



## SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES TOWN COUNCIL

**Thursday, June 18, 2015 – Council Chambers – Evening Session**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Lacher called the regular session of the Town Council to order at 5:30 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers: Position No. 1, Steve Hushebeck; Position No. 2, Noel Monin; Position No. 3, Anna Maria de Freitas; Position No. 4, Farhad Ghatan; and Position No. 5, Barbara Starr.

Others Present: Mayor, Carrie Lacher; Treasurer, Kelle' Wilson; Town Administrator, Duncan Wilson; and Clerk, Amy Taylor.

The Town Attorney was on-call.

### **FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Lacher conducted the flag salute.

### **PUBLIC ACCESS TIME**

Owners of Into the Woods Bed & Breakfast inquired if Town intended to discontinue sale of potable water.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

#### Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan

At 5:35 p.m., Mayor Lacher opened the public hearing regarding the Town Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan for years 2016 through 2021. Administrator Wilson explained the requirement for a public hearing and described the projects, if approved. Administrator Wilson noted two revisions to the proposed plan.

At 6:33 p.m., Mayor Lacher opened the public testimony portion of the hearing. Hearing no comment from the audience or Council, Mayor Lacher closed the public hearing.

**Moved by Starr, seconded by de Freitas, to adopt Resolution No. 2122, adopting the 2016 to 2021 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### Ordinance No. 1564

At 6:34 p.m., Mayor Lacher introduced discussion of draft Ordinance No. 1564, *establishing interim development regulations as authorized by the Growth Management Act relating to amending FHMC Sections 17.20.020 and 17.24.020, permitted uses in the single-family and multifamily residential zones; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.* Administrator Wilson explained that the code as it currently provides does not allow for transient rentals in the SFR and MFR zones. Due to enforcement issues, the Attorney has recommended that FHMC be amended to specifically state that "transient accommodations" as that term is defined in Title 17 are not permitted uses in the SFR and MFR zones. A public hearing to consider the emergency ordinance is scheduled July 16, 2015. Discussion followed regarding changes to the remainder of Title 17.

47 **Moved by Hushebeck, seconded by de Freitas, to adopt Ordinance No. 12564, establishing**  
48 **interim development regulations as authorized by the Growth Management Act relating to**  
49 **amending FHMC Sections 17.20.020 and 17.24.020, permitted uses in the single-family and**  
50 **multifamily residential zones; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.**  
51 **Motion passed unanimously.**  
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53 Ordinance No. 1565

54 At 6:43 p.m., Mayor Lacher introduced discussion of draft Ordinance No. 1565, *amending Chapter 10.04*  
55 *FHMC concerning time limited parking*. Administrator Wilson explained that the ordinance corrects  
56 certain listings to correspond with current signage and clarifies the effective times for eight-hour parking.  
57 Discussion followed regarding over-regulation for time-limited parking.  
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59 **Moved by Ghatan, seconded by Hushebeck, to adopt Ordinance No. 1565, amending Chapter**  
60 **10.04 FHMC concerning time limited parking. Motion passed unanimously.**  
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62 Ordinance No. 1566

63 At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Lacher introduced discussion of draft Ordinance No. 1566, *amending FHMC 2.66.020*  
64 *relating to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee*. Administrator Wilson explained that the LTAC has  
65 recommended term limits. Mayor Lacher stated that she was neither for or against term limits, however,  
66 felt that if adopted the LTAC would need to determine how to stagger their terms amongst themselves.  
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68 **Moved by Ghatan, seconded by Starr, to adopt draft Ordinance No. 1566, amending FHMC**  
69 **2.66.020 relating to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Motion passed unanimously.**  
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71 Ordinance No. 1567

72 At 7:06 p.m., Mayor Lacher introduced discussion of draft Ordinance No. 1567, *fixing salary for the*  
73 *position of Administrative Executive Assistant and amending Ordinance No. 1559*. Administrator Wilson  
74 explained that Julie Greene has successfully completed her annual performance review in June 2015.  
75 Town is offering Ms. Greene a new salary of \$49,500. Discussion followed regarding new job  
76 responsibilities.  
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78 **Moved by Starr, seconded by Monin, to adopt Ordinance No. 1567, fixing salary for the**  
79 **position of Administrative Executive Assistant and amending Ordinance No. 1559. Motion**  
80 **passed unanimously.**  
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82 **WORK SESSION**

83 Water Consumption

84 Mayor Lacher introduced discussion of water restrictions. Administrator Wilson explained that while Trout  
85 Lake filled to capacity in 2015, Town has noted an unusually high water demand in the first two weeks  
86 of June as the result of the dry weather, possibly dryer soils and insufficient recharge of San Juan Island  
87 wells. At this point there is no justification to declare a minor emergency pursuant to the Water Shortage  
88 Response Plan. On the other hand, it is probably appropriate to ask for voluntary conservation so that  
89 we do not place the Town in a position to implement any mandatory restrictions later in the summer.  
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91 Administrator Wilson suggested a press release asking for voluntary conservation and talking points.  
92 Discussion followed regarding excessive use and the increase of users for water.  
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94 **Council consensus to bring back recommendations for an ordinance on excessive water use**  
95 **charges; continue selling potable water for drinking projects; and inform the SJC Cattle**  
96 **Point Project that Town will discontinue selling water for the project after July 21<sup>st</sup>.**  
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99 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

100 Moved by de Freitas, seconded by Starr, to approve the minutes of June 4, 2015. Motion passed  
101 unanimously.

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103 **FUTURE AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

104 No future agenda items were forthcoming.

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106 **CITIZEN RESPONSE**

107 No citizen response was forthcoming.

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110 **ADJOURNMENT** – Hearing no further business and no objection, Mayor Lacher adjourned the meeting  
111 at 7:53 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 2, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

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114 **These minutes were approved on July 2, 2015. The original document is retained by the**  
115 **Clerk in the Town Council’s permanent records. Attest: Amy Taylor, Town of Friday Harbor**  
116 **Clerk**