

Town Council – April 20, 2006 @ 5:30 PM

The Town Council met in regular session with Mayor Jones presiding.

Members present: Brooks, Emery, Gillette, & Rosenfeld

Council excused the absence of Councilmember Illg.

Others present: Town Administrator Fitch & Treasurer Picinich

Mayor Jones led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public access items forthcoming.

Resolution #1509

Mayor Jones introduced draft Resolution #1509 for discussion. A resolution authorizing the Mayor and Town Finance Officer to apply for a low-interest loan from the Public Works Trust Fund for construction of the submarine sewer main replacement project. Administrator Fitch explained the particulars of said resolution. Councilmember Emery moved and Councilmember Rosenfeld seconded to adopt Resolution #1509 as stated. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #1510

Mayor Jones introduced draft Resolution #1510 for discussion. A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Friday Harbor for the purchase of a sewer pump-out boat in the amount of \$18,000.00. Administrator Fitch explained the particulars of said resolution. Councilmember Rosenfeld moved and Councilmember Brooks seconded to adopt Resolution #1510 as stated. Following inquiry, the motion passed unanimously.

At 5:36 PM, Attorney Eaton arrived during the above resolution discussion.

Ordinance #1305

Mayor Jones introduced draft Ordinance #1305. An ordinance amending the 2002 Town of Friday Harbor Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map and amending Ordinance No. 1256. Administrator Fitch explained the particulars of said ordinance. Councilmember Gillette moved and Councilmember Rosenfeld seconded to adopt Ordinance #1305 as stated. The motion passed unanimously.

Claims

Councilmember Rosenfeld moved and Councilmember Emery seconded to approve the payment of claim warrants #27654 through #27717 in the amount of \$93,395.66. The motion passed unanimously.

Non-agenda

Councilmember Brooks asked that discussion regarding the Land Bank's request for Council input concerning acquisitions or projects within Town be placed on a

future agenda. Mayor Jones indicated that Councilmember Illg is the Town's liaison with the Land Bank and perhaps she could forward the Council's wishes to them.

Councilmember Brooks reported that the Affordable Housing Funding Commission no longer exists. Ms. Brooks indicated she would be chairing the new Housing Bank Commission for 60 days, but would be unable to serve after that time and encouraged another Councilmember to volunteer. Councilmembers expressed inability to serve on said Commission due to lack of available time. Mayor Jones indicated he would contact Councilmember Illg about her time availability. Discussion followed regarding whether or not the representative on said Commission could be someone other than a Town elected official. Administrator Fitch indicated that the information he received stated a "Town representative" was acceptable.

Councilmember Rosenfeld suggested inviting County Administrator, David Goldsmith, to a Town Council meeting as a way to improve communications between Town and County Councils. Following discussion, Mayor Jones and Administrator Fitch volunteered to work on improving communications between the two entities.

Discussion began regarding the request by Jim Desermeaux to eliminate parallel parking on Tucker Avenue. Following discussion, it was the consensus of Council to eliminate all parallel parking on both sides of Tucker Avenue.

Administrator Fitch indicated that a copy of the memo from Jon Shannon, SJC Public Works Director to Kathy Turnbull, SJC Treasurer regarding the distribution of Capron Funds was in front of Council for their review. Discussion and inquiry followed regarding the timeline for requesting a change in the percentage distributed to the Town of said funds; regulating non-taxable properties via land use zoning; requesting an annual assessment for all of San Juan County; and doing a side appraisal of the non-taxable properties within Town. No clear Council direction was heard.

Administrator Fitch reported that one bid was received for the Guard Street – Phase 3 improvement project at approximately 30% higher than the engineer's estimate. Mr. Fitch explained the particulars of said bid and discussions with the Transportation Improvement Board regarding additional funding.

Councilmember Gillette advocated combining Phases 3 & 4 to save staging costs. Administrator Fitch explained how combining the two phases would make it more complicated because of federal grant funding restrictions.

Councilmember Emery suggested the Town reconsider spending funds on plans and specifications for Guard Street Phase 4 and use the funds scheduled for that phase on Phase 3.

Closed Session

At 6:20 PM, hearing no objection, Mayor Jones declared the meeting in closed session to discuss union negotiations.

At 6:32 PM, Mayor Jones declared the meeting back in regular session and hearing no further business declared the meeting adjourned.

David F. Jones, Mayor

Kelle Wilson, Town Clerk