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LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, July 1, 1996

Clover Park School District Board Room

Student Services Center

10903 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis, Colleen Henry, JosÃ© Palmas, Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; City Attorney Dan Heid; Community Development Director David Bugher; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Human Resources Administrator Debra Young; Civil Engineer Ken Gunther; Police Lt. Eileen Bisson; and City Clerk Alice Bush.

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FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lt. Eileen Bisson by request of Mayor Harrison.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Briefing on the work ethic camp activities at McNeil Island Corrections Center.

Councilmember Thomas introduced Ms. Jackie Campbell of McNeil Island Corrections Center who provided information on the work ethic camp activities on McNeil Island. She explained that the work ethic program is an alternative four month prison sentence program, consisting of a rigorous seven day work week, 16 hours per day. Ms. Belinda Stewart, Superintendent of McNeil Island, provided an overview of the Corrections Center, a medium security institution housing 1300 inmates and 285 work ethic inmates.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cindy McMeekin-Giles, 7238 Interlaaken Drive, explained that the City's shoreline non-refundable variance fee of \$1,200 was exorbitant.

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Herb Dayton, 10823 Evergreen Terrace SW, thanked the Council for listening to the concerns of the citizens regarding

the watercraft regulations ordinance.

Ernest Heller, introduced himself as the potential Hearing Examiner for the City. He explained that a motion to confirm his appointment was scheduled for Council's consideration later in the agenda.

Arnie Hayes, Brook Lane SW, asked for police support on the enforcement of lake regulations.

C O N S E N T A G E N D A

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of June 17, 1996.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of June 24, 1996.
- C. Approval of payroll vouchers in the amount of \$58,995.62 for the period June 1 - 15, 1996.
- D. Approval of claim vouchers in the amount of \$82,872.93 for the period ending June 26, 1996.
- E. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

Planning Advisory Board meeting minutes of April 24, May 1 and June 5, 1996.

COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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R E G U L A R A G E N D A

Ordinances

[Ordinance No. 86](#) creating Chapter 8.60 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to watercraft regulations.

COUNCILMEMBER HENRY MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 86. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council recessed at 8:05 p.m. and reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

[Ordinance No. 87](#) amending Sections 5.02.120, 5.02.130, 5.20.060, 5.35.090, 5.37.080 and 5.48.040 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to business license late fees.

COUNCILMEMBER PALMAS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 87. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED (AYES: 5 - DAVIS, PALMAS, C. THOMAS, S. THOMAS AND MAYOR HARRISON. NAYES: 2 - HENRY AND RICHARDSON.)

[Ordinance No. 88](#) amending Section 3.34.010 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to punch board gambling taxes.

COUNCILMEMBER HENRY MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 88. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

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NEW BUSINESS

Motion 1996-9 confirming the appointment of Ernest Heller as interim, temporary Hearing Examiner.

COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS MOVED TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF ERNEST HELLER AS INTERIM, TEMPORARY HEARING EXAMINER. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HENRY. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councilmember Palmas asked if the Council had taken a position whether to join the Rainier Cable Commission. Council requested staff to prepare a recommendation before August 1, 1996.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that Dave Welch from the Steilacoom Historic Museum has requested that the Council send a letter of support for the Museum's efforts to secure grants to refurbish the Nathaniel Orr home. Council directed staff to prepare a letter of support and to send a copy of the letter to the Mayor of Steilacoom.

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of the City's building and permitting activity for the last four months. He noted that the City has issued permits for projects totaling \$28 million and \$243,000 has been collected in fees.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that next week's Council's Study Session will be held at the Lakewood Library.

City Manager Rohlfs asked for Council's approval to proceed with purchasing two vehicles - a 1995 Ford Taurus that the Fire District is selling for \$14,750 which is below the State contract price, and a small pickup truck. Council directed staff to proceed with purchasing the two vehicles.

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that a review of the City's budget is scheduled for the July 22, 1996 Council meeting.

City Manager Rohlfs asked Councilmembers to let him know how to proceed with the proposal on amending the fee schedule for variances.

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CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Palmas commented that in response to staff's request for direction on the acquisition of a bronze commemorative plaque for City Hall, he suggested that the plaque be obtained from Dande because of the cost and size of the plaque. Councilmember Davis suggested that because the price estimates were relatively close, she suggested that the plaque be obtained from National Specialties, a Lakewood business. Councilmembers requested that a proof be provided for their review.

Councilmembers Henry, Davis, Thomas and Palmas expressed an interest to help staff the City's booth at Summerfest.

Councilmember Richardson asked about the proposed annexation of the Calvary Cemetery by the City of Tacoma. City Manager Rohlfs indicated that an affected citizen expressed concern about the annexation when fire and police services are being provided by Lakewood. He noted that he will be approaching the City of Tacoma about these

concerns.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reported that she attended an informative workshop by the Department of Social and Health Services on State services.

Mayor Harrison asked about how the transfer of Viacom to TCI will impact the City and the cable franchise. City Attorney Heid indicated that he will research this issue as well as review Pierce County's franchise agreement.

Mayor Harrison noted that he and Pierce County Council Chairperson, Sally Walker will have a follow-up meeting after Pierce County Deputy Executive Fran McNair and City Manager Rohlf's have an opportunity to meet.

Mayor Harrison announced that residents who live on the lake can call 593-4722 to report any water regulation infractions.

Mayor Harrison announced that the Tacoma Symphony will be performing at Lakewood Gardens on July 21, 1996.

Mayor Harrison requested that thank you letters be sent to the 446th Air Mobility on their performance at Air Rodeo and the 62nd Combat Control. He also requested that a letter be sent to Hugh Hedges, Chair of the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce for hosting the event.

Councilmember Palmas noted that the statement he made to a reporter that was quoted in the LAKEWOOD JOURNAL was in response to a question he answered straightforward.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK