

**City of DuPont**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**July 22, 2008**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Call To Order:** Mayor Jenkins called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Those present were Mayor Jenkins and Councilmembers Bailey, Coffey, Ehrenreich, Marin, Trotter, Westman, and Wilcox.

**Staff Present:** Those present were, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Masko, City Administrator McDonald, City Attorney Kerslake, City Clerk Larsen, Interim Fire Chief Merritt, Interim Police Chief Goodpaster, Public Works Director Zahn.

**Pledge:** Councilmember Westman led the flag salute. The flag salute was followed by a moment of silence to honor our Military.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Coffey/Trotter 7/0 motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Consent Agenda Items:**

- Regular City Council Meeting Minutes – July 8, 2008;
- Claim Vouchers List – July 22, 2008;
- Visitor Readiness Coordinator Contract.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda items. Bailey/Coffey 7/0 motion carried.

**Discussion Items:**

**Department Briefing: Public Works**

*Public Works Director Zahn* highlighted 2008 Department areas of focus, future challenges, and recent action items. He provided pictures of the damage to the arbor at the Clock Tower Park that Public Works will need to repair.

*Councilmember Wilcox* complimented Mr. Zahn on a complete and thorough report.

*Councilmember Coffey* concurred with Councilmember Wilcox and added that Mr. Zahn is managing the Department well with a limited amount of staff.

*Councilmember Ehrenreich* concurred with the previous two statements and also inquired about how Council can help facilitate the pavement management program as there is an immediate need for crack repairs.

*Public Works Director Zahn* stated that they are currently working on a pavement management program and confirmed the need for crack sealing. He stated that we have contacted some equipment rental companies but the equipment needed is not available. He stated that we may need to look in to contracting for this type of service.

**Stormwater Program Update**

*Public Works Director Zahn* provided background information on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program which requires all point sources discharging pollutants into waters to obtain a permit. He also provided an update on the City's permit status. *Councilmember Coffey* inquired about the cost of the program.

*Public Works Director Zahn* stated that the scope of work provided by Gray and Osborne is approximately \$25,000. He stated that the City received a grant that will reimburse the City up to \$75,000 for costs associated with the NPDES permit and program requirements.

**Park Agency Quarterly Report**

*Park Agency Member Maurice Toussaint* provided a report including current projects, policy, planning, programs and events that the agency is working on. He also highlighted the Park Agency's goals and park improvements that have been identified.

*Councilmember Ehrenreich* inquired about adding additional amps at Ross Plaza for events. He also expressed concern for the loud noise the generators make when used at Clock Tower Park for events.

*Mayor Jenkins* stated that she is working with Public Works Director Zahn to expedite this project.

**Mayor's Report:**

- Provided a list of projects in order of priority for consideration for capital project grant funding: Train Canopy, Skateboard Park, Community Center, Cultural Resources Signage, Museum, and for consideration Parking Garages in cooperation with Sound Transit to accommodate visitors for the 2010 US Amateur Golf Tournament and 2015 US Open coming to the area;
- Town Hall Meeting to discuss Fire Services scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at Chloe Clark;
- Announced the Grand Opening of PowderWorks Park on July 25<sup>th</sup>;
- Announced a Council Special Meeting to be held on July 29<sup>th</sup>;
- Announced a Joint meeting between Council and the Planning Agency scheduled for August 11<sup>th</sup>;
- Announced that the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for August 26<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled;
- Announced a Town Hall Meeting and Barbeque to discuss Fire Services on August 28<sup>th</sup> at Chief Leschi Park at 6p.m.

**City Administrator's Report:**

- Introduced the Visitor Readiness Coordinator Patricia Malone and the next visitor readiness Task Force Meeting scheduled for August 4, 2008, at 10a.m. at City Hall;
- Requested a formal response to Glacier's proposal of the extension of the Sequalitchew Creek Trail, conveyance of Power Line Road and parking area;

*Councilmember Westman* inquired about the 1994 Glacier settlement agreement and the involvement of the other parties named in the agreement. He requested clarification by the City Attorney.

*City Attorney Kerslake* stated that staff is asking for the City's acceptance of the proposal, meeting the requirements of the settlement agreement. She stated that the Council can only speak on behalf of the City and that the other signatories on the agreement would have their own avenues for dispute resolution.

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*City Administrator McDonald* added that the City's obligation is to take care of the public access requirement of the agreement and that the proposal is not contrary to any other parties' interest.

