

MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 18, 2004

LAKEWOOD CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6000 MAIN STREET SW
LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON
(COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6)

(Note: These minutes are not verbatim. Recorded tapes are available upon request.)

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Pierce County Council was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Chair Moss.

Moss explained that the Charter requires once per year that each Councilmember conduct a Council meeting in his or her district. Moss passed the gavel to Muri, Host Councilmember for the District No. 6 meeting.

A trumpet solo of the "Star Spangled Banner" was provided; followed by the pledge.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The pledge was led by Muri, followed by a Moment of Silence in tribute to our men and women in the Military.

III. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, Harold Moss, Dick Muri, and Kevin Wimsett. Shawn Bunney arrived after roll call.

Council Staff Present: Anna Graham, Research Analyst; Steve Gross, Deputy Legal Counsel; Denise Johnson, Clerk of the Council; Leslie Swalley, Councilmember Assistant; and Tom Weber, Administrator for Research and Policy.

There were approximately 40 visitors present.

Muri recognized Council Staff in attendance. The Councilmembers introduced themselves and stated the Council District they represent. He announced that today's meeting is the first time that Rainier Communications Commission will be broadcasting via their remote media truck. He acknowledged the arrival of Councilmember Bunney, and asked Bunney to introduce himself.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moss moved approval of the Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Minutes

1. The minutes of the November 18, 2003, regular Council meeting.
2. The minutes of the March 9, 2004, regular Council meeting.
3. The minutes of the April 6, 2004, regular Council meeting.

b. Action on Ordinances (refer, set date of hearing)

1. PROPOSAL NO. 2004-27s2, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDING CHAPTER 10.24 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, PARKING, TO PROVIDE FOR IMPOUNDMENT OF ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLES ON NARROW STREETS IN SMALL LOT DEVELOPMENTS; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Calvin Goings

Contact person: Craig Adams, 798-2964

DO PASS AS SUBSTITUTED RECOMMENDATION - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON APRIL 26, 2004 - (Calvin Goings, Chair; Terry Lee, Vice Chair; Harold Moss, Member/excused; Dick Muri, Member; Kevin Wimsett, Member)

Suggested date of Council hearing: June 15, 2004

2. PROPOSAL NO. 2004-38, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTING A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO BETHEL WATER COMPANY, FOR LOCATION OF WATERLINES ON CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED RIGHTS-OF-WAY, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE SAID FRANCHISE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Shawn Bunney

Contact person: Jerry West, 798-3687

For referral to the Economic & Infrastructure Development Committee

3. PROPOSAL NO. 2004-39, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTING A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO WEATHERSWOOD VISTA WATER DISTRICT, INC., FOR LOCATION OF WATERLINES ON CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED RIGHTS-OF-WAY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE SAID FRANCHISE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Shawn Bunney

Contact person: Jerry West, 798-3687

For referral to the Economic & Infrastructure Development Committee

c. Action on Resolutions (refer, set date of hearing)

1. PROPOSAL NO. R2004-77, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR PERSONAL SERVICES OF THE PIERCE COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER FOR AN 18-MONTH TERM FROM JULY 1, 2004, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2005; AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO DISBURSE EXPENDITURES FROM THE SPECIAL PROJECTS BUDGET.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Thomas Weber, 798-6067

For referral to the Rules & Operations Committee

Suggested date of Council hearing: June 1, 2004

d. Other Items

Moss moved approval of the consent agenda; motion seconded and passed on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

VI. MESSAGES FROM EXECUTIVE/JUDGES/PROSECUTING ATTORNEY - None

VII. PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND/OR APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - None

VIII. ORDINANCES

PROPOSAL NO. 2004-25, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 2.61 OF THE PIERCE COUNTY CODE, "ANDERSON ISLAND CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD".

Wimsett moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Staff Testimony

Graham stated the Proposal will establish a citizens' advisory board. The Board will provide advice to the County, to the Council, and to the Executive. She provided a briefing of Exhibit "A" to the Ordinance. The agencies listed in the Proposal are to provide recommendations for Board membership.

Muri stated that boards and commissions allow groups to work together to provide recommendations to the County.

Public Testimony

Debbie Lowe, President, Anderson Island Association, thanked the Council for the opportunity to comment on establishing an advisory board, and reported on Anderson Island activities.

Patrick Lowe, Treasurer, Anderson Island Crime Task Force, provided background information on the Task Force and thanked the Island's citizens, Fire Department and Sheriff's Department for their support.

Gigi Talcott, 28th District Washington State Representative, spoke in support of the Proposal, stating that there are numerous issues the Board could bring to the County.

In response to Lee's question, Muri stated that Anderson Island is part of the Steilacoom School District.

Muri read the represented organizations contained in Exhibit "A" to the Ordinance.

Moss commended Muri and the Anderson Island citizens for recognizing the need to become involved in the community, and he spoke in support of the Proposal.

The Proposal passed on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

IX. RESOLUTIONS - None

X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The following officials provided updates on issues involving their City/Town: Mayor Ray Borne, City of Roy; representative for Mayor Ron Lucas, Town of Steilacoom; Mayor Steve Young, City of DuPont; Mayor Doug Richardson, City of Lakewood, provided a slide presentation of the Lakewood sewer project.

The Chair announced the conclusion of the televised portion of the Business meeting.

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Debbie Lowe thanked the Council for conducting a meeting in Lakewood.
2. Richard Rabisa spoke to past community issues in Tillicum.

3. Councilmember John Levine, City of Lakewood, spoke to economic development issues pertaining to the Lakewood, Tillicum and Woodbrook areas. A copy of his handout is contained in the Clerk's meeting file.
4. Paul Russell, Clover Creek Council, spoke to Clover Creek water pollution concerns.
5. Bao Bui, on behalf of the Vietnamese-American community, thanked the Council for adopting the Resolution to recognize the Vietnamese-American flag.
6. Robert Kepka spoke in opposition to the proposed golf course project.
7. Jurgen Huck spoke to boating safety concerns on American Lake. A copy of his handout is contained in the Clerk's meeting file.
8. Dave Sclair spoke to park design needs at Fort Steilacoom Park. A copy of his handout is contained in the Clerk's meeting file.
9. Pad Finnigan spoke to the proposed golf course project. A copy of his handout is contained in the Clerk's meeting file.
10. Dave Bass spoke to speeding boats and excessive boating noise on American Lake.
11. Ken Canfield spoke to the proposed golf course project.
12. Donna Beck spoke to the smoking ban in Pierce County.
13. Kris Kauffman spoke to citizens' advisory boards and commissions, Real Estate Excise Tax (REET), surface water management fees, and the smoking ban.

Muri acknowledged the attendance of 28th District State Representative Mike Carrell.

Gelman thanked the City of Lakewood for hosting tonight's Council meeting, and thanked Mayor Richardson for providing the County Councilmembers with City of Lakewood pins.

Muri thanked his Assistant, Leslie Swalley, and Council Staff for their work in making a successful meeting.

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XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned
at 7:10 p.m.

Attest:

Denise D. Johnson, Clerk of the Council

Approved:

Councilmember Harold Moss, Council Chair

Date Approved

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