

# City of St. Helens

## CITY COUNCIL

Regular Session Minutes

January 21, 2015

**Members Present:** Randy Peterson, Mayor  
Doug Morten, Council President  
Keith Locke, Councilor  
Susan Conn, Councilor  
Ginny Carlson, Councilor – *arrived at 7:11 p.m.*

**Staff Present:** John Walsh, City Administrator  
Jon Ellis, Finance Director  
Margaret Jeffries, Library Director  
Terry Moss, Police Chief  
Sue Nelson, Interim Public Works Co-Director  
Lisa Scholl, Administrative Assistant

<b>Others:</b>	Linda Oviatt	Karen VonSlyke	R. VonSlyke
	Petra McCall	Shannon Fitzgibbons	Dennis Sullivan
	Howard Blumenthal	Mike Allhoff	B. Crousser
	J. Deets	Ashley Baggett	Sharon Darroux
	Sherrie Ford	Kristie P.	Nedra Lambert
	Donna Stevens	Joe Corsiglia	Debi Corsiglia
	Jeff Kroll	Tricia Stockwell	Danette Russell
	Jeremy Russell		



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

**Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Peterson**

**Presentation of Plaque to Debi Corsiglia for Service on the Parks Commission**  
Council President Morten recognized Debi for her years of service on the Parks Commission.

Debi reported that she served an earlier time on the Parks Commission beginning in 1979. She served as secretary during part of that time. She believes she has served between 20-25 years during her time on and off the Commission. She spoke of the changes she has seen over that time.

### **Invitation to Citizens for Public Comment**

♦ Jeff Kroll, representing St. Helens Girls Softball. He is here to talk about field use fees. They would like to talk about a rebate/credit for next year based on how much money they spend doing upgrades. Their initial idea was a 20% credit for future use. They work hard to raise money. They don't have a problem with the field use fee increase. There are other groups who use the fields and don't take care of them as well. Everything they do is for the kids.

Mayor Peterson said they will need to talk to staff and look at numbers. Councilor Locke asked Jeff to submit a request in writing.

Councilor Carlson arrived.

Jeff added that field two does not drain correctly and floods. They have been unable to use it for much of the season. He is requesting credit for future use added to the end of the season. We want the fields to be nice to host tournaments.

Council President Morten said the next Parks Commission meeting is February 9. He would like to review their requests at the meeting and then make a recommendation to the Council.

♦Joe Corsiglia. About three to four years ago, he and Debi opened a shop in 2C's. He had to purchase a business license. That mall has over 60 vendors. It's a small space. He pointed out that some businesses don't send their vendors down to get a license. He suggested implementing a different fee for vendors.

♦Howard Blumenthal. He thanked the Council for the gravel for Nob Hill Nature Park. He has personally laid about 400 feet of trail through there. The Parks Commission will be taking a field trip in March to the park. He invited the Council to attend as well. Sometimes he sees trees cut down that maybe should not be. We need to look at a way to protect trees. Trees make the environment and city more livable.

Mayor Peterson confirmed there are ordinances that protect trees in the right-of-way.

Blumenthal showed the Council the camas bulbs they have been salvaging from different camas meadows around the City. He would like to keep people from driving through them.

♦Joanne Young. She talked about the intersection of N. 5<sup>th</sup> and West Street. There is a row of weeds right behind the stop sign. She got tired of it and has been cleaning it. It should be the City's responsibility. She is tired of people dumping their garbage on that street. She found a card addressed to her neighbor under a pile of garbage. Do they dump down there? She pays a couple girls to clean it up. She told the City and they just laughed at her.

Council President Morten asked Joanne who laughed at her. Young said it was someone at the shop on Oregon Way. They told her they don't have to clean it.

### **Ordinances – First Readings**

- A. **Ordinance No. 3181:** An Ordinance Adopting the US 30 and Columbia Boulevard/St. Helens Street Corridor Master Plan as an Addendum to the City of St. Helens Comprehensive Plan, Amending Section 2 of the Transportation Systems Plan, Amending the St. Helens Municipal Code Chapters 8.12, 17.16, 17.32, 17.72, 17.80, 17.84, 17.152, 18.04, 18.12, 18.20, 19.08, 19.12, and Adding Chapters 19.30 and 19.32

Mayor Peterson read Ordinance No. 3181 by title for the first time. The final reading will be held at the next regular session.

### **Approve and/or Authorize for Signature**

- A. First Amendment to Contract with Murray Smith & Associates, Inc. for Godfrey Park Project  
B. Second Amendment to Contract with North Point Technology, LLC for SCADA Upgrade  
C. Contract Payments

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

### **Consent Agenda for Acceptance**

- A. Library Board Minutes dated November 20, 2014
- B. Planning Commission Minutes dated December 9, 2014
- C. Accounts Payable Bill List

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

### **Consent Agenda for Approval**

- A. Work Session and Regular Session Minutes dated January 7, 2015
- B. Accounts Payable Bill List

**Motion:** Upon Locke's motion and Carlson's second, the Council unanimously approved 'A' through 'B' above.

### **Council Reports**

**Mayor Peterson** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Councilor Conn** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Council President Morten** reported...

- He will follow-up with Joanne Young's complaint.

**Councilor Carlson** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Councilor Locke** reported...

- The Leadership Conference interferes with the first meeting in February. It was the consensus of the Council to cancel the February 4 meeting.

### **Department Reports**

**Police Chief Moss** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Interim Public Works Co-Director Nelson** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Interim Public Works Co-Director Sheppard** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Library Director Jeffries** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Finance Director Ellis** reported...

- Nothing to report.

**Administrative Assistant Scholl** reported...

- Nothing to report.

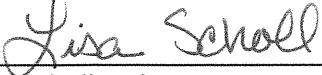
**City Administrator Walsh** reported...

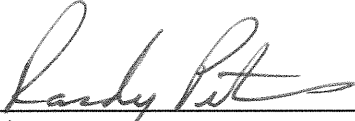
- Nothing to report.

**Adjourn** - There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



ATTEST:

  
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Lisa Scholl, Administrative Assistant

  
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Randy Peterson, Mayor