

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE

The August 19, 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, Gamble, Goering, Kamp, Hanford, and Rasmussen.

Staff members present: Brazel, Feilberg, Ginnard, Smoot, and Warthan; City Attorney Snyder.

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

Mayor Thomas noted the excused absence of Councilmember Davis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation: Monroe Fair Days

Mayor Thomas read the Monroe Fair Days Proclamation into the record; and presented the proclamation to Una Wirkebau-Hartt, Executive Director, Monroe Chamber of Commerce; and Hal Gausman, Evergreen State Fair Manager and Snohomish County Deputy Park and Recreation Director. Mr. Gausman thanked the City for their partnership and support.

2. Presentation: Monroe High School

This item was removed from the agenda at the time of the meeting.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

There were no persons present wishing to address the Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Labor Negotiations - RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) (30 minutes)

Mayor Thomas stated that the Council would recess into Executive Session to discuss Labor Negotiations [RCW 42.30.140(4)(b)]for approximately 30 minutes; and read the appropriate citation into the record.

The meeting recessed into executive session at 7:07 p.m.; and reconvened at 7:37p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes; August 12, 2014, Regular Business Meeting
2. Approval of Payroll Warrants and ACH Payments

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. AB14-105: City Web and Social Media Presence Options

City Administrator Gene Brazel provided background information and research procured; and reviewed the proposed City web and social media presence options. Mayor Thomas commented on the options presented.

Councilmember Hanford provided a report and recommendation on behalf of the Legislative Affairs Committee.

Councilmember Hanford moved to select City web and social media presence option number two (2) the motion was seconded by Councilmember Goering.

Discussion ensued regarding the following topics: individual Councilmembers' preferred options; archiving services functionality, costs, and staff time associated with each option; risks and benefits to the use of social media; and compliance with State statutes.

On vote, Motion failed (3-3);
Councilmembers Cudaback, Gamble, and Rasmussen opposed.

Mayor Thomas opted to not vote on the matter; and stated the item would be continued to the September 2, 2014, meeting; when all seven Councilmembers will be present.

NEW BUSINESS

1. AB14-106: Monroe Public Defense System Briefing

Mr. Scott Snyder, City Attorney, briefed the City Council on the Monroe Public Defense System; including the following topics: *Wilbur v. Mt. Vernon*; changes to the City's Public Defense System; and establishment of the Monroe Municipal Court.

General discussion ensued regarding the new municipal court, public defense contracts forthcoming, cost increases, and grant application for public defense funds.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

1. Legislative Affairs Committee

Councilmember Hanford stated there was no further report from the Legislative Affairs Committee.

Councilmember Goering commented on the forthcoming Evergreen State Fair and Monroe Chamber of Commerce hosted events thereto.

Councilmember Gamble commented on Monroe Youth Football, and the ALS 'Ice Bucket Challenge' taken by the football coaches, and extended to Mayor Thomas.

Councilmember Kamp commented on the forthcoming Evergreen State Fair and Fair Days Parade.

Councilmember Rasmussen commented on the pervious pavement on Hill Street.

Councilmember Cudaback commented on the Chain Lake Road roundabout project.

Councilmember Hanford commented on the Chain Lake Road roundabout project.; and the forthcoming Evergreen State Fair and Fair Days Parade.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Public Works Report

There were no staff reports given at the time of the meeting.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Thomas reported on a citizen request for information on Al Borlin, the Staff Recognition Lunch held the previous week, and attendance at the Mexican Rodeo held the previous weekend.

1. Draft Agenda for August 26, 2014, Regular Business Meeting

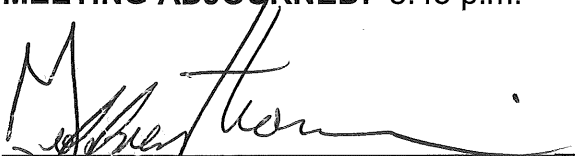
Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for the August 26, 2014, regular business meeting. Mayor Thomas reviewed the extended agenda.

ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Gamble and seconded by Councilmember Hanford 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 August 26, 2014.