



LAKESWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, August 6, 2018
City of Lakewood
City Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 – Mayor Anderson, Deputy Mayor Jason Whalen; Councilmembers Mary Moss, Mike Brandstetter, John Simpson, Marie Barth and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmember Brandstetter arrived at 7:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Anderson.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Clover Park School District Report.

Clover Park School District (CPSD) Board member Alyssa Anderson Pearson reported that students are on summer vacation, preparing to head back to school and that school speed zones are still in effect during the summer. She commented on parking lot improvements that were completed this summer at several schools throughout the district. She then reported that the Mann Middle school is scheduled to open in the fall of 2020. She reported that Debbie LeBeau retired as of July, 2018 and Doug Kernutt is serving as Interim Superintendent. She reported that the district has hired several new principles and a communications director.

Mayor Anderson commented on a letter from CPSD Boardmember Wagemann dated July 27, 2018 opposing the re-opening of the Point Defiance Bypass Rail Route.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Kurt Sample, Anderson Island resident, spoke about Camp Soundview and options for environmental outdoor education for youth.

Dennis Haugen, Lakewood resident, spoke about the need for results in Clover Park School District schools.

Ron Carter, Lakewood resident, spoke about his concerns with the vehicles traveling at high rates of speed and foot traffic on Angel Lane.

Mark Pfeiffer, Lakewood resident, spoke about milfoil on the shoreline of American Lake.

Glen Spieth, Lakewood resident, spoke about the audio equipment in the Council Chambers. He spoke about the road improvements needed in the Towne Center.

Marty Harris, Clover Park School District Teachers Education Association, spoke in support of teachers and the need for competitive salaries.

Greg Kepner, Clover Park School District Teachers Education Association, spoke in support of teachers and the need for competitive salaries.

Mariam Robert, Clover Park School District Teachers Education Association, spoke in support of teachers and the need for competitive salaries.

Kiera Ratcliff, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of teachers and the need for competitive salaries.

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

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 16, 2018.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of July 23, 2018.
- C. Approval of payroll checks, in the amount of \$2,540,487.85 for the period of June 16, 2018 thru July 15, 2018.
- D. Approval of claim vouchers, in the amount of \$1,852,929.86 for the period of June 15, 2018 thru July 20, 2018.
- E. Motion No. 2018-38

Re-appointing Alan Hart to serve on the Public Safety Advisory Committee through August 6, 2021.
- F. Motion No. 2018-39

Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with Clover Park School District for the purchase of fuel for the period of September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019.

G. Ordinance No. 691

Granting MCI Metro Access Transmission Services Corp. a non-exclusive franchise for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair and removal of telecommunications services in, through, over and under the rights-of-way of the City.

H. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

1. Planning Commission meeting minutes of June 20, 2018.
2. Landmarks and Heritage Advisory Board meeting minutes of June 28, 2018.

DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA.
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MOSS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 692 Amending Chapter 1.28 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to indemnification of city employees.

City Attorney Wachter provided an overview of the proposed code amendments as presented. Discussion ensued.

COUNCILMEMBER BRANDSTETTER MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 692. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BARTH.

DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN MOVED TO AMEND SECTION 1.28.050 SUBSECTION C AS FOLLOWS: "IF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING RESULTS IN ANY MONETARY JUDGEMENT AGAINST SUCH CITY OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE, THE CITY COUNCIL, SHALL, BY RESOLUTION, PROVIDE FOR THE CITY'S PAYMENT IN FULL OF SUCH JUDGEMENT. UPON CONSIDERATION OF THE PARTICULAR FACTS OF THE CASE, AS DETERMINED THROUGH THE CITY MANAGER'S INVESTIGATION, THE CITY COUNCIL MAY ALSO PROVIDE FOR THE CITY'S PAYMENT OF ANY PUNITIVE DAMAGES INCLUDED IN SUCH JUDGEMENT; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS PROVISION FOR PAYMENT BY THE CITY OF THE PUNITIVE DAMAGES ON BEHALF OF A CITY OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE UNDER THIS CHAPTER SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUCTED AS A WAIVER OF THE CITY'S IMMUNITY TO PUNITIVE DAMAGES. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON.

VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE AMENDED MOTION AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Review of Financial Policies.

