

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Hermosa Beach, California, held on Tuesday, February 13, 2007, at the hour of 7:17 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Bobko, Keegan, Reviczky, Tucker, Mayor Edgerton
Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Patty Egerer

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Edgerton announced the passing of Kathy Keane, wife of Howard Fishman and mother of Aaron Fishman, a 20-year resident and active member of the community, and a long-time staff member of the Torrance City Manager's Office, who would be greatly missed. He noted the time and location of her funeral service, asked that donations be made to the American Cancer Society in lieu of flowers, and requested that the meeting be adjourned in her memory.

Councilmember Tucker thanked everyone who applied for the Upper Pier Avenue Committee, noting the tremendous response, and said the new members would be selected at the next committee meeting on Thursday, February 15.

Councilmember Reviczky read excerpts of two letters of appreciation received by the Fire Department for service to particular residents, said letters like that were received often, and that he wanted to acknowledge the fine service of Chief Tingley and his department. He asked that the meeting be adjourned also in the memory of Roberta Armstrong, a lifelong local resident and wife of his friend Robert Hildom.

Mayor Edgerton announced there would be a report at the next Council meeting of the actions of the City becoming a "cool city" to reduce greenhouse gases to combat global warming.

Councilmember Bobko reported on his attendance at the Independent Cities Association (ICA) conference and made note specifically of the discussions of the importance of school security to avoid Columbine-type situations.

Mayor Pro Tempore Keegan wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day, especially his wife and daughter; said he also attended the ICA conference and asked that Kit Bobko be made the delegate to the Executive Board instead of the alternate.

Action: To direct staff to agendize an item regarding this change for the next Council meeting.

Motion Keegan, second Edgerton. The motion carried by a unanimous vote

CLOSED SESSION REPORT FOR MEETING OF JANUARY 30, 2007: No reportable actions.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

1. ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Coming forward to address the Council at this time were:

Roger Bacon – Hermosa Beach businessman, asked that item 2(g) be removed from the consent calendar for separate discussion;

Jim Lissner – Hermosa Beach, said the City was sending mixed signals, banning smoking on the beach but allowing bars to offer “all you can drink” to women on New Year’s Eve, and voting to become a “cool city” but considering the expansion of downtown bars, which would increase traffic, without providing parking; said an Emergency Preparedness Commission was not needed, as the function could be handled by the Public Works Commission;

Don McGarvey – Hermosa Beach, asked that the large cracks and holes in 800 block of Cypress be repaired even if the entire street could not be repaved (City Manager Burrell said that repairs would be performed);

Ray Palmer – Hermosa Beach, also from the Cypress neighborhood asked that the repairs be made for the safety of residents, particularly the children; and

Patty Egerer – Hermosa Beach, asked when Council discussion of the proposed entertainment permit would be resumed (City Manager Burrell said the item, which was deferred to a workshop with the merchants, would be scheduled in the next month or two).

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Action: To approve the consent calendar recommendations (a) through (j) with the exception of the following items, which were removed for discussion in item 4, but are shown in order for clarity: 2(e) Reviczky, and (g) Bobko. Motion Tucker, second Keegan. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- (a) **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 2007; THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 23, 2007; AND THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 30, 2007.**

Action: To approve, as presented, the following minutes:

- (1) The Regular meeting of January 9, 2007;
- (2) The Regular meeting of January 23, 2007; and
- (3) The Adjourned Regular meeting of January 30, 2007.

- (b) **RECOMMENDATION TO RATIFY CHECK REGISTER NOS. 46670 THROUGH 46880, INCLUSIVE, ELECTRONIC VOUCHERS, AND TO APPROVE THE CANCELLATION OF CHECK NOS. 45944 AND 46801, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY TREASURER.**

Action: To ratify the check register as presented.

(c) **RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE TENTATIVE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.**

Action: To receive and file Tentative Future Agenda Items as presented.

(d) **RECOMMENDATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE DECEMBER 2006 REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS.**

Action: To receive and file the December 2006 Revenue and Expenditure reports.

