

**City of Sammamish
City Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
May 3, 2000**

Mayor Jack Barry called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Jack Barry, Deputy Mayor Troy Romero (9:18 p.m.), Councilmembers Phil Dyer, Don Gerend, Ron Haworth, Kathleen Huckabay and Kenneth Kilroy.

Staff present: City Manager Michael Wilson, City Attorney Bruce Disend, Chief Dick Baranzini, Administrative Services Director Dennis Richards, Public Works/Finance Director Ben Yazici, Community Development Director Ray Gilmore, and Acting City Clerk Ruth Muller.

Student Liaisons: Jamie Furse, Skyline High School and Montsine Nshom, Eastlake High School.

Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called and Councilmember Dyer led the pledge.

Introduction of Special Guests and Presentations

Councilmember Dyer welcomed members of Boy Scout Troop No. 677 and leader Don Brockin in attendance at this meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Kilroy moved that the agenda be approved. Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six votes.

Public Comment

Betty DeWitt, 21130 S. E. 28th Place, expressed concern that no newsletter has been prepared this year. There is a need to provide good information to the citizens about what is being accomplished by the Council since too much misinformation is circulating throughout the community.

Len Mattson, 19546 S. E. 24th Way, submitted a letter to the Council asking that they reconsider his hardship exemption request.

Tom Harmon, 2302 West Beaver Lake Drive S.E., reported that the Sammamish Symphony will be presenting a concert at 2:00 p.m. May 7, 2000.

Barbara Bently, 21407 N. E. 6th Place, expressed concerns about the numerous signs along 228th Avenue Northeast.

Mark Schmitz, 1111 212th Ave. N.E., asked that information on complex issues be communicated to the public in clear language, how major/minor arterials differ and what this means to the average citizen as to the affect it has on driving to and from work.

Janet Irons, 26022 S. E. 36th Street, expressed concern that the Council will no longer hear land use appeals. During the election campaign councilmembers promoted their expertise and ability to run a City, and she is disappointed that they are not doing the job they were elected to do. A citizen advisory committee is needed for development of the comprehensive plan, and it is necessary to have more than two public meetings in order to get adequate input from the public.

Consent Calendar

Councilmember Dyer moved that the consent calendar be approved. Councilmember Huckabay seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six votes approving (a) Claims for the period ending April 28, 2000 in amount of \$79,510.86, (b) payroll for period April 1-15, 2000 in amount of \$42,615.64, and (c) minutes of regular council meeting April 5, 2000.

New Business

Ordinance No. O2000-58: Councilmember Haworth moved to adopt Ordinance No. O2000-53 Amending Section 14 of the Sammamish Building Code and Creating a New Subsection to Reference Penalties for Fire Lane Violations. Councilmember Kilroy seconded the motion. City Attorney Disend said that this is a housekeeping item since reference to fire lane violations was inadvertently omitted from the building code ordinance. The motion was approved unanimously with six votes.

Ordinance No. O2000-64: Councilmember Haworth moved to adopt Ordinance No. O2000-64 Amending the Sammamish Criminal Code to Include Penalties for Fire Lane Violations. City Attorney Disend said that this is a companion amendment to provide for penalties for fire lane violations. The motion carried unanimously with six votes.

Council and Committee Reports

Councilmember Huckabay distributed a draft vision statement and asked for comments back to the Community Development Committee for review at the next committee meeting.

Councilmember Kilroy reported that the Public Safety Committee is continuing discussion about fire services for the city.

Councilmember Huckabay reported that the Finance Committee has reviewed the draft newsletter that is scheduled to be mailed the end of May. The committee is working on new policies for support of human service providers.

Councilmember Haworth provided a summary of the fire service options and the discussions the city has had with fire service providers since November 1999.

Student Liaison Nshom reported that Eastlake High School student scholarship recognitions are scheduled for May 24 and she will report later on the time for this event. Interviews for the next student liaison will be held May 23 at 2:00 p.m.

Student Liaison Furse reported that May 22 – 26 is Skyline Spring Spirit Week.

Councilmember Gerend reported on his attendance at a Regional Transportation Summit meeting in Bellevue for discussion of funding and public transportation issues.

Mayor Barry reported that King County Executive Sims has invited the City to a review meeting on the draft EIS for the East Lake Sammamish Trail project May 9.

City Manager and Staff Reports

City Manager Wilson introduced Ray Gilmore, new Community Development Director; provided status of newsletter publication; and advised that the website is now carrying information covering traffic impacts on 228th Avenue.

Administrative Services Director Richards reported on staff hiring and City Hall facility changes.

Chief Baranzini reported that there was good community involvement in the Safety Fair April 29. Chief Baranzini introduced Officer Jose Marengo, voted as Officer of the Year for 1999, and Officer Jessica Belcher, voted as Officer of First Quarter for 2000. Mayor Barry presented Certificate of Achievement to the two officers.

Public Works/Finance Director Yazici reported that funding has been approved by the state for the SR202 improvements that are now in the design phase; workshops are planned in mid-June to receive community input on 228th Avenue design; several Sammamish projects are now included in Eastside Transportation Partnership program; an arterial street light project should be completed this year; there is interest from neighboring cities in regional discussions of transportation corridors affecting the communities; and provided information explaining the difference between primary and principle arterials. East Lake Sammamish Parkway classification change is not critical at this time, and he suggests that the City not take the next step on this arterial reclassification until there can be opportunity for further input from the community.

Councilmember Kilroy moved that the Public Works Director be directed to proceed with arterial classification change submittals to Washington State Department of Transportation and Puget Sound Regional Council, but withhold East Lake Sammamish Parkway at this time. Councilmember Huckabay seconded the motion. City Manager Wilson advised that he has requested another consulting firm to review these classification changes in response to questions raised by Councilmember Kilroy at the April 26, 2000 meeting; that report should be available May 4.

Councilmember Romero arrived at 9:18 p.m.

Councilmembers discussed the need for additional input on the classification change for this street; what impact, if any, the delay in classification might have; and the need to clarify to the public what such a classification change means to the community. The motion to delay classification change approval process on East Lake Sammamish Parkway carried unanimously.

Community Development Director Gilmore said he is pleased to be working in Sammamish, is reviewing how to address the permit workload and explained the process for development of the City's comprehensive plan and unified development code.

City Attorney Disend advised that there will be an executive session at the end of the meeting for discussion of litigation.

Public Comment

Tom Harmon, 2302 West Beaver Lake Road S.E., advised that Klahanie Homeowners Association is scheduling a meeting to discuss with the City and the Water/Sewer District options for their community.

Vicki Beres, 2305 East Lake Sammamish Way S.E., expressed appreciation for the staff and Council response to the community as the City addresses concerns of the citizens.

Andrea Timlin, representing the Plateau Estates neighborhood, said that she is concerned about the recent work done on 229th and 230th Place and that this areaz may become a maintenance problem in the future.

Mayor Barry announced that the Council will go into Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes to discuss litigation.

The meeting recessed to Executive Session at 9:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:02 p.m.

Councilmember Gerend moved that the meeting adjourn. Deputy Mayor Romero seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Ruth Muller, Acting City Clerk

Mayor Jack Barry