

COUNCIL MINUTES

Special Meeting December 8, 2009

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

Councilmembers present: Mayor Don Gerend, Councilmembers Mark Cross, Lee Felling, Kathleen Huckabay, Michele Petitti and Nancy Whitten (arrived 6:35 pm) .

Councilmember Absent: Deputy Mayor Jack Barry.

MOTION: Councilmember Cross moved to excuse Deputy Mayor Barry. Councilmember Petitti seconded. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Staff present: City Manager Ben Yazici, Deputy City Manager Pete Butkus, Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol, Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Richardson, City Attorney Bruce Disend, and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Councilmember Cross led the pledge.

Public Comment - None

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Felling moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Proclamations/Presentations

➤ **Lake Washington School District Levy Support Request**

Chip Kimball, Lake Washington School District (LWSD) Superintendent, He spoke regarding the LWSD proposed levy and ballot measures which will be brought to the voters in February 2010. He explained the need for the funding and requested the Council to publicly support these measures.

Byron Shutz, 3306 181st Place NE, Redmond, Spoke in support of the school district levy and bond. He asked the Council to approve a resolution in support of these measures and the voters of Sammamish support these measures.

Barb Bellinghurst, 7619 NE 125th, Kirkland, She also spoke in favor of the funding measures.

John Vaille, 25807 SE 42nd Way, Issaquah, He also spoke in support of the measurers.

No one spoke in opposition to the bond and levy. Council requested that a resolution be brought back before the Council at the next meeting.

➤ **Mayor's Month of Concern Food Drive Results**

Mary Trask, ARAS Foundation, reported on the results of the food drive and gave a short PowerPoint presentation.

Consent Calendar

- Payroll for pay period ending November 30, 2009 for pay date December 4, 2009 in the amount of \$248,125.51

Amendment: Public Notice Sign Installation/Piedmont Signs

MOTION: Consent calendar approved unanimously 6-0.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Resolution: Assigning Position Numbers And Appointing One Member To The Sammamish Parks And Recreation Commission (R2009-395)

Parks and Recreation Director Jessi Richardson gave the staff report.

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to appoint Nora Whittmore to a permanent position on the Parks and Recreation Commission. Councilmember Fellingge seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to approve the resolution assigning position numbers to the current Commissioners as follows below. Councilmember Fellingge seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Position #1: Rena Brady	Term Extended 2-Years, Expires, December 31, 2012
Position #2: Pauline Cantor	Term Extended 2-Years, Expires, December 31, 2012
Position #3: Judy Peterson	Term Extended 2-Years, Expires, December 31, 2012
Position #4: Gail Michelman	Term Expires December 31, 2010
Position #5: Nora Whitmore	Term Expires December 31, 2010
Position #6: Randy Jackson	Term Expires December 31, 2011
Position #7: Mary Doerrer	Term Expires December 31, 2011
Position #8: John James	Term Expires December 31, 2011
Position #9: Hank Klein	Term Expires December 31, 2011

Resolution: Modifying the Procedure for Selecting the Mayor

City Manager Ben Yazici gave the staff report. He explained that the RCW 35A.13.030 requires Code Cities, such as Sammamish, to appoint a mayor only once every two years. He explained that there are good reasons for only selecting a mayor every two years. Sammamish is the only Code City to elect the mayor every year.

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to adopt the resolution modifying the process for selecting the Mayor. Councilmember Cross seconded.

MOTION Councilmember Petitti moved to postpone the decision to the December 15, 2009 meeting. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Council Reports

Mayor Gerend reported that he and Councilmember Felling attended the Eastside Fire and Rescue Board Meeting. They voted against the expenditure budget because they felt it was not balanced.

City Manager Report

- **Impact Fee Report** (This item was delayed)
- **2009 Comprehensive Plan Docket Report**

Assistant City Manager/Director of Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us).

Councilmember Whitten expressed concern that, considering the docket requests for the Comprehensive Plan will undo all the work done previously to limit density and impacts on the environment. Mr. Gurol clarified that staff is not in support of the docket requests, they are only supporting that these requests be considered as part of the 2011 Comprehensive Plan update. Councilmembers Cross and Petitti shared concerns over reopening the Town Center Plan to consider these docket requests. Mayor Gerend expressed support for considering the docket requests.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Donald J. Gerend, Mayor