

Town Council – May 17, 2007 @ Noon

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

Members present: Balcomb-Bartok, Brooks, Emery, Gillette, & Illg

Others present: Treasurer Picinich & Land Use Administrator Bertrand

Mayor Jones led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public access items forthcoming.

Proclamations

Mayor Jones proclaimed May 19th through May 28th, 2007 as Poppy Days in the Town of Friday Harbor and urged citizens to support their Veterans and American Legion Auxiliary.

Mayor Jones proclaimed May 2007 as National Historic Preservation Month and urged citizens to promote preservation of our heritage resources by participating in this special observance.

Non-agenda

Land Use Administrator Bertrand distributed the staff report for the 2007 Amendments to the 2002 Comprehensive Plan public hearing scheduled on May 24, 2007. Mr. Bertrand explained the particulars of said staff report and related items. Mayor Jones reminded Council that said public hearing will be their opportunity to ask questions.

Regarding the Intermodal Transportation Plan, Mr. Bertrand indicated that a memorandum of understanding will not be forthcoming due to the state legislature's decision to audit the ferry transportation system. Discussion followed.

Anchor Management Services Update

At 12:15 PM, Mike Akin, owner of Anchor Management Services, updated Council on summer traffic control and WSF terminal operations. Discussion followed regarding double lane loading/unloading; traffic patterns; additional traffic control; pedestrian disruptions; traffic congestion; and employee housing.

Ordinance #1334

At 12:15 PM, Mayor Jones introduced draft Ordinance #1334 for consideration. Draft Ordinance #1334 amends Ordinance No. 945 and Chapter 10.04 of the Friday Harbor Municipal Code concerning time limited parking. Town Marshal Bertrand suggested that the 4-hour parking limit be extended from 200 feet to 300 feet under Section 2(C)(3) of said draft ordinance. Discussion followed.

Councilmember Illg asked that staff develop a map depicting those areas with time limited parking for distribution. Mr. Bertrand said he would ask Warren Jones, Zoning Coordinator, to create a readable handout.

Following discussion, Councilmember Brooks moved and Councilmember Balcomb-Bartok seconded to adopt Ordinance #1334 including the suggested revision to Section 2(C)(3). The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #1335

At 12:35 PM, Mayor Jones opened consideration of draft Ordinance #1335. An ordinance establishing the date (May 24, 2007), time (5:30 PM), and place (152 First Street North) for a meeting of the Friday Harbor Town Council, to take place at a location other than that specified by Ordinance No. 1135. Councilmember Illg moved and Councilmember Balcomb-Bartok seconded to adopt said ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

Claims

Mayor Jones postponed the payment of claims to the evening Town Council meeting.

Mayor Jones complimented Council on their good work and preparedness at the Council retreat on May 3rd.

Minutes

Councilmember Gillette suggested additional language be added to the minutes of May 3, 2007 during discussion of the Trout Lake Watershed Planning. Council concurred. Councilmember Gillette moved and Councilmember Brooks seconded to approve the Town Council minutes of April 19, 2007 noon and 5:30 PM meetings and May 3, 2007 1:00 PM and 5:30 PM as corrected. The motion passed unanimously.

Non-agenda

Councilmember Balcomb-Bartok commented that the painting improvements to the Town streets and crosswalks are a great enhancement.

Councilmember Brooks commented on affordable housing needs within Friday Harbor. Councilmember Emery encouraged Council to attend a forum on June 20th & 21st regarding “Smart Growth”.

Councilmember Balcomb-Bartok noted that the Evergreen Development is regrouping their Homeowner’s Association and may be ready to speak with Council in the near future regarding requested improvements in that development.

At 12:46 PM, hearing no further business and no objection, Mayor Jones declared the meeting adjourned.

David F. Jones, Mayor

Kelle Wilson, Town Clerk