

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE

The January 21, 2014, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Geoffrey Thomas at 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Davis, Gamble, Goering, Kamp, and Rasmussen.
Student Representative Vasatka.

Staff members present: Brazel, Farrell, Feilberg, Nelson, Popelka, Quenzer, Smoot;
and City Attorney Lell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Cudaback and recited by attendees.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

The following person spoke regarding utility billing charges for mandatory garbage service: Ms. Marlene Ferrara.

The following person spoke regarding payment and mailing options for utility billing services: Mr. Patrick Coogan.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student Representative Vasatka reported on the following topics: Free the Children Week fundraisers ('What Does the Fox Say?'; teacher karaoke event; Miracle Minute; Battle of the Bands) – approximately \$2400 was raised; and upcoming fundraising events (American Heart Association fundraiser – 'Catfight' with Snohomish High School).

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approval of the Minutes;** January 14, 2014, Regular Business Meeting
2. **Approval of AP Checks and ACH Payments**
 - A. 12/30/13 – 12/31-13; Claims Check Nos. 84502 through 84563 and ACH Payments in a total amount of \$381,201.60
 - B. 01/07/14 – 01/21/13; Claims Check Nos. 84499 through 84501, 84564 through 84597, and ACH Payments in a total amount of \$351,591.15
3. **AB14-012:** Authorize Mayor to Sign 2014 Skyhawks Sports Camps Agreement

Councilmember Rasmussen moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kamp. On vote,
Motion carried (6-0).

NEW BUSINESS

1. **AB14-013: Discussion: Council Policy Regarding Economic Development**

Mayor Thomas handed out a copy of the current City Mission and Values statement.

Discussion ensued amongst the Council regarding a City vision/mission and City Council values/goals; including the following topics: economic development; customer service; City bond debt payoff/elimination; land transactions/cash flow; projects; citizen input; the City logo; and planning/operations.

Mayor Thomas and Mr. Paul Popelka, Planning/Permitting Manager, presented information on the 2013/2014 'envision Monroe' comprehensive plan, parks, and transportation plan update process; and stated review/development of a City vision is included in the process.

2. AB14-014: Council Legislative Priorities

City Administrator Gene Brazel presented background information and the Regional 2014 Legislative Priorities of Snohomish County and Snohomish County Cities; a request was made to list out legislative priorities unique to Monroe, for the AWC City Actions Days Conference/meetings with legislators.

Discussion ensued regarding the Snohomish County/Cities priorities, and the following items unique to Monroe: marijuana legislation (opt-out/ban); US 2 Bypass Project; transportation (connection of 191st to Galaxy Way); and streamline sales tax.

FINAL ACTION

1. AB14-015: Appoint City Representatives to Various Boards and Committees

Mr. Brazel provided a review of the available positions on various boards and committees for Council consideration; and Councilmembers discussed preferences.

A. French Creek Flood Control District Joint Board

Councilmember Goering moved to appoint Councilmember Kamp as representative to the French Creek Flood Control District Joint Board; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

B. Snohomish County Tomorrow

Councilmember Gamble moved to appoint Councilmember Cudaback as representative to Snohomish County Tomorrow; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

D. Two Councilmembers to review and sign bills

Councilmember Goering moved to appoint Councilmembers Gamble and Goering to review and sign bills; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

C. Assign Council Legislative Committee Members

Councilmember Kamp moved to assign Councilmembers Davis, Hanford, and Goering to the Legislative Affairs Committee; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Goering. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

Councilmember Kamp moved to assign Councilmembers Cudaback, Davis, and Rasmussen to the Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks/Recreation, and Public Safety Committee; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Goering. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

Councilmember Gamble moved to assign Councilmembers Gamble, Goering, and Kamp to the Finance and Human Resources Committee; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Cudaback reminded the Council of the Jayme Biendl Memorial Run, Sunday, January 26, 2014, 10 a.m.

Councilmember Rasmussen reminded Council of the 'envision Monroe' – Vision Workshop, Thursday, January 23, 2014.

Councilmember Gamble offered his thoughts and prayers to Councilmember Hanford and family; and reported on attendance at a recent AAU basketball tournament and economic development opportunities therein.

Councilmember Goering thanked City Administrator Brazel for his work the past week answering his questions; and queried regarding updates on the AG Opinion issued and H3O. Councilmember Goering requested, and Councilmember Kamp supported, asking H3O to provide a status update/presentation at the February 4, 2014, Regular Meeting.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Planning/Permitting Manager Popelka reported on: projects update list; permit applications; and possible upcoming annexation.

Parks and Recreation Director Mike Farrell reported on: the Jayme Biendl Memorial Run, Sunday, January 26, 2014, 10 a.m.; economic development (events/hotels); and USA Ultimate Frisbee Tryouts, March 22/23, 2014.

Chief Quenzer reported on Everett hotels' issues.

City Attorney Zach Lell reported on the recent Attorney General's (AG) Opinion regarding 'Whether Statewide Initiative Establishing System For Licensing Marijuana

Producers, Processors, and Retailers Preempts Local Ordinances', issued January 16, 2014; and answered Council queries thereto.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Thomas and City Administrator Brazel reported on the filling of vacancies on City Boards and Commissions; candidate interviews are taking place this week. The Mayor provided his office hours to the Council (Thursdays, 1-5 p.m.), if meetings are requested.

1. Draft Agenda for January 28, 2014, Regular Business Meeting

City Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for January 28, 2014; moving all items to future business meetings.

Councilmember Goering moved to cancel the Regular Business meeting of Tuesday, January 28, 2014; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis. On vote,

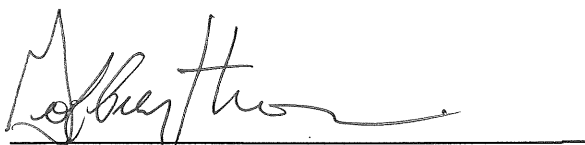
Motion carried (6-0).

ADJOURNMENT

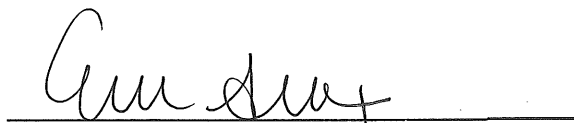
There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Goering and seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen to adjourn the meeting. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:45 p.m.



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor



Elizabeth M. Smoot, CMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of February 4, 2014.