

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting April 1, 2008

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

Councilmembers present: Mayor Lee Felling, Deputy Mayor Don Gerend, Councilmembers Jack Barry, Michele Petitti, Mark Cross and Nancy Whitten.

Councilmembers absent: Councilmember Kathleen Huckabay.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Gerend moved to excuse Councilmember Huckabay. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Staff present: City Manager Ben Yazici, Deputy City Manager Pete Butkus, Public Works Director John Cunningham, Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol, Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Richardson, Administrative Services Director Mike Sauerwein, City Attorney Bruce Disend, and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Ellie Bump led the pledge.

Proclamations/Presentations

- **Presentation: Dino Rossi** – Mayor Felling presented Dino Rossi with a plaque to thank him for all of his help in promoting the SR520 flyover ramp.
- **Presentation: Kathy Lambert** – Mayor Felling presented a plaque to Representative Kathy Lambert for her help in the transfer of 30 acres of Soaring Eagle Park from the County to the City.
- **Proclamation: Native Plant Appreciation Week** – Mayor Felling and Parks and Recreation Commissioner Rena Brady read the proclamation

• **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, native plant species are an important part of Washington's heritage, providing important aesthetic, economic, and ecological contributions that make Washington a special place to live; and

WHEREAS, Washington enjoys an amazing diversity of over 3000 native plant species from rain forest plants on the Olympic Peninsula to the desert species in eastern Washington; and

WHEREAS, preserving native plant ecosystems is critical for the protection of birds, fish, and other wildlife, as well as water quality; and

WHEREAS, over 360 of our native plant species are listed as rare by the state's Natural Heritage Program; AND

WHEREAS, invasive species present a threat to sustaining the native plant ecosystems and the biodiversity that they enable;

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the Sammamish City Council, I, Lee Felling, Mayor of the City of Sammamish, do hereby proclaim the week of April 27 – May 3, 2008, as

Native Plant Appreciation Week

And I urge all citizens to join us in appreciating, enjoying, and celebrating our botanical diversity by taking advantage of the opportunities of this week to learn more about our native plants, their habitats, and how to protect them. Take a native plant walk, visit a natural area, or become involved in a restoration project as we join together to celebrate this precious heritage.

Washington native plants are those species that occur or occurred within the state boundaries before European settlement based upon the best available scientific and historical documentation. (Washington Native Plant Society)

Public Comment

Steffanie Lapellie, Leadership Eastside, She explained what this program was about and how it could help the City of Sammamish.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to remove items 5, 6 and 7 from the agenda. Deputy Mayor Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Consent Calendar

Payroll for pay period ending March 15, 2008 for pay date March 20, 2008 in the amount of \$222,586.75

Approval: March 17, 2008 Study Session Notes

Approval: March 18, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes

Contract: Pine Lake Park Picnic Shelter Replacement/Denneko

Contract: Pergola Remodel/Ellis Construction

Bid Award: Storage Moving/Sprint Moving and Storage

Bid Award: South Pine Lake Route Walkway Project/Hos Brothers

Bid Rejection: Performance Stage Purchase

The Consent Agenda was approved as amended.

Unfinished Business

Interlocal: Soaring Eagle Park Transfer Agreement/ King County

Mr. Yazici gave the staff report. The interlocal authorizes the transfer of the property from the County to the City. There is no financial impact attached to this transfer.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Gerend moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the Interlocal Agreement with King County to transfer 30 acres of Soaring Eagle Park to the City. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

New Business

Contract: Beaver Lake Waterline/HDC

Parks and Recreation Director Jessi Richardson gave the staff report. This contract will repair a leak in the water line and add an additional water line to the new off-lease dog area.

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the contract with HDC to repair the waterline. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Contract: South Pine Lake Route Construction Management/KBA, Inc.

Public Works Director John Cunningham gave the staff report. This contract is for the construction management of the South Pine Lake Route Project.

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to authorize the City Manager to sign a contract with KBA, Inc. for construction management. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Contract: Hearing Examiner Services/Crandall/Galt

City Attorney Bruce Disend gave the staff report. He explained the request for proposal process and the reasons why staff is making the recommendation that they are presenting tonight.

Councilmember Whitten requested an Executive Session to discuss the contracts. Mr. Disend requested that the Council take a recess to determine if an Executive Session is warranted. Mayor Felling postponed a vote on this item until after the recess.

Resolution: Updated Beaver Lake Management Plan (R2008-324)

Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol gave the staff report. He introduced Sally Abella, King County and Ray Petitt, Beaver Lake Board Member. This plan reflects that the quality of the water in the lake remains good.

MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to adopt the resolution approving the updated Beaver Lake Management Plan. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (with Councilmember Barry and Petitti out of the room).

Councilmember Whitten feels that there has not been enough time to study the plan before making a decision. She feels it should be the topic of a study session. Mr. Disend explained that accepting this report does preclude developing land use regulations, such as Low Impact Development.

Council recessed from 7:55 pm to 8:05 pm

Approval: Claims for period ending April 1, 2008 for Check No. 20426 through Check No.20511 in the amount of \$1,011,466.71

MOTION: Councilmember Barry moved to approve the claims. Deputy Mayor Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Interlocal: An Agreement between King County and the City of Sammamish Relating to Historical Landmark Designations and Protection Services

City Manager Ben Yazici gave the staff report. This item was brought before the City Council at a Study Session in October, 2007.

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the interlocal agreement with King County for Historical Landmark Designations and Protection Services. Deputy Mayor Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Ordinance: First Reading Adding A New Chapter To The Sammamish Municipal Code Relating To The Protection And Preservation Of Landmarks

Mr. Yazici gave the staff report. This is the first reading of this ordinance. It will be necessary to have public review and comment on this ordinance before it will come back to Council for a second reading.

Discussion continued on the Hearing Examiner Services contracts.

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to authorize the City Manager to sign contracts with Mr. Crandall and Mr. Galt for Hearing Examiner Services. Deputy Mayor Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Council Reports

Councilmember Petitti attended the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) meeting. The General Assembly Meeting for PSRC will be held April 24. She attended a Suburban Cities Conference on connecting youth with cities. She is scheduling a committee to meet

regularly regarding the Freed House and encouraged any interested residents to contact her about serving on the Committee.

Councilmember Whitten reported that A.P.P.L.E. is very interested in the Beaver Lake Study.

Councilmember Gerend reported on the Water Resource Inventory Area 8 Kokanee Working Group. The Kokanee Salmon count appears to be dangerously low.

Mayor Felling reported Council that they have three very big issues to deal with in the near future. They are: Town Center, a parks bond and the budget retreat. He asked if Council would approve a back up date of June 9, 2008 for final consideration of the Town Center Plan.

City Manager Report

➤ **Update: Email Retention**

Mr. Yazici stated that Council emails will be backed up on a monthly basis starting April 1, 2008.

Issaquah City Council has asked for \$6,300 in financial assistance for stocking fish in the lakes. Mr. Yazici recommends that the city provide the money.

He also thanked Councilmember Lambert for the \$10,000 King County grant which was used to purchase a generator for the Beaver Lake shop.

➤ **Update: Discovery Wetland**

Mr. Cunningham and Senior Project Engineer Jed Ireland gave the staff report. Though there are some improvements that can be made, on the whole, the wetland is functioning properly and beginning to return to its normal state. City staff will continue to monitor the wetland.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Lee Felling, Mayor