

<b>Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call</b>	7:00 p.m.
<b>Approval of the Agenda</b>	Approved
<b>Presentations</b>	
Sergeant Oath of Office - Adam Vermeulen	Sworn In
Officer Oath of Office - Bryant Gerfin	Sworn In
Employee Services Awards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dean Briscoe, Traffic Control Systems Tech – Engineering – 20 Years</li> <li>• Miles DeRushe, Custody Officer – 25 year</li> <li>• Jeff Goldman, Police Commander – 25 Years</li> <li>• Doug Lee, Police Officer – 25 Years</li> <li>• Russ Irvin, Custody Irvin – 25 years</li> </ul>	Presented
Volunteer of the Month – August 2014 - Jennifer Ward and Elizabeth Woche	Presented
Pride of Marysville Neighborhood Improvement Awards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Best Home/Pride of the Neighborhood</i> – 1702 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Street – Steve and Peggy Richard</li> <li>• <i>Best Business</i> – Hilton Pharmacy - Mary Kirkland</li> <li>• <i>Best Block/Neighborhood</i> – Historic Downtown 3<sup>rd</sup> Street</li> <li>• <i>James Comford Award</i> (Mayor's Choice – Walgreen's) – Alan Powell, Manager</li> </ul>	Presented
Fire Study	Presented
<b>Committee Reports</b>	None
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	
Approval of the September 2, 2014 City Council Work Session Minutes.	Approved
<b>Consent Agenda</b>	
Approval of the August 27, 2014 Claims in the Amount of \$580,989.14; Paid by Check Number's 94338 through 94500 with No Checks Voided.	Approved
Approval of the September 3, 2014 Claims in the Amount of \$615,669.57; Paid by Check Number's 94501 through 94619 with No Checks Voided.	Approved
Approval of the September 10, 2014 Claims in the amount of \$1,122,576.68; Paid by Check Number's 94620 through 94758 with Check Number 92246 Voided.	Approved
Approval of the September 05, 2014 payroll in the amount \$1,525,210.06; Paid by Check Number's 28124 through 28181.	Approved
<b>Review Bids</b>	
<b>Public Hearings</b>	
<b>New Business</b>	
Consider Acceptance of the JAG Grant Awarded by the Justice Department for Police Department Expenditures.	Approved
Consider a Resolution of the City of Marysville Acceptance of a Gift Subject to Conditions	Approved Res. No. 2365
<b>Legal</b>	
<b>Mayor's Business</b>	

<b>Staff Business</b>	
<b>Call on Councilmembers</b>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	
<b>Executive Session</b>	9:30
<b>Litigation – two items</b>	9:35
<b>Reconvenement</b>	9:45 p.m.
Authorize the City staff and the City Attorney's Office to acquire the properties located at 1304 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Maryville, WA 98270 (Snohomish County tax parcel numbers 300533-002-025-00 and 300533-002-029-00) and 1408 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Marysville, WA 98270 (005511-009-005-00, 005511-009-003-00 and 005511-009-004-00), or either of them, under threat of exercise of the City's powers of eminent domain and to take such action as may be necessary to conclude the transactions, and to direct the Clerk to make a minute entry of this motion and City Council action.	
<b>Real Estate – one item</b>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	9:45 p.m.

# COUNCIL



# MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**  
September 22, 2014

## **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Nehring called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Nehring led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Roll Call**

Chief Administrative Officer Hirashima gave the roll call. The following staff and councilmembers were in attendance.

**Mayor:** Jon Nehring

**Council:** Steve Muller, Kamille Norton, Jeff Seibert, Michael Stevens, Rob Toyer, Jeff Vaughan, and Donna Wright

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Chief Administrative Officer Gloria Hirashima, Finance Director Sandy Langdon, Police Chief Rick Smith, City Attorney Grant Weed, Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen, Parks and Recreation Director Jim Ballew, Community Information Officer Doug Buell, and Recording Secretary Laurie Hugdahl.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Toyer, seconded by Councilmember Muller, to approve the agenda. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

## **Committee Reports**

### **Presentations**

A. Sergeant Oath of Office

Adam Vermeulen was introduced and sworn into the office of Sergeant.

B. Officer Oath of Office

Bryant Gerfin was introduced and sworn into the office of Police Officer.

### C. Employee Services Awards

The following employees were recognized for their service to the City:

- Dean Briscoe, Traffic Control Systems Tech – Engineering – 20 Years
- Miles DeRushe, Custody Officer – 25 year

The following employees were not present, but earned awards:

- Jeff Goldman, Police Commander – 25 Years
- Doug Lee, Police Officer – 25 Years
- Russ Irvin, Custody Irvin – 25 years

### D. Volunteer of the Month

Jennifer Ward and Elizabeth Woche from Save-A-Mutt were recognized as volunteers of the month for August 2014 for their outstanding volunteer contributions through the popular Scrub-a-Mutt fundraising dog wash at Strawberry Fields Park, partnering with various pet adoption agencies, and their newest mission to save and find homes for puppies in out-of-state shelters at risk of being put down.

### E. Pride of Marysville Neighborhood Improvement Awards

The following groups/individuals were recognized for their contribution to Marysville's neighborhoods:

- *Best Home/Pride of the Neighborhood* – 1702 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Street – Steve and Peggy Richard
- *Best Business* – Hilton Pharmacy - Mary Kirkland
- *Best Block/Neighborhood* – Historic Downtown 3<sup>rd</sup> Street
- *James Comeford Award* (Mayor's Choice – Walgreen's) – Alan Powell, Manager

### F. Fire Study

Finance Director Sandy Langdon reminded the Council that the City contracted with FCS Group to do a study regarding Fire and EMS organizational alternatives. Peter Moy and Bob Merritt from the FCS Group gave a PowerPoint presentation of the results of the study as contained in the packet distributed to the Council. The presentation included background on the Marysville Fire District, city costs, stakeholder views, organizational alternatives, Regional Fire Authority with District 12 recommendation, changes to the current Agreement, and the Regional Fire Authority process.

Discussion:

Councilmember Wright noted that the third bullet on page 18 says it provides for a governing board that can be *more representative of the population served*. She asked if there is a population somewhere that feels they are underserved. Mr. Moy commented that since the annexation 50% of the representation represents 25% of the population.

Councilmember Seibert asked if there would be a way to disband the fire authority if desired at some point in the future. Mr. Merritt replied that it all depends on the Plan. It would require a rewrite of the Plan.

Councilmember Muller asked about an estimated cost of the transition. Mr. Moy stated the basic costs would be putting together the plan and election costs.

Mayor Nehring thanked the gentlemen for their work and the presentation. The consultants thanked everyone for their cooperation and time.

### **Audience Participation**

Vonna Posey, 7719 Soper Hill Rd, Marysville, WA 98270, spoke regarding compulsory garbage service. She believes there has been an oversight in the municipal code regarding compulsory garbage service. She feels the code encourages irresponsibility and mismanagement of natural resources by increasing additional waste to our landfills. They penalize longtime city residents or newly annexed residents like herself who have practiced being green and reducing their carbon footprint for many years. She stated she doesn't want or need the services. She suggested making a provision that allows for exemption for responsible citizens who formally request to be relieved from the compulsory garbage pickup fee due to their proven history and providing other options such as encouraging increased use of the recycling bins by offering a credit for those who use them, encouraging increased use of the recycle bins for yard waste management and food composting, and providing 10 or 20 gallon bins for monthly refuse at a minimal charge of \$5 month as long as the residents continue to provide and present the recycle bins for monthly collection. She urged the City to consider her requests and help her find a solution that is mutually beneficial.

Councilmember Seibert asked if she utilizes the recycle bins provided by Waste Management. Ms. Posey said she currently does not use it, but was told that using the recycling bins was free. Councilmember Seibert explained that because of the City's contract with Waste Management it cannot provide a credit for recycling services, but those are provided at no extra charge as part of the mandatory garbage service.

Director Nielsen commented that the once-a-month service is just under \$12/month. Ms. Posey stated that the City's web page says for a 36-gallon container the cost is \$23.86/month. Finance Director Langdon thought that was for two months, but indicated she would check into it.

### **Approval of Minutes (Written Comment Only Accepted from Audience.)**

1. Approval of the September 2, 2014 City Council Work Session Minutes.

Councilmember Stevens stating he would be abstaining from the vote because he was absent on September 2.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Norton, seconded by Councilmember Muller, to approve the September 2, 2014 City Council Work Session Minutes. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0) with Councilmember Stevens abstaining.

### **Consent**

2. Approval of the August 27, 2014 Claims in the Amount of \$580,989.14; Paid by Check Number's 94338 through 94500 with No Checks Voided.
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5. Approval of the September 05, 2014 payroll in the amount \$1,525,210.06; Paid by Check Number's 28124 through 28181.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Stevens, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to approve Consent Agenda items 2, 3, 4, and 5. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

### **Review Bids**

### **Public Hearings**

### **New Business**

6. Consider Acceptance of the JAG Grant Awarded by the Justice Department for Police Department Expenditures.

Chief Smith stated this is an annual grant the City receives. It is for non-budgeted supplies and small equipment.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Wright, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to accept the funds from the JAG Grant Awarded by the Justice Department for Police Department Expenditures. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

7. Consider a Resolution of the City of Marysville Acceptance of a Gift Subject to Conditions.

Director Ballew explained that Mary Jane Miller recently made two \$1,000 donations to the Parks Department to be used internally. This resolution recognizes those two gifts.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Muller, seconded by Councilmember Toyer, to adopt Resolution No. 2365. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

## Legal

### Mayor's Business

Mayor Nehring:

- He thanked Council and Gloria and everyone involved in the Business Appreciation event on September 10.
- He thanked the Fire Department for putting on the 9/11 Memorial event. This was a great recognition event.
- He thanked Parks, Public Works, Police, Fire, and the Armed Forces Reserve Center for putting on the Touch-a-Truck event on Saturday. He thanked Councilmember Muller for driving the Rotary train.
- Carrs Hardware had their 90-year anniversary celebration on September 13. He recognized their presence in the community for 90 years.
- He attended the Snohomish County Hall of Fame event last week with Councilmember Norton and Director Ballew.
- Marysville Days of Caring was held at Pinewood Elementary on Thursday. Thanks to everyone who took part in that.
- Thanks to the local LDS church for planting over 8,000 daffodil and tulip bulbs around the community.
- Thanks to Doug and everybody involved in the Diversity Council's multicultural event last weekend.

### Staff Business

Chief Smith:

- He agreed that Touch-a-Truck was a cool event.
- He mentioned that the food was outstanding at the Business Appreciation Event.
- Public Safety meeting on Wednesday.
- Thanks to Mayor Nehring and Councilmembers Norton and Muller for being at the Awards ceremony. This was a great event.

Sandy Langdon:

- She referred to the prices for garbage pickup and clarified that it is 23.94 for a monthly pickup but the charge is bi-monthly.
- Staff is looking at reviewing the budget with Council on October 20 which is the regularly scheduled TBD meeting day. TBD is scheduled to start at 5:30, and Staff is proposing combining the two meetings. Councilmember Stevens noted that he won't be available until after 7 on October 20. There was consensus to schedule the budget meeting for 5:30 on October 20 with dinner to be provided.

Kevin Nielsen:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Street should open tomorrow so traffic downtown should clear up.
- Grove Street will be paved soon.
- Public Works Committee will meet October 3.

Jim Ballew

- The City is nearing completion of Bayview Trail and putting all the ramps in. They hope to be done within a week. A ribbon cutting will be happening soon.
- It's been a very busy and successful month with a lot of partnerships. Having the Army involved in Touch-a-Truck was a wonderful opportunity and has dovetailed into some partnerships for MaryFest's winter parade.
- Park Board will be meeting this month in the remodeled Rotary Ranch.

Chief Corn:

- He referred to the recognition tonight for the years of service for employees. He commented that the Fire Department does a similar thing at the board meeting and recently recognized 36 individuals for 455 years of experience.

