

City of St. Helens

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Session Minutes

June 3, 2015

Members Present: Randy Peterson, Mayor
Doug Morten, Council President
Keith Locke, Councilor
Susan Conn, Councilor
Ginny Carlson, Councilor

Staff Present: John Walsh, City Administrator
Kathy Payne, City Recorder
Margaret Jeffries, Library Director
Neal Sheppard, Interim Public Works Co-Director
Sue Nelson, Interim Public Works Co-Director
Jacob Graichen, City Planner
Jenny Dimsho, Assistant Planner
Cindy Phillips, Municipal Court Judge
Anthony Miltich, Police Detective

Others: Mark Miller Amanda Frink Patrick Birkle
Albert Schneider Jacob Jones Dylan Gaston
Many others in attendance.



7:00PM – Call Regular Session to Order – Mayor Peterson

Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Peterson

Invitation to Citizens for Public Comment

♦Patrick Birkle. He is here to address the ordinance regarding smoking, tobacco and marijuana use. He has concerns about enforcement and making sure the ordinance is not undermined by a lack of enforcement. He supports the intent of the ordinance.

Oath of Office

Judge Cindy Phillips administered the oath of office to new Police Officer Dylan Gaston. Welcome aboard, Dylan!!

Recognition - Civilian Medal of Valor

Detective Anthony Miltich was in attendance to present the recognition.

On March 27, 2015, shortly before 4 p.m., Oakwood Drive became the scene of a tragic and violent incident. The sounds of an angry neighbor threatening a young man caught the attention of Albert Schneider, who lives across the street from this young man and has become a family friend.

Albert walked across the street to see if he could help his friend and soon found himself in a fight for his life, suffering a nearly fatal gunshot wound. In spite of his injuries, Albert managed to disarm the attacker and in the process fell to the ground.

Jacob Jones, who lives nearby, was alerted of the situation and immediately responded. It took Jacob only seconds to realize what had happened and as he looked around he spotted the attacker, who had retrieved another firearm and was returning to finish his attack on the young man, and now Albert.

Without regard for his own life, Jacob successfully disarmed the attacker and tackled him to the ground, holding him there until the police arrived.

Neither Albert nor Jacob was armed.

Heroism is defined as "great courage." Albert and Jacob were true heroes that day. St. Helens is a much better place for having them as citizens of our city.

Since the St. Helens Police Department's inception in the late 1890's, I can find no other time that this award has ever been presented.

On behalf of the City of St. Helens, the Mayor, City Council, Police Commissioner and the Chief of Police, it is with great honor and pride that I, along with Police Commissioner Keith Locke, present the Civilian Medal of Heroism to Albert Schneider and Jacob Jones.

Recognition – Splash Pad Volunteers

Mayor Peterson recognized the following individuals for their work on the splash pad in Columbia View Park:

- Keith Forsythe
- Al Petersen
- Anita Goodwin
- Ginny Carlson
- Jill Stockwell
- Joseph Lewis
- Juli Knapp
- Melanie Veach
- Sean Demings
- Tina Kammerzelt

Continued Deliberations

Community Development Code Amendments

Jacob Graichen presented his staff report. A copy is included in the archive meeting packet. He reviewed the various buffer distance options between marijuana dispensary/retail establishments. Staff recommends the Council adopt the new code by emergency.

Discussion ensued about the buffer distance options. Graichen recommends choosing a buffer area between 1,000 – 2,5000 feet.

The consensus of the Council was to have the buffer at 2,000 feet.

Deliberations

Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Parks & Trails Master Plan

Motion: Upon Carlson's motion and Morten's second, the Council unanimously adopted the Parks & Trails Master Plan.

Deliberations

FY2015-16 State Revenue Sharing

Motion: Upon Conn's motion and Carlson's second, the Council unanimously approved the recommendation of the Budget Committee to use State Revenue Sharing dollars for the general fund.

FY2015-16 Budget Adoption – continued to June 17 at 6:30p.m.

Ordinances – First Readings

A. **Ordinance No. 3187:** An Ordinance Amending St. Helens Municipal Code Section 6.04, Animal Control, Allowing Temporary Use of Goats for Targeted Grazing Purposes
Mayor Peterson read Ordinance No. 3187 by title for the first time. The final reading will be held at the next regular session.

B. **Ordinance No. 3188:** An Ordinance Amending St. Helens Municipal Code Chapter 8, Health and Safety, Regarding Prohibiting Smoking, Tobacco and Marijuana Use in City Parks and on Posted City-Owned Property
Mayor Peterson read Ordinance No. 3188 by title for the first time. The final reading will be held at the next regular session.

C. **Ordinance No. 3189:** An Ordinance Amending the St. Helens Municipal Code Chapters 17.24, 17.84, and 17.108
Mayor Peterson read Ordinance No. 3189 by title for the first time. The final reading will be held at the next regular session.

