



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

City of Lakewood

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CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 6 – Mayor Jason Whalen, Deputy Mayor Moss, Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, Ryan Pearson, J. Trestin Lauricella and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmembers Excused: 1 – Councilmember Patti Belle.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Whalen paused for a moment of silence acknowledging the life and legacy General (LTG) and Mayor Emeritus William Harrison and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Recognizing the Clover Park School District Daffodil Princesses.

MAYOR WHALEN PRESENTED CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION TO THE CLOVER PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT DAFFODIL PRINCESSES CHAI HILL REPRESENTING CLOVER PARK HIGH SCHOOL, LEILANI CAMPOS-RAMOS REPRESENTING HARRISON PREP AND PATRICIA PAGE REPRESENTING LAKES HIGH SCHOOL.

Proclamation recognizing Michael David Bugher for his service to the City of Lakewood.

MAYOR WHALEN, DEPUTY MAYOR MOSS AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENTED A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MICHAEL DAVID BUGHER FOR HIS TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council received written comments in advance from Casey Crook.

Speaking before the Council were:

Dennis Haugen, Sioux Falls, spoke about topics not on the agenda.

Christina Manetti, Garry Oak Coalition, spoke about topics not on the agenda.

James Dunlop, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.

Jonathan Garcia, Lakewood Baseball Club, spoke about topics not on the agenda.

Ebrahim Mirjalili, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.

Dustin Reed, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.

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

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of February 5, 2024.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council study session of February 12, 2024.

C. Motion No. 2024-14

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Olson Bros Pro-Vac for vector cleaning services.

D. Motion No. 2024-15

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with McDonough & Sons, Inc. for street sweeping services.

E. Items filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

1. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of August 7, 2023.
2. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of September 11, 2023.
3. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of October 23, 2023.
4. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of November 6, 2023.
5. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of November 28, 2023.

6. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of December 4, 2023.
7. Public Safety Advisory Committee meeting minutes of December 6, 2023.
8. Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board meeting minutes of December 7, 2023.
9. Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board meeting minutes of January 4, 2024.
10. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of January 8, 2024.

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

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

ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 797 Amending Lakewood Municipal Code related to fines and forfeitures for parking.

COUNCILMEMBER BRANDSTETTER MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 797. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR MOSS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND FAILED WITH COUNCILMEMBERS BOCCHI, BRANDSTETTER AND PEARSON VOTING IN OPPOSITION.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Flag Policy Update.

City Attorney Heidi Ann Wachter shared that it is recommended that the City Council codify the city's practice regarding the display of flags. This item will come forward for City Council action on March 4th.

City Manager Caulfield shared that Fort Steilacoom Dog Park was recognized by South Sound Magazine as Best Dog Park.

He congratulated Deputy Mayor Moss, South Sound Military and Communities Partnership (SSMCP) Program Manager Bill Adamson and former Councilmember John Simpson who will be inducted into the JBLM Civilian Hall of Fame.

He asked the City Council whether or not they want to allocate American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in support of the Tacoma Rescue Mission (TRM) Pierce County First Village project as Pierce County is requesting that the Lakewood revise the December 5, 2022, motion to allow the City's \$1 million in ARPA funds be released once the Tacoma Rescue Mission secures funding to construct 50 housing units rather than the 150 units. Discussion ensued and this item come forward for City Council approval at a future meeting.

He then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- February 22, 6:00 P.M. Boys and Girls Club, Hotel Murano Bicentennial Pavilion
- February 27, 6:00 P.M., Mayor's Coffeehouse, Fort Steilacoom Park Pavilion
- February 28, 2024, 5:30 P.M., Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update, Clover Park Technical College Rotunda
- March 12, 11:30 A.M., Habitat for Humanity Changing Lives Luncheon, Hotel Murano Bicentennial Pavilion
- March 15, 4:00 P.M., American Lake Veterans Medical Center Centennial Event
- March 15, 7:00 P.M., Lakewood Multicultural Coalition Dr. Claudia Thomas Award Gala, McGavick Conference Center
- March 20, 11:30 A.M., Tacoma Pierce County Economic Development Board Annual Meeting, Greater Tacoma Trade and Convention Center

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Brandstetter spoke about the Proclamation presented this evening in recognition of David Bugher and the honor of Fort Steilacoom Park Dog Park receiving Best Dog Park. He spoke about proposed rate increases by Puget Sound Energy and suggested the City seek additional information on the proposal.

Councilmember Pearson shared that he attended the Clover Park School District Replacement Levy Celebration, this week he will Ride Along with Lakewood Police Department and attend the Puget Sound Regional Council meeting. He shared that he will be absent from the February 26th meeting.

Councilmember Bocchi shared that last week he attended the Pierce County Regional Council meeting and this week he will attend the Planning Commission meeting. He spoke about David Bugher's service to the City and community.

Councilmember Lauricella spoke about General Harrison's kindness and legacy in the Lakewood community and David Bugher's service to the City. He spoke about progress on the interim Lakewood Library, the Fort Steilacoom Park baseball fields and this week he will attend the South Sound 911 meeting.

Deputy Mayor Moss shared that she attended the Clover Park School District Replacement Levy Celebration and the Lakewood Lions Crab Feed. She reflected on the life and legacy of General Harrison and David Bugher's work in the community. She shared that she will attend the Military Affairs meeting and she is preparing for the March 15th Lakewood Multicultural Coalition Gala.

Mayor Whalen shared that he attended the Tillicum Neighborhood Association meeting, the Pierce County Regional Council meeting and the Lakewood Rotary meeting. This week he will attend the Association of Washington Cities Mayors Exchange and the Tacoma Pierce County Clean Buildings Symposium. He reflected on the life and legacy of General Harrison and shared that his memorial is scheduled for Saturday, April 6th at the Lakewood Baptist Church. He recognized David Bugher for his service to the community.


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.



JASON WHALEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK