

**TOWN OF RUSTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2008
7:00 PM**

AGENDA

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

AGENDA APPROVAL

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(s)

- July 21 - Regular Council Meeting
- July 24 - Special Council Meeting
- July 28 - Special Council Meeting
- August 4/12 - Regular Council Meeting
- August 18 - Regular Council Meeting
- August 25 - Special Council Meeting
- September 2 - Regular Council Meeting
- September 15 - Regular Council Meeting

BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 1267 Supplemental budget for the police department (first reading)
2. Ordinance No. 1268 – An Amendment to the Development Plan for the Stack Hill Plat alteration for set back requirements and view corridor requirements
3. Resolution No. 431 – FEMA National Flood Insurance
4. Discussion of Mayor pro-tem Huson's negotiations with Tacoma about Tacoma taking over all public services for Ruston (including Police and Fire (Albertson))
5. Discussion about Mayor pro-tem Huson's limitation of 8 hours per week devoted to Town business (Albertson)
6. Resolution to require speakers during Public Comment to provide their residence address (Albertson)
7. Discussion regarding increase in B & O tax rates (Albertson)
8. Civil Service Commission – October 14-15, 2008 attendance & cost (Huson)
9. Growth Management Act Conference – December 15 & 16, 2008 attendance & cost
10. Dog off leash park discussion (Huson)

CLAIMS/PAYROLL

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

MAYOR'S TIME

COUNCIL TIME

MEETING ADJOURNED

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At 7:00 pm, Mayor pro-tem Huson called the meeting to order. Councilmembers present were: Stebner, Hedrick, Albertson and Hunt. Agenda approval was made by Councilmember Stebner. With a second from Councilmember Huson, motion passed 5-0.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(s)

Motion to approve the minutes for July 21, July 24, July 28, August 4/12, August 18, August 25, September 2, and September 15, 2008 with minor amendments was made by Councilmember Hedrick. With a second from Councilmember Huson, motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

BUSINESS

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3. Resolution No. 431 – FEMA National Flood Insurance. Motion to approve Resolution No. 431 was made by Councilmember Stebner. With a second from Councilmember Hunt, motion passed 5-0.
4. Discussion of Mayor pro-tem Huson's negotiations with Tacoma about Tacoma taking over all public services for Ruston (including Police and Fire). Councilmember Albertson asked about the public services for Pt. Ruston waterfront development and how and who will be providing those services.
5. Discussion about Mayor pro-tem Huson's limitation of 8 hours per week devoted to Town business (Albertson).
6. Resolution to require speakers during Public Comment to provide their residence address. Councilmember Albertson requested that a resolution being put in place to require all general public comment speakers list their resident address.
7. Discussion regarding increase in B & O tax rates. Councilmember Albertson would like to see the Council look at increasing B & O taxes.
8. Civil Service Commission – October 14-15, 2008 attendance & cost. Mayor pro-tem Huson asked the Council about sending Civil Service Commissioners to a Civil Service Conference in Yakima on October 14th and October 15th.
9. Growth Management Act Conference – December 15 & 16, 2008 attendance & cost. Mayor Huson spoke of the Growth Management Act Conference and David Britton, Town legal services requested that the Town pay half the tuition for him to go.
10. Dog off leash park discussion. The Mayor and Council discussed dog use at the park.

CLAIMS/PAYROLL

Motion to approve claims warrants #'s 37593 through 37647 in the amount of \$65,193.31 and payroll warrants #'s 27147 through 27163 for the period ending September 15, 2008 in the amount of \$25,939.59 was made by Councilmember Hedrick. With a second from Councilmember Stebner, motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

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GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

General Public Comments were made by: Debbie Kristovich, Bruce Hopkins, Karen Pickett, Edie Tallman, Lyle Hardin, Terry Knapp, Sherry Forch, Jim Wingard and Connie Maglione.

MAYOR'S TIME

Topics discussed by the Mayor were: Civil Service Commission; Ruston Liaison to Pt. Ruston; The Commencement; the 2009 budget for storm and sewer; town administrator; new residents welcome package and applications for the Mayor position.

COUNCIL TIME

Councilmember Stebner talked about the conditions of the sewers and street lights and asked the Mayor to talk to Chief Reese regarding parking issues in the town.

Councilmember Hedrick had nothing at this time.

Councilmember Albertson talked about the casino taxes and Mayor's position.

Councilmember Hunt gave an update on Pt. Ruston.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Mayor pro-tem Bradley Huson

ATTEST:

Town Clerk