



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, May 15, 2023

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: 7 – Mayor Jason Whalen; Deputy Mayor Mary Moss; Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, Don Anderson, Patti Belle, Trestin Lauricella and Paul Bocchi.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Whalen.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Police Commissioning Ceremony.

Municipal Court Judge Lisa Mansfield conducted the Oath of Office for Police Chief Patrick Smith and Officer Dylan Warburton.

Proclamation declaring May 15, 2023 through May 21, 2023 as National Police Week.

MAYOR WHALEN PRESENTED A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 15, 2023 THROUGH MAY 21, 2023 AS NATIONAL POLICE WEEK TO CHIEF PATRICK SMITH, LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Proclamation declaring May 21, 2023 through May 27, 2023 as National Public Works Week.

COUNCILMEMBER LAURICELLA PRESENTED A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 21, 2023 THROUGH MAY 27, 2023 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK TO WESTON OTT, ENGINEERING SERVICES MANAGER.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council received written comments in advance of the meeting from James Dunlop.

Speaking before the Council were:

Dennis Haugen, Sioux Falls, spoke about low-test scores in the Clover Park School District and illegal immigration.

Tichomir Dunlop, Lakewood resident, spoke about tree regulations and the disconnect between the tree canopy goal and what is happening in the city.

Daisy Harden, Lakewood resident, spoke about the open drug use and crime in the Canterbrook Village neighborhood.

Al Schmauder, Lacey resident, spoke about the Chambers Creek watershed and in support of implementing a ground water monitoring program.

Connie Meyer, Active Construction Inc., spoke about the pending award to Neeley Construction for the Fort Steilacoom Park athletic field project and requested the City Council deem ACI the low responsive bidder or reject all bids.

Christina Manetti, Lakewood resident, spoke about environmental concerns related to using synthetic turf for the Fort Steilacoom Park athletic field project and in support of restoration of Waughop Lake to a healthy state.

James Dunlop, Lakewood resident, spoke about the education system in Lakewood, declining test results and creating an environment to deal with these problems.

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

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council study session of April 24, 2023.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of May 1, 2023.

C. Motion No. 2023-53

Approval of a construction contract with, Neeley Construction Company, for the Fort Steilacoom Park athletic field project.

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

1. Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board meeting of March 2, 2023.
2. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting of March 28, 2023.
3. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of April 3, 2023.
4. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of April 12, 2023.
5. Planning Commission meeting minutes of April 19, 2023.

Councilmember Brandstetter requested Item No. C, Motion No. 2023-53 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

DEPUTY MAYOR MOSS MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA, MINUS ITEM NO. C, MOTION NO. 2023-53. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON MOVED TO ADOPT MOTION NO. 2023-53. 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. 785 Amending the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget.

COUNCILMEMBER BELLE MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 785. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BOCCHI. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ordinance No. 786 Amending Chapter 9.06 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relating to Controlled Substances.

COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 786. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LAURICELLA. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion No. 2023-54 Approving an intergovernmental transfer agreement between Pierce County and the City of Lakewood related to the transfer of Old Settler's Cemetery property.

COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON ANNOUNCED THAT HE WILL RECUSE HIMSELF FROM DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON MOTION NO. 2023-54 DUE TO HIS AFFILIATION WITH PIERCE COUNTY.

DEPUTY MAYOR MOSS MOVED TO ADOPT MOTION NO. 2023-54. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LAURICELLA. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Review Partners for Park request to include naming recognition in H-Barn fundraising program.

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Mary Dodsworth introduced Dave Betz, Partners for Parks. Dave Betz shared that \$1,085,000 has been raised for the H-Barn project and requested that the City update the naming policy to allow for naming recognition for the H-Barn fundraising program. Discussion ensued.

Review Opioid Abatement Council (OAC) Formation for Pierce County.

City Attorney Heidi Wachter shared the draft agreement for formation of the Pierce County Opioid Abatement Council. Discussion ensued.

City Manager Caulfield recognized the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department for coordination of the Kids Fishing Event.

He then spoke about addressing development regulations following the state legislative session and mandates from House Bill 1110 and Senate Bill 5920.

He shared that the Public Works Engineering Department is working with Puget Sound Energy to develop a Street Light Dimming Pilot program.

He shared that the South Sound Military and Community Partnership (SSMCP) held their Elected Officials Council last week and the Buffalo Soldiers Museum is requesting a sponsorship from the City in support of their Military Labor Force event, which will be held at Cheney Stadium on September 4th. The City Council is in support of sponsoring \$2,500 for the event.

He then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- May 20, 5:00 P.M., Clover Park Technical College Foundation 2023 Scholarship Celebration Dinner Event, McGavick Conference Center
- May 24, 4:00 P.M., Arlington Project, Clover Park High School

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Whalen spoke about the trip to visit Sister City Gimhae, Republic of Korea. He shared that last week attended the Master Builders Housing Summit and the Pierce County Prayer Breakfast. This week he will attend the Clover Park Technical College Scholarship Celebration event.

Councilmember Brandstetter shared that he attended the SSHA³P Executive Committee meeting.

Councilmember Belle shared that she looks forward to upcoming events specifically the Street Festival on June 3rd and the Farmers Market starting on June 6th.

Councilmember Bocchi spoke about the trip to visit Sister City Gimhae, Republic of Korea. He shared that last week he attended the Transportation Coordination Committee and he spoke about the Pierce County Regional Council meeting.

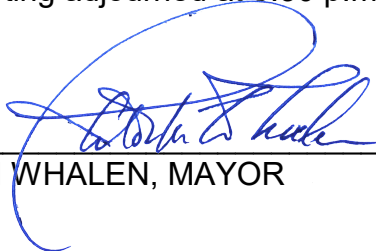
Councilmember Lauricella spoke about participating in Kids Fishing event and shared that he provided remarks at the Clover Park School District Board meeting.

Councilmember Anderson shared that he attended the Pierce County Law Enforcement Memorial event, Lake City Neighborhood Association meeting and the SSMCP Elected Officials Council.

Deputy Mayor Moss shared that she attended the SSMCP Elected Official Council and this week she will attend the Clover Park Technical College Scholarship Celebration. She also spoke visiting Sister City Gimhae, Republic of Korea.

ADJOURNMENT

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



JASON WHALEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK