

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE

The March 11, 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 ¹ , Hanford, Kamp, and Rasmussen.

Staff members present: Brazel, Farrell, Feilberg, Nelson, Popelka, Quenzer, Roberts, and Smoot.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Thomas and recited by attendees.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Monroe MusicFest Presentation (Keith Brock)

Mr. Keith Brock provided an overview of the 2013 Monroe MusicFest event “Dare to Dream”, highlighting the event goals, event webpage creation, vendors/sponsors/ collaborators, promotional materials and marketing; and plans for the 2014 Monroe MusicFest. General discussion ensued regarding anticipated cost savings for 2014 event; vendors/sponsors; marketing; and funding.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. AB14-044: Ordinance No. 003/2014, Amending MMC 5.02, Business Licenses, and 6.04.040, Public Nuisances Offending Morals and Decency; Citizen Testimony/Adoption of Ordinance (Second/Final Reading)

Mr. Paul Popelka, Planning/Permitting Manager, provided background information on the proposed ordinance; a first reading of the ordinance was accepted on March 4, 2014.

The following persons spoke regarding AB14-044/Ordinance No. 003/2014: Jacob Sando; Jaelyn Longsine; Dale Taylor; Sandy Mesenbrink; Michael Hanford; Nicolas Bennett; and Dolly Leisten.

Councilmember Hanford moved to close the citizen testimony portion of the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

Councilmember Gamble moved to close the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Hanford. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

¹ CLERK’S NOTE: Councilmember Gamble arrived at approximately 7:55 p.m.; during the Citizen Testimony portion of the Public Hearing on AB14-044/Ordinance No. 003/2014.

Councilmembers commented on their position in regards to AB14-044 and Ordinance No. 003/2014; and the following topics: a study on marijuana use/abuse; potential litigation related to marijuana-related regulations; the discrepancy between state and federal laws; medicinal marijuana uses; and I-502.

Councilmember Gamble moved to adopt Ordinance No. 003/2014, amending MMC 5.02, Business Licenses, and 6.04.040, Public Nuisances Offending Morals and Decency; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

The following persons spoke regarding Monroe MusicFest: Annique Bennett; Lisa Caldwell; and Sandy Mesenbrink.

The following person spoke regarding the City of Monroe 2013 Budget; and requested copy thereof: Sandy Mesenbrink.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pricing of Property: RCW 42.30.110 (1)(c) - *15 Minutes*

Mayor Thomas stated that the Council would recess into Executive Session to discuss Pricing of Property for approximately 15 minutes; and read the appropriate citation in to the record - RCW 42.30.110 (1)(c).

The meeting recessed into executive session at 8:28 p.m.; the executive session was extended twice for a total of 10 additional minutes; and the meeting reconvened at 8:55 p.m.

Councilmember Hanford moved to add an item the agenda: Pricing of Property Presentation by Jane Lanford; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0)²

Ms. Jane Lanford provided a document regarding the pricing of property in the area; and a market overview.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – no report provided.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes; March 4, 2014, Regular Business Meeting
2. Approval of Payroll Warrants and ACH Payments

² CLERK'S NOTE: Councilmember Kamp was absent from Chambers during the vote on this motion.

Councilmember Hanford moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,
Motion carried (5-0).³

NEW BUSINESS

1. AB14-045: Traffic Enforcement Alternatives (Discussion)

Police Chief Tim Quenzer provided background information on AB14-045; and the three traffic enforcement options presented for Council's consideration: 1) to reinstate school zone cameras; 2) to dedicate two motorcycle officers to work school zones and other traffic problems within the City; and 3) to do nothing. Option 2 is recommended by staff. This item was discussed at the March 10, 2014, City Council Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation and Public Safety Committee Meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the three options presented; preferential action by Councilmembers; costs/funding; current school zone enforcement/signage; use of motorcycles versus patrol cars; a proposed advisory vote regarding use of traffic enforcement cameras in school zones; and taking immediate action.

Councilmember Hanford moved to authorize the Police Department to work with the Operations Manager to prepare and send a Request for Proposal to purchase two motorcycles and equipment to address public safety and traffic concerns; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,
Motion carried (5-1); with Councilmember Kamp opposed.

2. AB14-046: Approval of Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish Conservation District for the Purpose of Providing Public Education and Conservation Services

Mr. Jakeh Roberts, Public Works Manager, provided background information on AB14-046 and the proposed Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish Conservation District.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish Conservation District; and expressly authorize further minor revisions to the extent deemed necessary or appropriate; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

3. AB14-047: Approval of Resolution No. 006/2014, Supporting the Million March Against Child Abuse

Councilmember Hanford provided background information on AB14-047/Resolution No. 006/2014; and the Million March Against Child Abuse, to be held Saturday, April 5, 2014, 6pm, at Evergreen Speedway, Monroe, Washington.

³ CLERK'S NOTE: Councilmember Kamp was absent from Chambers during the vote on the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Hanford moved to approve Resolution No. 006/2014, expressing support for the Million March Against Child Abuse; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Gamble. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

FINAL ACTION

1. AB14-048: Adoption of Ordinance No. 004/2014, Amending Chapter 13.10 MMC Pertaining to Sewage Pretreatment Definitions and Requirements; Second/Final Reading

Mr. Brad Feilberg, Public Works Director, provided background information on AB14-048/Ordinance No. 004/2014; a first reading of the ordinance was accepted on March 4, 2014.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to adopt Ordinance No. 004/2014, Amending Chapter 13.10 of the Monroe Municipal Code as it pertains to Sewage Pretreatment; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen. On vote,

Motion carried (6-0).

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Hanford wished all a Happy St. Patrick's Day (forthcoming).

Councilmember Cudaback commented on a school auction attended the previous weekend; and queried regarding scheduling future Joint Meetings as part of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update process.

Councilmember Rasmussen reported on the March 10, 2014, City Council Transportation/Planning, Public Works, Parks & Recreation, and Public Safety Committee Meeting.

Councilmember Gamble commented on Daylight Savings Time; the beginning of Little League Baseball; and offered kudos to the Parks & Recreation Department regarding baseball fields maintenance.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Mike Farrell, Parks & Recreation Director, thanked the Key Club for their clean-up effort at Lake Tye; and reported that the department is currently advertising to fill multiple part-time seasonal maintenance positions.

Mr. Feilberg reported on Walmart Construction, and traffic revisions associated thereto; a signal closure due to PUD electrical work; and the resurfacing on SR203.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

City Administrator Gene Brazel thanked the Mayor for his presentation at the Monroe Chamber of Commerce Luncheon held earlier on Tuesday, March 11, 2014.

Mayor Thomas commented on the March 4th Chamber Luncheon; and the upcoming 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting – Thursday, March 27, 2014, regarding transportation.

1. Draft Agenda for March 18, 2014, Regular Business Meeting

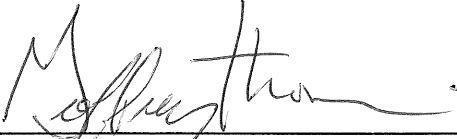
Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for the March 18, 2014, regular business meeting. Per Council discussion, the Monroe MusicFest Discussion was moved to the March 25, 2014, meeting; and per the Mayor's request, the Pay for Performance Policy item was moved to 'Unfinished Business'.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion carried (6-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:59 p.m.



Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor



Elizabeth M. Smoot, CMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of March 18, 2014.