

**CITY OF STANWOOD**  
Regular Meeting of the City Council  
Thursday, September 28, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.  
In-Person & Zoom Online Meeting  
**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Sid Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Bergman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call**

City Clerk Lisa Sokolik called the roll with the following Councilmembers Present: Dani Gaumond, Darren Robb, Steve Shepro, Andreena Bergman, and Tim Schmitt. The meeting was quorate.

*Motion by Councilmember Robb, second by Councilmember Pearce, to excuse Councilmember Marcus Metz. **Motion carried unanimously.***

Also present: City Administrator Shawn Smith, Finance Director David Hammond, Community Development Director Patricia Love, Public Works Director Kevin Hushagen, Fire Chief John Cermak, Police Chief Jason Toner, City Attorney Nikki Thompson, City Planner Tansy Schroeder, and City Clerk Lisa Sokolik.

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

*Motion by Councilmember Gaumond, second by Councilmember Pearce to approve the agenda as published. **Motion carried unanimously.***

**4. Presentations - None**

**5. Public Comments**

Verbal Comment:

Leslie Bradley, Fife

Callie Bolten, Bothell

Mike Greenslade, Stanwood

Topic:

Dish Wireless.

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80<sup>th</sup> Ave sidewalk turned out nice, but people continue to speed. Requesting a deer crossing sign on 276<sup>th</sup>.

**6. Staff / Department Reports - None**

**7. Council Committee Reports**

- a. Community Development Committee Meeting Minutes – September 7, 2023
- b. Parks and Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - July 17, 2023
- c. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2023
- d. Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes – September 14, 2023
- e. Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes – September 6, 2023

**8. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Vouchers and Payroll Checks
- b. Approve City Council Regular Meeting Minutes – September 14, 2023

*Motion by Councilmember Gaumond, second by Councilmember Shepro to approve the consent agenda items A and B. **Motion carried unanimously.***

**9. Unfinished Business**

Dish Lease Agreement

Schroeder said the city has been working with Dish Wireless on their lease request since June 2021. Staff has worked hard over the last two years to address concerns, issues and mitigation measures. The lease agreement was brought to council on March 23, 2023, for a first reading and a public hearing on April 13, 2023. Council had concerns with lack of clearness, confusing wording, and terms within the lease.

Staff worked with Dish, then presented the revisions to the Community Development Committee to ensure the concerns were addressed. The committee now recommend approval.

*Motion by Councilmember Robb, second by Councilmember Schmitt to authorize the Mayor to sign a nonexclusive site lease agreement with Dish Wireless, LLC. to allow installation and maintenance of a co-located wireless communications facility on the city’s water tank located at 7620 278<sup>th</sup> Place NW upon issuance of the appropriate wireless communication facilities permits.*

*Roll call of votes was taken:*

- Councilmember Pearce – Yes*
- Councilmember Shepro – Yes*
- Councilmember Bergman – No*
- Councilmember Schmitt – Yes*
- Councilmember Gaumond – Yes*
- Councilmember Robb – Yes*

***Motion carried 5 yes, 1 no***

**10. Public Hearing - None**

**11. New Business**

- a. Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office Interlocal Agreement

Smith said the ILA language is almost identical to the 2023 ILA. The first change is the annual cost. Smith, Hammond, and Mayor Roberts met with Snohomish County Bureau Chief Norm Link to negotiate the cost, but the county does not profit from the agreement, the fee is set to recoup their cost. The second change is to the ILA is now the Mayor and City Administrator can interview incoming Chief candidates.

*Motion by Councilmember Shepro, second by Councilmember Bergman to authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement with the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office for years 2024-2026. **Motion carried unanimously.***

- b. Authorize Final Acceptance of the 78<sup>th</sup> Ave and 79<sup>th</sup> Drive Sewer Main Replacement Project Completed by Interwest Construction, Inc.

Hushagen said this project came in over the original contract amount but under Council's approved amount, which included a \$100,000 contingency. During construction additional side sewers were located and paving was extended to repair Cecelia Way. Staff approved these change orders using \$51,017 of the contingency. The project is complete and ICI did a good job.

*Motion by Councilmember Shepro, second by Councilmember Gaumont to authorize the final acceptance of the 78<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW and 79<sup>th</sup> Dr. NW Sewer Replacement project with Interwest Construction. **Motion carried unanimously.***

- c. Adopt Resolution 2023-13 Accepting the Conveyance of the Pioneer Hills Detention Pond

Hushagen said in 2019 Council adopted Ordinance 1472 which allows property owners and HOA's to deed ownership of privately owned drainage facilities to the city. Privately owned retention/detention facilities are considered part of the city's overall drainage infrastructure, so if the city owns them the city has better control of when and how they are maintained.

*Motion by Councilmember Shepro, second by Councilmember Robb to adopt Resolution 2023-13 authorizing the Mayor to execute the acceptance of the conveyance of the detention facilities for the Pioneer Hills development and to cause the deeds relating thereto to be recorded. **Motion carried unanimously.***

## **12. Public Closing Comments - None**

## **13. Executive/Legislative Reports**

### **a. Mayor's Report**

- Just a reminder that the city hall parking lot is open to the public for public parking after 5:00pm. Also, the Mayor asked staff to create a guest Wi-Fi hotspot for the public to use, it's now up and running and can be accessed if parked in the parking lot.
- Attending the AWC's Mayors Conference on October 13<sup>th</sup>, so Councilmember Pearce will be acting Mayor at the next council meeting.
- The 80<sup>th</sup> Ave sidewalk project is finished and looks good. We will be looking into the speeding.
- Attended the Mayors for Public Safety meeting, Sam Quinones talked about the fentanyl crisis.

### **b. City Administrator Report**

- Sarah Cho's last day is tomorrow. Sarah did a wonderful job as the Economic Development and Marketing Manager, and she will be missed. She is leaving to go to another city for more money, although we pay our staff a good salary, we cannot compete with the bigger cities.

- The final project acceptance for the 80<sup>th</sup> paving project will be coming to council in October. There was one change order authorized to pave the entire road instead of just one lane, so the project looks complete.

c. Councilmember's Report/Questions

- Councilmember Schmitt said he is noticing more signs of homelessness. As a reminder, if you see it, you can ask the police to do a welfare check. Also, both the food bank and resource center are good resources for those in need.
- Councilmember Shepro said it would be a good idea to put up a deer warning sign on 276<sup>th</sup> to warn motorists.
- Councilmember Pearce said he has been seeing lots of deer, he had seven in his garden, they are losing their space, so they are coming closer to town

**14. Recess to Executive Session - None**

**15. Adjourn**

There being no further business before the Council, and hearing no objection to adjournment, Mayor Roberts adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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Tim Pearce, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Lisa Sokolik, City Clerk