Ms. Kraus reported that this year the City reviewed surface water utility rates. As a result of the study, the City Council approved a rate increase equivalent to 50% over the current rates for 2019 and 2.5% thereafter until 2024. The following items supporting the rate change are proposed to be incorporated into the current financial policies: operating reserves increased to 33%, to maintain 1% in capital reserves, establish and maintain debt reserve and system reinvestment funding. She reported that surface water is the only enterprise fund that the City has. The revised financial policies are scheduled for approval on August 20, 2018.

Facility Use Policy Update.

Ms. Dodsworth provided an overview of the facility use policy updates as presented. She reported that these policies have been created to set standards and consistency for when the City facilities are being used. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board reviewed and updated the policy as a part of the May, 2018 meeting. The policy update adds designated use zones within the park to accommodate a certain number of people and allow for multiple uses of the space. Discussion ensued as to the criteria is for approval of signage in the park and compliance with *Reed v. Gilbert*.

Review Beecher's Foundation Pure Food Kids Workshop Contract.

Ms. Dodsworth reported that Beecher's Foundation approached the City with an opportunity to collaborate on pure food workshops for youth in Lakewood. She then showed a video relative to creating a healthier society by changing our food system. She reported that the request is for \$25,000 to provide 625 students and 1,000 parents with access to cooking classes to be held at Tyee Park, Lakeview Hope Academy and Clover Park High School.

City Manager Caulfield reported that National Night is August 7, 2018.

He reported the Pierce County Library Board of Trustees passed a Resolution to place a bond on the November ballot to increase maintenance and operations levy from 42 cents to the maximum of 50 cents.

He reported that the Comprehensive Plan amendments are due on September 15, 2018, the deadline for Human Service funding requests is August 27, 2018 and applications for Lodging Tax grant funding closes on August 20, 2018.

He reported the City provided Pierce Transit a letter in support of the Buses and Bus Facilities Grant Program and a letter in opposition to the STREAMLINE Act relative to the deployment of small cells facilities was sent to Senator Cantwell and Senator Murray. He thanked the Clover Park School District for the letter opposing the Point Defiance Rail Bypass.

He reported that concerts at Fort Steilacoom Park kick off on August 14, 2018 and the official ribbon cutting ceremony has been scheduled for October 13, 2018 during Truck and Tractor Day.

He reported that work continues on the JBLM North Clear Zone Land Swap. JBLM has identified 100 acres across from Woodbrook Middle School although the property has environmental concerns.

He reported that a Resolution in support of Countywide planning policies will be coming before the Council on August 13, 2018. He then asked the Council to consider an accompanying Resolution proposing changes to regional planning policies for Pierce County and PCRC relative to sewers and population estimates.

He reported that property owners in the Carp Lake neighborhood are working to form a Lake District.

He then reported that the City will be applying for LTAC funding in support of SummerFEST, the Farmers Market and a summer concert series. Capital requests will include parking lot and restroom improvements at Angle Lane, gateways at Farwest Drive, and continued funding for the Lakewood Film, Arts and Book Festival and media promotions.

He reported that the City and Pierce College continue to meet and discuss the land transfer of Fort Steilacoom Park with DSHS and DES. He commented on water utility issues and potential options for contracting with the Lakewood Water District.

He then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- September 28-30, Lakewood Film, Arts and Book Festival, McGavick Conference Center
- October 13, Truck and Tractor Day, Fort Steilacoom Park
- November 3-4, Lakewood Community Clean Up Day, Lakewood Transfer Station

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Bocchi commented that he will be participating in National Night Out.

Councilmember Brandstetter commented on the work that has gone into development of community dashboards.

Councilmember Barth commented that she will be participating in National Night Out.

Deputy Mayor Whalen reported that he attended the Arts Commission meeting this evening and encouraged attendance at the Lakewood Film, Arts and Book Festival. He commented on nuisance buildings in the Towne Center, property owners and business retention.

Mayor Anderson commented on the salary schedules and annual increases for CPSD teachers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Anderson announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes to discuss pending litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency, litigation to which the agency is a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency and for 5 minutes to discuss the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The council is not expected to take final action following the executive session.

Council recessed into Executive Session at 8:49 p.m.

At 9:14 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended for an additional 10 minutes.

Council reconvened at 9:24 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.


DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


BRIANA SCHUMACHER, CITY CLERK