(e) **RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS OF \$900.00 FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE PARK TO BE USED FOR THE PURCHASE OF CENTENNIAL SHRUBS; \$250.00 FROM 22 PIER LLC/DAGON RESTAURANT TO BE USED FOR THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION; AND \$604.61 COLLECTED FROM ANONYMOUS DONORS FOR COOKIE SALES AT THE CENTENNIAL EVENT TO BE USED FOR THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.** Memorandum from Finance Director Viki Copeland dated February 6, 2007.

This item was removed from the consent calendar by Councilmember Reviczky for separate discussion later in the meeting in order to acknowledge and thank the donors.

Action: To accept the following donations:

- \$900.00 from the Friends of the Park to be used for the purchase of Centennial shrubs;
- \$250.00 from the 22 Pier LLC/Dragon Restaurant to be used for the Centennial Celebration; and,
- \$604.51 collected from anonymous donors for cookie sales at the Centennial event to be used for the Centennial Celebration.

Motion Reviczky, second Edgerton. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

(f) **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TENTATIVE DATE OF THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2007 AT 7:10 P.M. FOR REVIEW OF THE 2007-2008 BUDGET.** Memorandum from Finance Director Viki Copeland dated February 1, 2007.

Action: To approve tentative date of Thursday, May 31, 2007 at 7:10 p.m. for review of the 2007-2008 Budget.

(g) **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE UPDATED MEMORIAL DONATION PROGRAM.** Memorandum from Public Works Director Richard Morgan dated February 6, 2007.

This item was removed from the consent calendar by Councilmember Bobko for separate discussion later in the meeting at the request of Roger Bacon.

Public Works Director Morgan presented the staff report and responded to Council questions. City Manager Burrell also responded to Council questions.

Coming forward to address the Council on this item was:

Roger Bacon – Hermosa Beach businessman, requested that a Sequoia tree donated by the Kerwin family be planted in Greenwood Park with an 8" x 10.5" plaque to be installed in concrete flush to the ground, with the cost of the plaque and installation borne by requestor of the plaque.

Action: To approve the updated Memorial Donation Program, amended to allow the option of larger memorial tree plaques up to 8"x10.5" installed in concrete flush to the ground, with staff having final approval of location for all memorials.

Motion Edgerton, second Keegan. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- (h) **RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD BID TO RE-SURFACE SIX TENNIS COURTS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER TO TRUELINE SURFACING OF CORONA, CALIFORNIA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,100.00; AUTHORIZE THE APPROPRIATION OF \$1,600.00 FROM THE PARKS/RECREATION FACILITY TAX FUND; AND, AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO MAKE CHANGES AS NECESSARY WITHIN THE PROJECT BUDGET.** Memorandum from Public Works Director Richard Morgan dated February 5, 2007.

Action: To approve the staff recommendation to:

- (1) Award bid to re-surface six tennis courts at the Community Center to TrueLine Surfacing of Corona, California in the amount of \$13,100.00;
- (2) Authorize the appropriation of \$1,600.00 from the Parks/Recreation Facility Tax Fund; and
- (3) Authorize the Director of Public Works to make changes as necessary within the project budget.

- (i) **RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW BRONCO SEWER JETTER WITH TRAILER FROM SRECO FLEXIBLE, INC. OF EL SEGUNDO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,486.25; AUTHORIZE ADDITION OF THE SEWER JETTER TO THE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE; AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATION OF \$7,500 FROM THE SEWER FUND; AND, AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ISSUE THE APPROPRIATE PURCHASE DOCUMENTS AS REQUIRED.** Memorandum from Public Works Director Richard Morgan dated January 25, 2007.

Action: To approve the staff recommendation to:

- (1) Award the purchase of one (1) new Bronco Sewer Jetter with trailer from Sreco Flexible, Inc. of El Segundo in the amount of \$30,486.25;

- (2) Authorize the addition of the Sewer Jetter to the Equipment Replacement Schedule;
- (3) Authorize the appropriation of \$7,500 from the Sewer Fund; and
- (4) Authorize staff to issue the appropriate purchase documents as required.

