

# COUNCIL MINUTES

## Regular Meeting December 18, 2007

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

**Councilmembers present:** Mayor Mark Cross, Deputy Mayor Lee Felling (arrived at 6:40 pm), Councilmembers Jack Barry (arrived at 7:30 pm), Don Gerend, Kathleen Huckabay, Michele Petitti and Nancy Whitten.

**Staff present:** City Manager Ben Yazici, Deputy City Manager Pete Butkus, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Lyman Howard, Public Works Director John Cunningham, Senior Project Engineer Jed Ireland, Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Richardson, City Attorney Bruce Disend, and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

### Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Skyline Spartan Football Team Captain led the pledge.

### Public Comment

Richard Kuprewicz, 4643 192<sup>nd</sup> Drive NE, Spoke regarding the barricades in several areas throughout the city. He is an expert in risk management. He does not recommend removing all of the barricades within the city. Removal should be considered on a case by case basis. He formerly requested the reasons that a sign has been placed on the 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Opticom gates.

### Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Felling moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

### Student Liaison Report

**Skyline Student Liaisons** (Kim Lammers): Today was the last day of school before the holiday vacation. The food drive was very successful. Skyline will add a new gym and new wing to the school this summer

**Eastlake Student Liaison** (*Michelle Holmes*): School is winding down to Winter Break. The Black and White dance was last week. They held a fundraiser for World Vision. MLK assembly will be held after the break.

## **Proclamations/Presentations**

### **Proclamation: Skyline Spartans State Champs**

Mayor Mark Cross, speaking on behalf of the entire City Council, proclaimed December 18, 2007 to be Spartan Day in Sammamish. This commemorates a great football season capped off by a victory in the 3A championship game. The proclamation read as follows:

WHEREAS the Skyline High School Football Team finished the 2007 Kingco football season with an impressive overall mark of 14-0, and

WHEREAS, fifteen members of the team earned first team All Kingco Conference Honors and six players were named to the All Conference second team, and

WHEREAS, in one of the biggest comebacks by a team in the history of the 3A state tournament, Skyline defeated O'Dea Irish for the 2007 3A state championship, and

WHEREAS their success is an example of the passion, perseverance, and commitment to excellence embraced by the City of Sammamish,

NOW, THEREFORE, On Behalf of the Sammamish City Council, and in recognition of the outstanding achievement of the Coaches and Student Athletes of the Skyline Spartan Football Program, I hereby proclaim December 18, 2007 to be Skyline Spartan Day in the City of Sammamish.

### **Consent Calendar**

**Payroll for pay period ending November 30, 2007 for pay date December 5, 2007 in the amount of \$200,823.35**

**Approval: Claims for period ending December 13, 2007 for Check No. 19661 through Check No. 19763 in the amount of \$1,346,646.08**

**Contract: Evans Creek Preserve Traffic Analysis/DEA**

**Contract: 244th Construction Management/KBA**

**Amendment: 244th Avenue Project Design/Lochner**

Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

**Unfinished Business - none**

## New Business

### **Approval: 2008 Human Service Grant Awards**

City Clerk Melonie Anderson gave the staff report. She reviewed the applicants and explained the reasoning for the grant recommendations.

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Felling moved to approve the 2008 Human Service Grant Awards. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

### *2008 Human Service Grant Awards*

<i>Organization</i>	<i>Staff Recommendation</i>
Assistance League of the Eastside	\$5,000.00
Athletes for Kids	\$10,000.00
AtWork!	\$2,200.00
Child Care Resources	\$5,150.00
Eastside Baby Corner	\$5,000.00
Eastside Domestic Violence Program	\$10,000.00
Eastside Legal Assistance Program	\$2,000.00
Elder and Adult Day Services	\$10,000.00
Encompass	\$6,500.00
Faith in Action/Providence Marianwood Foundation	\$10,000.00
Friends of Issaquah Salmon Hatchery	\$1,000.00
Friends of Youth	\$10,000.00
Harborview Children's Response Center	\$2,600.00
Kindering Center	\$10,000.00
King County Sexual Assault Resource Center	\$2,600.00
Lake Washington Schools Foundation	\$1,500.00
National Alliance for the Mentally Ill	\$4,000.00
North and Eastside Healthy Start Consortium (NESH)	\$3,500.00
Northwest Mentoring & Educational Center	\$7,000.00

Hopelink/Redmond Emergency Services	\$5,500.00
Skyline High School	\$1,000.00
St. Vincent DePaul	\$5,000.00
Youth Eastside Services	\$10,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$129,550.00</b>

**Resolution: Adopting a Policy for Facility Rentals at the Sammamish City Hall**

Parks and Recreation Director Jessi Richardson gave the staff report. She explained the limitations on rentals and said that this is going to be a trial policy which will be reexamined in six months.

**Resolution: Adopting a Policy for Co-Sponsorship for City Hall Rental**

Ms. Richardson explained what types of groups would be able to qualify for co-sponsorship rental rates. 50% local membership in the organization will be required.

**Resolution: Non-Profit Use of City Facilities Policy**

Standards for qualifying for this rate are similar to the co-sponsorship policy. All three of these policies will be reviewed in six months to see if any changes need to be made. Ms. Richardson explained that the definition of non-profit will be changed to require 501(C).

**MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to approve Resolutions R2007-307, R2007-308 and R2007-309. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.**

**Discussion: E-Mail Policy**

City Attorney Bruce Disend gave the staff report. (The complete text of the staff report is available upon request) Mr. Disend offered the following suggestions: If a citizen sends an email to all seven councilmembers, and a councilmember responds to the citizen he should add a line that tells other councilmembers not to respond. All seven councilmembers may respond to the citizen, they cannot respond to each other. He strongly urged Councilmembers to use only city-issued laptops for official city business.

Council requested specific language from Mr. Disend that cautions other councilmembers not to respond, as well as language added to the website that warns citizens that any email they send to councilmembers is subject to public disclosure rules. Council also directed staff to begin routinely copying all Council email to cd to be available for public request. The details will be established later.

Council recessed from 8:40 pm to 8:45 pm.

## **Council Reports**

Councilmember Barry reported on Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting. He said the meeting focused on the Fire Chief's evaluation. He also reported that he thinks benchmarks will be added to his evaluation for next year.

Mayor Cross said he had a discussion with King County Legislator Larry Phillips about the transfer of 30 acres of Soaring Eagle Park to the city. Mr. Phillips indicated that he would like to see a condition added to the property transfer that would require a Master Plan and funding of the project within 10 years. Council was not supportive of funding the project within 10 years.

## **City Manager Report**

City Manager Ben Yazici reported that work is moving forward on remodeling the Sween House for non-profit use.

The City Manager will be checking to see if there are some other sources for insurance coverage for the city.

The City of Issaquah has decided not to annex Klahanie into their city limits. The City Manager is doing some research to see what options might be available to Sammamish if Klahanie were to be included in the city's Potential Annexation Area.

Council discussed the agenda for the Council Retreat.

Councilmember Whitten volunteered to continue to be the representative on the Suburban Cities Policy Issues Committee (PIC) with Councilmember Gerend as the backup. Councilmembers Gerend and Huckabay will represent the City on the Eastside Transportation Partnership Board.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 pm

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Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

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Mark Cross, Mayor