the Liaisons with a certificate of appreciation for all their work this year as well as a small gift.

Public Comment

Frank Blau, 24742 SE 28th Place, He wanted to let the Council know that there are wild owls in Beaver Lake Park

John Balciunus, 2929 224th Place SE, Handed out written comments regarding using propane engines on Pine Lake. He requested that Council change the regulations to allow these types of engines on Pine Lake.

Kate Bradley 21625 SE 24th Street, She would like to see some off-lease dog hours in some of the parks, either very early in the morning or later in the evening.

Joyce O'Donnell , 4478 194th Way NE, She spoke regarding the barricades. She has done research on all of the remaining barricades. She provided this information to Council and staff.

Skip Safford, 233rd Avenue SE, He spoke about the Community center. He was very much against using money from the reserve fund for anything other than emergencies. He wanted to know how this money would be returned to the reserve fund if spent on a community center?

Erica Tiliacos, 1130 Lancaster Way SE, She spoke regarding the location of the proposed community garden. She has been performing a lot of volunteer time at the Lower Commons and she thinks this would be a very good place for the garden to be located. There is already irrigation there for the garden. It is very sunny and could be located in a part of the park that is currently underused.

Presentations/Proclamations

- Fire Services Study – City Manager Ben Yazici introduced Peter Moy, principle for FCS Group, the consultant hired by the City to prepare alternatives for funding of fire services. Mr. Moy gave a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us). FCS group recommends a funding option based on a per-station cost at a sharing of 50% assessed value and 50% incident responses. They recommended contracting with EF & R as the first option, contracting with Redmond as the second option and the third option would be to form a city fire department.

Mr. Yazici introduced Lee Felling, Chair of the Fire Study Technical Advisory Group (TAB) comprised which also included former Councilmembers Ron Haworth and Kathy Huckabay. He presented their recommendation for fire services. He explained that the TAB chose FCS Group to conduct the study of fire service alternatives. They considered four alternatives: (1) Remain in the interlocal agreement with EF & R with changes to the agreement, (2) Contract with EF & R, (3) Contract with the City of Redmond or (4) form a city Fire Department. The committee felt governance was the main factor in making this decision. The TAB does not feel that a long term partnership with EF & R will provide the best service for Sammamish. They do not feel that there can be enough amendments made to the current agreement that will allow for a beneficial partnership. The committee does feel that contracting with EF & R would allow the city to better control costs. Sammamish should pass a resolution that eliminates the future alternative of continuing the ILA, direct the City Manager to negotiate a contract with EF & R and finally, if no

contract can be reached, the City Manager would develop alternatives to either contract with City of Redmond or form its own fire department. These alternatives would then be presented to the City Council.

MOTION: Councilmember Vance move to direct staff to develop a resolution that reflects the recommendations of the TAB and to conduct any necessary steps needed to accomplish those recommendations. Councilmember Curley seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Council recessed from 8:43 pm to 8:54 pm

- Habitat for Humanity Award – Mr. Yazici explained that the City was given an award for helping to build affordable housing in the Issaquah Highlands.
- Emergency Management Plan/CERT – Deputy City Manager Lyman Howard gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us). Each Councilmember will be given a copy for review.
- Community Garden Location: Stephanie Hibner and Ann Precup, Co-Chairs of the Sammamish Community Garden Steering Committee and Ashley Walsh gave a presentation to Council. They showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us). They requested Council to direct the Parks staff to study the possibility of relocating the community garden to the Lower Sammamish Commons.

MOTION Deputy Mayor James moved to stop spending any further funds on the Beaver Lake Park site and direct staff to come back to Council with alternate sites at both the Lower Commons and the SE 8th street Park. Councilmember Curley seconded. Motion carried 4-3 with Councilmembers Gerend, Whitten and Valderrama dissenting.

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to direct staff to do some preliminary work on the feasibility of the Lower Commons as a new location. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion failed 2-5 with Mayor Odell, Deputy Mayor James and Councilmembers Vance, Curley and Gerend dissenting.

Consent Calendar

Payroll for the period ending May 15, 2012 for pay date May 18, 2012 in the amount of \$255,638.98

Approval: Claims for period ending May 21, 2012 in the amount of \$731,116.14 for Check No. 32011 through No. 32174

Approval: Claims for period ending June 5, 2012 in the amount of \$132,635.34 for Check No. 32175 through No. 32242

Interlocal: Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer District/2012 Overlay Project Utilities Coordination

Interlocal: Northeast Sammamish Sewer & Water District/2012 Overlay Project Utilities Coordination

Contract: On-Call Geotech/HWA

Contract: Special Event Sound/Live Sound Audio

Contract: Fireworks Display - Wolverine West

Approval: April 16, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approval: May 8, 2012 Study Session Notes

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to approve consent calendar as amended. Councilmember Curley seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Public Hearing

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to extend the time to 11:00 pm Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0

Unfinished Business

Resolution: Appointing Members to the Sammamish Youth Board (SYB)

Councilmember Whitten feels that there are too many students on the Youth Board from north end schools. She also noted that this is the first year when all applicants have not been appointed. She questioned why this was. Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Richardson explained that the applications are reviewed by the Leadership of the SYB and they do not know which schools students are from. They are also considering reducing the number of the youth board members in upcoming years as the board is getting to be unwieldy.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to approve the resolution. Deputy Mayor James seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7—0.

Bid Award: Eastlake Ball field Project/Specialized Landscaping

Councilmember Ramiro asked what the Lake Washington School District was providing for this project. Ms. Richardson explained that they have donated the land. We split the income from the fields. Community use hours will be 2,400 hours over the course of the year.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to authorize the City Manager to award the bid. Deputy Mayor James seconded. Motion carried 5-2 with Councilmembers Valderrama and Whitten dissenting.

Approval: May 14, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Deputy Mayor James moved to amend the minutes to include under Council Reports that Council authorized Eastside Transportation Partnership (ETP) representatives Councilmember Curley, Deputy Mayor James or alternates, Mayor Odell and Councilmember Gerend could cast votes on the Council's behalf in an emergency situation at ETP meetings. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

New Business -None

Council Reports - None

Committee Reports - None

City Manager Report

- Transportation Comprehensive Plan, Level of Service and Impact Fees
- Neighborhood Drainage Projects
- 228th Avenue Operational Analysis

Executive Session – Executive Session – Property Acquisition pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) and Personnel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

Council retired to Executive Session at 10:30 pm and returned at 11:15 pm. No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 pm.

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Thomas T. Odell, Mayor