

**TOWN OF SOUTH PRAIRIE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011, 7:00 PM  
South Prairie Town Hall  
121 NW Washington Street**

*The following is a condensation of the proceedings and is not a verbatim transcript.*

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**Mayor Peggy Levesque** called to order and presided over the Regular Council Meeting of April 5, 2011, at 7:02 PM.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Council Members:** Laura Heideman, Gerald Boures, Mathieu Cameron, Karen Shell and Tony Caldwell were present.

**Also in attendance:** Marilyn Smoak, Pierce County Library; Sarah Lukas, Washington Department of Ecology; and Marla Nevill, Clerk/Treasurer

**FLAG SALUTE:**

**Mayor Peggy Levesque** requested everyone stand for the "Pledge of Allegiance."

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR APRIL 5, 2011:**

- ❖ **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to approve the Agenda for April 5, 2011. **Councilor Laura Heideman** seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**PIERCE COUNTY LIBRARY:**

**Pierce County READS 2011 Proclamation – Approximately 15 Minutes:**

**Marilyn Smoak** gave a presentation regarding the Pierce County READS program. She gave a brief overview about the "Big Burn," which is the book that was chosen to kick off the Pierce County READS program for 2011. Discussion followed. **Mayor Peggy Levesque** read the Proclamation into record, (see Exhibit "A" attached).

- ❖ **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to approve the Pierce County READS Proclamation for 2011. **Councilor Laura Heideman** seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor Peggy Levesque and the Council Members** thanked Marilyn Smoak for the presentation.

**SARAH LUKAS, WDOE, SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM UPDATE:**

**Approximately 15-Minute Presentation and 15 Minutes for Questions and Answers:**

**Sarah Lukas** gave a presentation regarding the Shoreline Master Program and stated South Prairie is in a Shoreline Jurisdiction, which is regulated by State law. Discussion followed and Sarah Lukas answered questions.

**Mayor Peggy Levesque and the Council Members** thanked Sarah Lukas for the presentation.

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2011:**

- ❖ **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2011. **Councilor Gerald Boures** seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF RECESSED COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2011:**

- ❖ **Councilor Karen Shell** moved to approve the Recessed Council Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2011. **Councilor Laura Heideman** seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR MARCH 2011, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,237.60:**

- ❖ **Councilor Karen Shell** moved to approve the bills for March 2011, in the amount of \$36,237.60 (thirty-six thousand two hundred thirty-seven dollars and sixty cents). **Councilor Gerald Boures** seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Council requested the payment to LIUNA for the pension be held. **Councilor Karen Shell** moved to amend her motion to approve the bills for March 2011 but hold the payment to LIUNA for the pension fund. **Councilor Gerald Boures** seconded the amended motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Ordinance No. 524 – “No Trespass” Ordinance: (Sent to Pierce County for Review)**
  - ❖ **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to remove the “No Trespass” ordinance from the table. **Councilor Laura Heideman** seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Pierce Conservation District – South Prairie Creek Watershed Knotweed Control Project Agreement:**
  - ❖ **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to approve the agreement with Pierce Conservation District for the South Prairie Creek Watershed Knotweed Control Project. **Councilor Laura Heideman** seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**CITIZENS’ COMMENTS:**

**Marla Nevill** stated we have received several complaints about overweight log trucks on the Town’s roads. **Councilor Tony Caldwell** said he spoke to the Pierce County Sheriff’s Department and was informed that we would have to have a weight scale and these violations cannot be enforced. He said the Sheriff’s Department suggested we consider hiring a Code Enforcement Officer. Discussion followed.

**Councilor Tony Caldwell** said we received several complaints about a Hispanic rodeo at the arena on SW Third Street. He spoke with the Sheriff’s Department and they are required to have an entertainment license, business license, liquor license, etc. He said they have not come into the Town Hall to obtain the proper permitting or inquire as to what was required. He said he went over to the arena and asked them to turn down the music. He said the Sheriff’s Department said they could not do anything because these are Code Enforcement violations. Discussion followed regarding the complaints and possibly hiring a Code Enforcement Officer.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

**Mayor Peggy Levesque** said we met with Sarah Lukas, WDOE, and Kenny Booth, Watershed Company, regarding the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Update.

**PUBLIC WORKS’ REPORT:**

None

**CLERK’S REPORT:**

None

**COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT:**

None

**Brief Recess:** At 8:27 PM, **Mayor Peggy Levesque** called for a brief recess.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**      **Litigation – Approximately One (1) Hour**

- ❖ At 8:35 PM, **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to recess to Executive Session for approximately one (1) hour to discuss litigation issues. (Note: Conference call with Lynette Baisch, Town Attorney).

**CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- ❖ At 9:50 PM, the Executive Session closed.

**RECESS:**

- ❖ At 9:50 PM, **Councilor Tony Caldwell** moved to recess the Council Meeting to April 12, 2011. **Councilor Laura Heideman** seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**May 3, 2011**

**Date Approved**

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*Proclamation of the*

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*Town of South Prairie*

*In recognition* of Pierce County Library System and The News Tribune's Pierce County READS, sponsored by KeyBank Foundation.

*Whereas*, Pierce County READS seeks to engage, involve, and connect people throughout Pierce County; and

Pierce County READS is the largest community reading event in the county, when people read an award-winning book, participate in free events, join with groups to discuss the book, and attend a free event to meet the nationally known, prize-winning author on April 30, 2011, at 7 p.m.; and

*Whereas*, Pierce County Library is offering this community-wide event in collaboration with numerous community partners.

Now therefore, be it resolved by the

*Mayor Peggy Leveque*

that March 5 through April 30, 2011 is proclaimed as:

**Pierce County READS**

PROCLAIMED this

*April 5, 2011*