Grant Weed stated the need for a short Executive Session to discuss two matters concerning pending litigation and one matter concerning acquisition of real property for 12 minutes with possible action following.

Gloria Hirashima said she received a message from Caldie Rogers with the Chamber who wanted to schedule a Chamber meeting with the Economic Development Committee. She asked the Council if they would prefer having the Chamber meet with just the Economic Development Committee or with the whole Council. There was consensus to meet with the full Council on October 6 as part of the regularly scheduled workshop at 7:00.

### **Call on Councilmembers**

Kamille Norton had no comments.

Steve Muller:

- Touch-a-Truck was awesome. It was well-received by everybody. He commended the Parks Department for the event and for the golf tournament he attended.
- The Police awards ceremony was a great event. He commended the Police Department for their teamwork.

Rob Toyer also commended the Police Department for the awards ceremony.

Michael Stevens:

- He noted that there were more nominations this year for the Neighborhood Improvement Awards than they have in years past. This is to be expected as the program becomes more established.
- He asked about the recommended next steps regarding the RFA.
  - CAO Hirashima explained that staff has requested that FCS provide the City with a potential estimate for services to assist the City in preparing a Plan and Agreement. The City would need to look at a formal negotiating committee to work with Fire District 12. She asked if the Council wants to



- discuss the report further as a Council or a committee before they embark on that step.
- Councilmember Stevens recommended using the committee they had previously formed to study the process and discuss the next steps with staff and FCS.
  - Councilmember Vaughan asked what the committee would be doing.
  - Councilmember Stevens said they would be discussing with staff and the FCS Group what their recommendation is for potential next steps and then bringing it forward to the full Council.
  - Councilmember Vaughan asked if the assumption is that the Council would be moving forward with the RFA.
  - Councilmember Stevens said it was not.
  - Councilmember Toyer said he thought the Committee would just go through the report in more detail and discuss it with no specific agenda.
  - Councilmember Seibert concurred with Councilmember Toyer and noted that any recommendations would come back to the Council.
  - Councilmember Wright said she would like more input from the Finance Department regarding financial impacts. Councilmember Toyer concurred.
  - Councilmember Vaughan asked the subcommittee if they felt they had a good enough idea of where the other council members are at regarding this matter. He has a lot of questions he would still like to discuss. He thought that there needs to be a larger discussion before breaking into a smaller committee.
  - CAO Hirashima suggested they could bring it back to the October 6/13 cycle for more discussion.
  - Councilmember Muller recommended the Council meeting as a whole regarding whether or not to go forward with the RFA. If they decide to go forward they could break it down into smaller group assignments.
  - Councilmember Seibert commented that items like this normally go to a committee meeting first to break down the details.
  - Councilmember Vaughan spoke to the importance of the Council having an opportunity to comment on this.
  - Councilmember Muller requested a timeline from staff in order to meet dates for the next election. Finance Director explained that for the February meeting, a Resolution would need to be adopted by both entities by the last week in December.
  - There was consensus to bring it to the full Council to at the October 6 work session.

Jeff Seibert announced that his daughter had a baby last Thursday.

Donna Wright reported that Hickock Park was opened 25 years ago today.

Jeff Vaughan had no comments.

Council recessed at 9:28 p.m. for five minutes before reconvening into Executive Session at 9:33 p.m. for 12 minutes.

## Executive Session

- A. Litigation – two items regarding pending litigation, RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i).
- B. Personnel
- C. Real Estate – one item regarding acquisition of real property, RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).

## Reconvenement

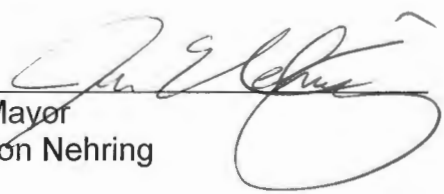
Executive Session ended and public meeting reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

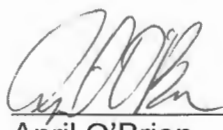
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## Adjournment

Seeing no further business Mayor Nehring adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Approved this 27 day of October, 2014.

  
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Mayor  
Jon Nehring

  
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April O'Brien  
Deputy City Clerk