



SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES TOWN COUNCIL

Thursday, March 3, 2016 – 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.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Lacher conducted the flag salute.

PUBLIC ACCESS TIME

No public access was forthcoming.

PUBLIC HEARING

Title 17 – Density

At 5:33 p.m., Mayor Lacher opened the public hearing regarding revisions to Title 17 FHMC concerning density. Mayor Lacher explained that the hearing was legislative in nature. Land Use Administrator, Mike Bertrand, entered Exhibit A – Letters of Support as testimony in favor of the amendment. Mr. Bertrand explained how the current calculation for urban density works and effect the proposed amendment would have on housing density.

Mayor Lacher opened the public testimony portion of the hearing. Hearing none, Mayor Lacher opened the hearing to Council questions. The Council inquired about potential impacts to utilities. Mr. Bertrand explained that the impacts are neutral to Town utilities.

At 5:42 p.m., hearing no public testimony or further questions from the Council, Mayor Lacher closed the public hearing.

Moved by Hushebeck, seconded by Ghatan, to adopt Ordinance No. 1583, amending Title 17 FHMC regarding density calculations for residential zoning. Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Council Committee Assignments

At 5:46 p.m., Mayor Lacher introduced discussion of soon to be vacant positions for committee assignments. Councilmember Monin explained that he was resigning from SJC Board of Health, Solid Waste Advisory Committee and Friday Harbor Arts Commission due to recent events at Fire District 3. Mr. Monin commented that for the time being he needed to embrace new responsibilities. Discussion followed regarding the duties and time commitments required for the vacant positions.

Moved by Monin, seconded by Starr, to nominate the following: Mayor Carrie Lacher to the Town represented position on the SJC Board of Health; Councilmember Steve Hushebeck to the Town represented position on the

46 **SJC Solid Waste Advisory Committee; and Councilmember Farhad Ghatan to the vacant position of Chair on the**
47 **Friday Harbor Arts Commission. Motion passed unanimously.**

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49 **ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

50 At 5:52 p.m., Administrator Wilson presented the Town Council with an update of the following:

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- 52 • FH Gallery Card – The promotional rack card for local art galleries was distributed.
 - 53 • Lighting Upgrades – The next phase of the energy grant are about to begin. Older lighting fixtures will be
 - 54 replaced with LED lighting at Town Hall.
 - 55 • SJC Legislative Agenda – Town was invited to the meeting for drafting the legislative agenda.
 - 56 • AWC Scholarship – Student Amanda Finch was nominated by Town to compete for the annual scholarship.
 - 57 • Zito Media – The cable TV franchise is expired. Town will hold a public hearing on April 7th to consider
 - 58 renewal. A press release will be issued to notify Town of the opportunity to discuss performance issues.
 - 59 • Spring Street Pocket Park – Town will discuss final schematic designs of the pocket park on March 17th.
 - 60 Discussion followed regarding the public notification process. **Council consensus to not hold an**
 - 61 **additional public hearing for this topic; and not begin utilizing Facebook for notification.**
 - 62 • Spring Street W/S/S Reconstruction – Phase 3 – The project is on schedule to date with minor issues.
 - 63 • Tucker Avenue Reconstruction – Phase 2 – Town received eight statement of qualifications. After review,
 - 64 Gray & Osborne appears to be the most qualified to complete the scope of work required.
 - 65 • Wind Damage – High winds during recent weather events cause several street signs to bend and fell one
 - 66 tree on Web Street.
 - 67 • Spring Banners – The crew should be nearly finished with installing the Spring Banners.
 - 68 • AWC – RMSA – Administrator Wilson will attend the annual risk pool conference in Nashville.
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70 **FUTURE AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

71 No future agenda items were forthcoming.

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73 **CITIZEN RESPONSE**

74 No citizen response was forthcoming.

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76 **ADJOURNMENT** – Hearing no further business and no objection, Mayor Lacher adjourned the meeting at 6:45
77 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.

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80 **These minutes were approved on March 17, 2016. The original document is retained by the Clerk in the Town**
81 **Council’s permanent records. Attest: Amy Taylor, Town of Friday Harbor Clerk**