

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Medina City Hall Council Chambers
January 14, 2008; 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

The January 14, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council was called to order by the City Clerk at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Lucius Biglow, Drew Blazey, Bret Jordan, Jim Lawrence, Mark Nelson, Robert Rudolph (*via telephone*) and Shawn Whitney

City Staff Present: Mark Weinberg, City Manager; Wayne Tanaka, City Attorney, Ogden Murphy Wallace; Jeff Chen, Chief of Police; Joe Willis, Director of Public Works; and Rachel Baker, City Clerk

OATHS OF OFFICE

City Clerk administered Oath of Office to newly elected City Council members Bret Jordan, Mark Nelson and Shawn Whitney.

ELECTIONS

City Clerk opened floor to nominations for 2008-2009 Mayor. Lucius Biglow nominated Mark Nelson and Bret Jordan nominated Bob Rudolph. The floor was closed after no further nominations were presented. Mark Nelson was elected Mayor following a 5-2 vote.

Mayor opened floor to nominations for 2008-2009 Deputy Mayor. Bret Jordan nominated Bob Rudolph and Drew Blazey nominated Jim Lawrence. Mayor closed floor to nominations after no further nominations were forthcoming. Bob Rudolph was not elected following a 3-4 vote. Jim Lawrence was elected Deputy Mayor after a 4-3 vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council agreed to move Executive Session to end of agenda and to move Other Business item "City Council Meeting Schedule" to occur concurrently with Agenda Calendar item. Agenda was approved as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor opened floor to public comment at 7:15 pm.

Resident Scott Hannah expressed he moved to Medina to live in a community with a strong police force, public works and emergency preparedness. Mr. Hannah requested to strengthen and better the police department by re-addressing security cameras and the canine unit rather than changing it. He urged those against the Clearwire tower to accept the modern age as it makes the community more efficient. Resident summarized saying Medina should be a top, viable, visible and proud community.

Resident Henry Paulman admitted he is one that opposes the Clearwire tower and addressed the City Manager's report regarding matter. Mr. Paulman suggested there are at least four other providers that could service Medina and requested Council direct City Manager to go to bid for camera service approved for Medina. Resident stated tower should be paid for in a manner similar to Hunts Point and conveyed he would provide documents to the City in response to the City Manager's report.

Resident Wilma Edmonds stated she would like to know if the Council would discuss the Auditor's report. City Manager responded that the results of the state audit have been delayed and an announcement will be made when the results are ready for presentation so the public can attend the discussion.

Mayor closed participation period at 7:22 pm.

REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nelson thanked Council Members for their support electing him Mayor and promised to do the best job he can to represent the citizens of Medina in a fair and efficient manner.

City Manager informed Council the King County Office of Emergency Planning advised the City of additional Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) grant funds available in the sum of \$15,342 for the Police Department's mobile command center. Weinberg conveyed a budget amendment would come to the Council for approval in February.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION LAWRENCE AND SECOND BIGLOW TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AND MOTION CARRIED 7-0 AT 7:27 PM.

1. Approval of December 10, 2007 City Council Minutes
2. Approval of December 2007 Checks/Finance Officer's Report (Preliminary)

OTHER BUSINESS

Remote Access/Teleconferencing Policy (7:27 pm)

City Manager summarized agenda item and Council discussion followed. Mayor summed up points of discussion as follows: to limit teleconferencing to one time per year per council member, to include emergency preparedness contingencies, and to

invest in improved teleconferencing equipment. City Manager was directed to present proposal to Council during next meeting.

Public Safety Wireless Communications Installation (7:58 pm)

City Manager summarized report and Council discussion followed. Council permitted resident Henry Paulman to address the Council regarding matter.

Council directed staff to prepare ordinance as recommended in staff report.

Alternative Police Services Delivery Models (8:42 pm)

City Manager summarized report and Council discussion followed.

MOTION JORDAN AND SECOND LAWRENCE TO DIRECT CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CITY OF CLYDE HILL AND TOWNS OF HUNTS POINT AND YARROW POINT REGARDING PROVIDING POLICE SERVICES TO SERVE ALL POINTS COMMUNITIES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 9:04 PM.

City Manager's Monthly Activity Report (9:04 pm)

- A. Police Department
- B. Development Services
- C. Public Works
- D. City Manager

City Manager summarized reports and answered Council inquiries. Council consented to pursue City Hall interior lighting improvements during building repairs and requested staff to present cost details at next meeting.

Reports were received and filed.

2008 City Council Meeting Schedule (9:19 pm)

Mayor introduced item and Council discussion followed. Council unanimously agreed to hold regular meetings once per month on the second Monday of each month and to begin meetings at 6:30 pm. City Attorney conveyed an ordinance amending the current code would be presented at the next meeting to officially establish the change of meeting time.

Agenda Calendar (9:29 pm)

Council discussed agenda calendar items for February, including a visit by King County Council Member Jane Hague, Mercer Island Marine Patrol annual report, and bid authorization for City Hall restoration.

Mayor recessed for a break at 9:31 pm and the meeting was called back to order at 9:36 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed into Executive Session at 9:36 pm to:

1. To review negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(d).
2. To discuss pending litigation and potential litigation, including but not limited to discussion of legal risks of a proposed action, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

Council Members Biglow, Blazey, Jordan, Lawrence, Nelson, Rudolph, and Whitney; City Manger, City Attorney and City Clerk were present. Also present was Stephanie Croll, attorney with Keating Bucklin & McCormack. Executive Session adjourned at 10:20 pm and the Regular Meeting was called back to order. No action was taken.

Motion Blazey and second Whitney to extend meeting fifteen minutes and motion carried unanimously at 9:55 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

JANUARY 14, 2008 CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED BY CONSENT AT 10:20 PM.

The January 14, 2008, Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council adjourned at 10:20 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council will be held Monday, February 11, 2008 at 7:00 pm.



Mark L. Nelson, Mayor

Attest:



Rachel Baker, City Clerk