

January 14, 2014 Special and Regular Meeting Minutes
Approved: February 11, 2014

**City of Covington
Special and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 14, 2014**

(This meeting was recorded and will be retained for a period of six years from the date of the meeting).

INTERVIEWS– 6:00-7:00 P.M.:

The Council conducted interviews for openings on the Covington Parks & Recreation Commission. Applicants interviewed included Sarah McCaffrey, William Pand, and Conni Elliott.

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBERS:

City Clerk/Executive Assistant Sharon Scott performed the Oath of Office to Mark Lanza (Position No. 2), Joseph Cimaomo, Jr. (Position No. 4), and Jim Scott (Position No. 6).

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order in the City Council Chambers, 16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington, Washington, Tuesday, January 14, 2014, at 7:12 p.m., with Mayor Margaret Harto presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Margaret Harto, Joe Cimaomo, Mark Lanza, Marlla Mhoon, Jim Scott, Wayne Snoey, and Jeff Wagner.

STAFF PRESENT:

Derek Matheson, City Manager; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Noreen Beaufrere, Personnel Manager; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Karla Slate, Communications & Marketing Manager; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Sara Springer, City Attorney; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Councilmember Margaret Harto opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

SELECTION OF MAYOR:

Council Action: Councilmember Snoey moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to nominate Margaret Harto for Mayor. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM:

Council Action: Councilmember Snoey moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to nominate Jeff Wagner for Mayor Pro Tem. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

The Council recessed at 7:15 p.m. for a short celebration for newly elected councilmembers, Mayor, and Mayor Pro tem and reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to approve the Agenda. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

- Lisa Foster, Southeast King County Coalition Against Trafficking, accepted a proclamation declaring January 14, 2014 as Human Trafficking Awareness Day in the City of Covington.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Covington Sports Athletic Director Erick Schug, provided an update since his last report to Council. Mr. Schug reported that there has been no change to the organization's financial situation and noted that he hoped to financially make it through the basketball season that was currently in session.

Mayor Harto encouraged continued communication between Covington Sports and staff to work toward a solution that is in the best interest of the community.

Kollin Higgins, not a resident of Covington, advised Council of his concerns regarding a project being constructed by Soos Creek Water & Sewer District near the corner of Wax Road and Covington Way in the buffer of Jenkins Creek.

There being no further comments, Mayor Harto closed the public comment period.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

- C-1. Minutes: November 26, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes and December 3, 2013 City Council Special Joint Meeting with CEDC & Chamber Board Minutes.
- C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #30385-30438, in the Amount of \$649,312.74, Dated December 11, 2013; Vouchers #30439-30490, in the Amount of \$235,691.97, Dated December 24, 2013; Paylocity Payroll Checks #1001876907-1001876919 and Paylocity Payroll Check #1001877034-1001877034 Inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$153,339.23, Dated December 20, 2013; and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1001928721-1001928732 and Paylocity Payroll Check #1001928743-1001928743 Inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$147,066.00, Dated January 3, 2014.
- C-3. Approve Agreement for Landscaping Services.
- C-4. Authorize City Manager to Execute a Contract for Parks Impact Fee Consultant.
- C-5. Appointments to Council Appointees Exit Interview Sub Committee: Councilmembers Lanza, Scott, and Cimaomo.
- C-6. Appointments to Council's Audit Committee: Councilmembers Lanza, Mhoon, and Snoey.

C-7. Appointment of 2014 Representatives to Regional Boards and Committees.

- Metropolitan Solid Waste Advisory Committee (MSWAC): Joe Cimaomo (Member) and Don Vondran (Alternate);
- South County Area Transportation Board (SCATBd): Wayne Snoey (Member) and Don Vondran (Alternate);
- Sound Cities Association's Public Issues Committee (PIC): Marlla Mhoon (Member), Margaret Harto (Alternate A), and Jeff Wagner (Alternate B);
- Waste Resource Inventory Area 9 Forum (WRIA 9): Marlla Mhoon (Member) and Don Vondran (Alternate);
- Kent Regional Fire Authority (RFA): Margaret Harto (Member);
- Southeast Area Transportation Solutions (SEATS): Wayne Snoey (Member) and Jim Scott (Alternate A), and Joe Cimaomo (Alternate B).

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Snoey seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consider Appointments to Parks & Recreation Commission.

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Lanza seconded to appoint Conni Elliott to fill Position No. 2 on the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term expiring January 31, 2017 (adult). Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

Council Action: Councilmember Scott moved and Mayor Pro Tem Wagner seconded to appoint William Pand to fill Position No. 1 on the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term expiring January 31, 2015 (youth). Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

Councilmember Snoey requested that staff inquire with Burlington Northern Sante Fe Railroad as to whether any petroleum trains are currently going through the Stampede Pass rail line. Councilmember Snoey indicated it could be a potentially dangerous situation as a couple of the petroleum trains have recently blown up while traveling through cities. Councilmember Snoey also mentioned an emergency response as well as a response in general was needed because of the danger.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Steven Pand, praised Communications & Marketing Manager Karla Slate's work on the branding project.

There being no further comments, Mayor Harto closed the public comment period.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Potential Litigation (RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)) from 8:25 to 8:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Prepared by:



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Senior Deputy City Clerk

Submitted by:



Sharon Scott
City Clerk