*Council* concurred to accept the proposal and send an acceptance letter to Glacier.

*Councilmember Trotter* inquired about additional parking that may be needed for the Mission Site.

*City Administrator McDonald* stated that the proposal provides trail access to the Mission site and that there will be parking along Power Line Road as well as across the street at the Civic Center.

*Mayor Jenkins* stated that we are also considering an interpretive Center.

*City Administrator McDonald* added that we can utilize our land use process for historically significant sites.

### **Civic Center Update**

*Project Manager Ross Swanson* provided an update on the progress of the Civic Center project stating that we are still on schedule. He also informed Council of a beneficial staff walk through provided by the developer to address last minute details. He stated that staff had indentified some important changes.

*Mayor Jenkins* thanked Mr. Swanson for his update and recessed the meeting at 7:50 p.m. for a 5 minute break.

### **New Business:**

#### **Adjourn to a Work Session to Discuss Fire Department Levels of Service**

The meeting was reconvened at 7:57p.m. and immediately adjourned to a Council work session to discuss Fire Department levels of service.

*Interim Fire Chief Bob Merritt* and Finance Director Dawn Masko highlighted the proposed presentation for the Town Hall Meeting scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup> at Chloe Clark.

*Council* discussed the presentation and changes they would like to see made before the Town Hall Meeting on July 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Public/Council Comment:**

*Jim Skinner (1463 Thompson Cir)* recommended replacing the broken C/D player at Clock Tower Park. He expressed concern for cracking and lifting sidewalks and recommended that Council focus on repairs to sidewalks rather than roads. Mr. Skinner also recommended presenting the Fire Department information at the Town Hall Meeting as an opportunity to move forward.

*Lee Chase (309 Barksdale Ave)* stated that it is refreshing to see a lot of discussion and interaction between Councilmembers regarding the Fire Department level of service. He recommended that the presentation at the Town Hall meeting be consistent with terms used to describe the levy and be clear that it is an additional levy on top of the EMS Levy.

*Bert Wyant (603 Barksdale Ave)* stated that Council had a great discussion and that it helped him to get answers to his questions by listening. He inquired about the different funds that Council was discussing and asked for clarification.

*Finance Director Masko* outlined the declining property tax levy and EMS levy rates stating that the Fire Department is supported by the general fund. She stated that the new levy would solely pay for the Fire Department's current level of service and in turn the general fund money would be available to help maintain other City services.

*Maurice Toussaint (1163 Cosper St)* thanked the first two citizens for their comments because it helped him to understand the Fire EMS Levy better.

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*Jim Skinner (1463 Thompson Cir)* recommended that Finance Director Masko be present at the Town Hall Meeting to answer questions as her comments are easy to understand.

*Councilmember Trotter* thanked the public for their input.

*Councilmember Bailey* commented on the opening of PowderWorks Park stating that the facilities are a good mix. She also announced a presentation of Jack and the Bean Stalk at the Clock Tower Park by the Ovation Camp on July 25<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m.

*Councilmember Westman* expressed concern for the amount of cigarette butts already accumulating in the park and the possible fire danger.

*City Administrator McDonald* stated that we are currently addressing this issue with receptacles and possible areas designated for smoking.

*Councilmember Coffey* also expressed concern for smoking in public parks and supported a no smoking code. She also recommended utilizing the City's side boom mower to trim some of the areas in the park.

*Mayor Jenkins* suggested this topic for the next work session.

*Councilmember Trotter* suggested that they send this issue to the Park Agency for a recommendation.

*Councilmember Westman* expressed concern that the Fire hazard is an emergency situation and that signs should be posted at the park immediately.

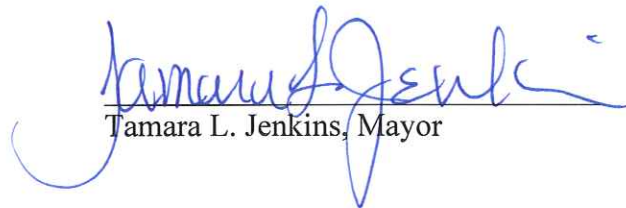
*Councilmember Marin* inquired as to the need for Council action on no smoking.

*Mayor Jenkins* clarified that the City will post signs for designated smoking areas.


**Adjournment:**

Mayor Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

**City of DuPont:**

  
Tamara L. Jenkins, Mayor

**Attest:**

  
Erin Larsen CMC, City Clerk