- (j) **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE CLASS SPECIFICATION AND SALARY RANGE FOR RECREATION COORDINATOR.** Memorandum from Personnel Director/Risk Manager Michael Earl dated February 8, 2007.

Action: To approve the class specification and salary range for Recreation Coordinator, as recommended by staff.

- 3. **CONSENT ORDINANCES** - None

- 4. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Items 2(e) and (g) were heard at this time but are shown in order for clarity.

Public comments on items removed from the Consent Calendar are shown under the appropriate item.

- 5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

- 6. **MUNICIPAL MATTERS**

- a. **MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW 2006-07.** Memorandum from Finance Director Viki Copeland dated January 24, 2007.

Finance Director Copeland presented the staff report and responded to Council questions.

Coming forward to address the Council on this item was:

John Workman – City Treasurer, commented on how interest rates affect city investments.

Action: To approve the staff recommendation to:

- (1) Approve the revisions to estimated revenue, appropriations, budget transfer and fund balances;
 - (2) Approve personnel changes; and
 - (3) Approve the recommendations on policies/goals.
- Motion Keegan, second Reviczky. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- b. **ORDINANCE SETTING UP THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COMMISSION AND AMENDING THE HERMOSA BEACH**

MUNICIPAL CODE. Memorandum from City Manager Stephen Burrell dated February 1, 2007.

City Manager Burrell presented the staff report and responded to Council questions.

Action: To approve the staff recommendation to waive full reading and introduce Ordinance No. 07-1277, entitled "**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COMMISSION AND AMENDING THE HERMOSA BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.**"

Motion Reviczky, second Keegan. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

c. **REVIEW OF PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE CITY'S MASTER FEE RESOLUTION IN CONNECTION WITH PARK DEDICATION FEES.**

Memorandum from Community Development Director Sol Blumenfeld dated January 29, 2007.

Community Director Blumenfeld presented the staff report and responded to Council questions.

Action: To increase the park dedication fee to \$14,096 per new unit, as recommended by staff, with direction to staff to bring back a resolution documenting this action.

Motion Tucker, second Reviczky. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

d. **REVIEW OF PARKING POLICIES IN PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONES: CONTRACTOR'S PERMITS; EMPLOYEE PERMITS AND CONSIDERATION OF VARIOUS CHANGES.**

Memorandum from City Manager Stephen Burrell dated February 6, 2007. Supplemental letter from Jay Philbrick received on February 13, 2007.

City Manager Burrell presented the staff report and responded to Council questions.

Coming forward to address the Council on this item was:

Patty Egerer – Hermosa Beach, relayed a situation in her neighborhood in which large construction trucks park in one spot for 1 ½ days and then move to another nearby location, for several weeks.

Action: To direct staff to prepare a report for a future agenda that includes all issues suggested by Council.

Motion Tucker, second Keegan. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

e. **LIBRARY PROPERTY TAX REPORT – ANNUAL REPORT OF EXPENDITURES AND PROPERTY TAX REVENUES.**

Memorandum from City Manager Stephen Burrell dated February 6, 2007.

City Manager Burrell presented the staff report and responded to Council questions.

Action: To place the surplus finds in the existing trust account established for surplus library funds.

Motion Reviczky, second Keegan. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

7. **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS AND REPORTS - CITY MANAGER** - None

8. **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS AND REPORTS - CITY COUNCIL** - None

9. **OTHER MATTERS - CITY COUNCIL**

a. **Request from Mayor Pro Tem Keegan to allow community groups to use Channel 8 on the cable system to show programs, in addition to Channel 54.**

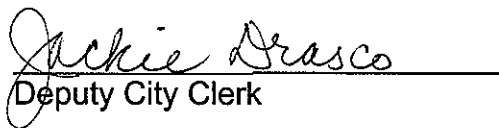
Mayor Pro Tem Keegan spoke to his request. City Attorney Jenkins responded to Council questions.

Action: To agendize the issue.

Motion Keegan, second Tucker. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT - The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Hermosa Beach adjourned in memory of Kathy Keane and Roberta Armstrong on Tuesday, February 13, 2007, at the hour of 9:14 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of February 27, 2007, at 7:10 p.m.


City Clerk


Deputy City Clerk