Resolutions

A. **Resolution No. 1699:** A Resolution of the St. Helens City Council to Set Planning Department Fees
Mayor Peterson read Resolution No. 1699 by title. **Motion:** Upon Locke's motion and Carlson's second, the Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 1699. [Ayes: Locke, Carlson, Conn, Morten, Peterson; Nays: None]

Award Bid for 2015 Street Striping Project to Specialized Pavement Marking, Inc.

The long lines (centerline skips, fog lines, and bike lane striping) on City streets require annual repainting to maintain visibility and reflectivity. This requires specialized equipment and materials that the City does not own. This required work is contracted out on an annual basis based on competitive quotes from qualified contractors.

Quotes were requested from three qualified contracting firms and were due Tuesday, May 26, 2015. The results are as follows:

| FIRM | LOCATION | BID |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Specialized Pavement Marking, Inc. | Tualatin, OR | \$19,350.00 |
| Apply-A-Line, Inc. | Portland, OR | \$20,115.00 |
| Hicks Striping & Curbing | Brooks, OR | No Bid |

The estimate for the project is \$25,000. This project is identified in the current 2014/15 Budget as Street Striping, account 011-011-549980.

Recommendation:

Award the contract for the 2015 Annual Street Striping Project to Specialized Pavement

Marking, Inc. as the lowest responsive bidder and authorize the Mayor to execute a Materials and Services Contract for the 2015 Annual Street Striping Project, R-645. Contract will be at the rate prescribed in that firm's submitted bid.

Motion: Upon Conn's motion and Morten's second, the Council unanimously awarded the contract for the 2015 street striping project to Specialized Pavement Marking, Inc.

Approve and/or Authorize for Signature

- A. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement with Mason, Bruce & Girard for City Forester Services
- B. IGA with Port of St. Helens for Intergovernmental Partnership Program
- C. Contract Payments

Motion: Upon Locke's motion and Morten's second, the Council unanimously approved 'A' through 'C' above.

Appointments to City Boards/Commissions

Library Board (4-year terms)

- Nancy Bensen's and Mary Woiccak's terms expire 6/30/2015. Neither of them wish to be reappointed.
- Alex Mann will be resigning 6/30/2015.

Status: A press release was sent out on April 8 to recruit applicants. We have received three applications.

Next Meeting: June 16, 2015

Recommendation: The Library Board recommends appointing Vanessa Jones and Mary Ellen Funderburg. Their terms will expire 6/30/2015.

Motion: Upon Conn's motion and Morten's second, the Council unanimously appointed Vanessa Jones and Mary Ellen Funderburg to the Library Board.

Consent Agenda for Acceptance

- A. Library Board Minutes dated April 16, 2015
- B. Accounts Payable Bill List

Motion: Upon Conn's motion and Locke's second, the Council unanimously accepted 'A' through 'B' above.

Consent Agenda for Approval

- A. Street Closure Requests:
 - i. Kiwanis Community Parade – Saturday, June 20
 - ii. 4th of July Events – Saturday, July 4
- B. Animal Facility Licenses
- C. Council Work Session, Public Hearing and Regular Session Minutes dated May 20, 2015
- D. Accounts Payable Bill List

Motion: Upon Morten's motion and Conn's second, the Council unanimously approved 'A' through 'D' above.

Council Reports

Mayor Peterson reported...

- Nothing to report.

Councilor Conn reported...

- Nothing to report.

Council President Morten reported...

- We now have a Code Enforcement Officer working on Mondays and Tuesdays through the summer.

Councilor Carlson reported...

- She was really impressed with the attendance of the Police Officers tonight in support of the recognition of Albert Schneider and Jacob Jones. She is very proud of them.

Councilor Locke reported...

- He will be ordering t-shirts for the Youth Council.
- 13 Nights on the River is tomorrow.

Department Reports

Interim Public Works Co-Director Nelson reported...

- Thank you to the Budget Committee for all the work they did on the budget.
- Kudos to Jenny Dimsho for her work on the Parks & Trails Master Plan. She is a huge asset.
- Thank you to Keith Forsythe and all of the splash pad volunteers.
- She is very proud of the two citizens honored with the Civilian Medal of Valor tonight.

Interim Public Works Co-Director Sheppard reported...

- Kudos to Dimsho.
- Kudos to those who worked on the splash pad.
- He received a request to use the 1929 Mac in the funeral of the fire fighter who recently passed away. There were no concerns from the Council.

Library Director Jeffries reported...

- The Arts & Cultural Commission has a public hearing Tuesday, June 9 at 5:30 p.m. for the art mural on the Post Office.
- Summer reading begins June 15.

City Recorder Payne reported...

- Chief Moss asked her to share with the Council that he was watching the Medal of Valor presentation tonight. He was very proud.

City Administrator Walsh reported...


- Tomorrow is the first 13 Nights on the River of the season.
- SHEDCO has erected the "Before I Die..." structure that will remain in the Plaza through the 13 Nights on the River season.

Adjourn - There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



ATTEST:


Kathy Payne, City Recorder


Randy Peterson, Mayor