

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 28, 2009
7:00 P.M.

MINUTES



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I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. Flag Salute – Mayor Johnson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call:

City Clerk Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Johnson, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember David Bowen, Councilmember Laurie Carter, Councilmember Dan Decker, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Dave King and Councilmember Jim Rackley.

[Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Police Chief Mike Mitchell, Community Development Director John Vodopich, City Engineer John Woodcock, Community Services Director Gary Leaf, City Attorney Jim Dionne, Administrative Services Director/ City Clerk Harwood Edvalson and Records & Information Specialist Susan Duis.]

C. Announcements, Appointments and Presentations:

1. Announcements: None.

2. Appointments:

a. **AB09-119** - A Motion of the Bonney Lake City Council ratifying the Mayor's appointment of Brandon Frederick to the Planning Commission.

Councilmember Decker moved to approve AB09-119. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.

Mayor Johnson said Mr. Frederick lives in Ward 5, teaches at the high school and is a member of the historical society. Councilmember Decker said Mr. Frederick has a strong résumé and thanked him for stepping forward.

Motion approved 7 – 0.

3. Presentations: None.

D. Agenda Modifications: None.

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II. **PUBLIC HEARINGS, CITIZEN COMMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:**

A. Public Hearings: [A 3.6.12]

1. **AB09-97** - Resolution 1951 - Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan (2010-2015).

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. Seeing no speakers, the public hearing was closed at 7:03 p.m.

B. Citizen Comments:

Gabrielle Taheri, 7017 97th Ave SW, Lakewood, said she and her husband own property in Eastown off SR 410. She said they purchased the property 13 years ago as an investment, with plans to develop the land for commercial use. She said Pierce County had approved their plans to install septic on the property, but the property was annexed into Bonney Lake. At the time of annexation, she said, it seemed that sewer was possible and they delayed their development plans. She said they applied to connect to water from the nearby storage units but could not, and the City will not allow them to install septic. She said their property taxes have gone from about \$2,363 in 2004 to \$8,802 in 2009. She asked the city to offer hope and a firm deadline for work on an Eastown sewer system. She asked why the project hinges on one developer. Finally, she asked if the Council would allow her to get a permit to install septic, with a contract for mandatory hook-up to the city sewer system once it is installed. Deputy Mayor Swatman clarified while it is not practical for the Taheris to develop the property due to the cost of installing sewer, the City is not blocking their development. Dan Taheri, Ms. Taheri's husband, reiterated his wife's concerns. He said they were told to wait but it has been too long. Mayor Johnson asked the Taheris to provide their contact information to Community Development Director Vodopich and City Engineer John Woodcock so they could review the situation. Councilmember Bowen said the Community Development Committee plans to discuss this issue at its next meeting. He said the City is also reviewing options to enter into a latecomers agreement for Eastown utilities. He said the City is working on this, though there hasn't been any progress yet.

Debbie Houtz is the owner/manager of the new A+ Auto Licensing business on Old Sumner Buckley Highway in downtown Bonney Lake. She said they are open for business, so residents can renew their licenses online and have them mailed or pick them up at the store. She thanked the Council for their support, and Councilmembers thanked Ms. Houtz for choosing to locate her business in Bonney Lake.

C. Correspondence: None.

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III. **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Finance Committee: Deputy Mayor Swatman said the committee met at 5:30 p.m. earlier in the evening and discussed personnel updates, holiday pay and furlough options, and renewal of the solid waste contract. He said Eddie Westmoreland from Waste Connections, Inc. attended to talk with the committee about the garbage contract, and the Council may want to consider issuing a request for proposals for garbage service.
- B. Community Development Committee: Councilmember Rackley said the committee met on June 20, 2009 and discussed the Capital Improvement Program status report, sewer concerns for Bethel Family Church, and Resolution 1959 and AB09-101.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember King had nothing to report.
- D. Other Reports:

Dog Park Discussions: Deputy Mayor Swatman said a public meeting to discuss dog park options and issues is on Saturday, August 1st at 3:00 p.m. in the City Hall Chambers. He said they are looking for interested citizens to take part and get other members of the community involved. Community Services Director Leaf said his staff have posted signs around the City about the meeting.

Pierce County Regional Council: Councilmember Rackley attended the Pierce County Regional Council meeting on July 16, 2009, which included a public hearing on Comprehensive Plan amendments.

Pierce County River Revitalization Task Force (PCRRTF) Policy Summit: Councilmember Rackley attended the PCRRTF Policy Summit in July 22nd, which included discussion of flood issues in the valley.

Puyallup River Watershed Meeting: Councilmember Carter attended the Puyallup River Watershed meeting on July 22nd, where the Department of Ecology presented information and issues regarding area rivers. She said they are working to put together a task force to focus on target areas and actions, and Bonney Lake was invited to take part.

Rainier Cable Commission: Councilmember Rackley attended the RCC meeting on July 15, 2009 and heard a presentation from Kitsap County regarding software used to allow employees to work from home.

Dan Packer Memorial: Mayor Johnson thanked Councilmember Carter and Deputy Mayor Swatman for taking part in the memorial for Fire Chief Dan Packer on Sunday, July 26, 2009. He could not attend but heard it was a good event and that Maintenance Worker Pete Spain received a plaque for his work on the memorial.

Water Conservation Signs: Mayor Johnson said 'Please Conserve Water' signs have been posted at entrances to Bonney Lake and in Auburn. He said the City is supplying water to Auburn while they are doing work on a well, and during the hot days Auburn has been using up to 1 million gallons per day. He said it's likely that Tapps Island Water will also ask Bonney Lake to supply them with water, as their supply is low. The City plans to turn on the intertie with Tacoma Water on July 29, 2009 to supply water. He said the City is working on new agreements for Tapps Island and Auburn interties, which should come to Council later this year. He asked residents to try to conserve water while the City helps its neighbors with their water supplies.

Special Events: Mayor Johnson reminded the Council of upcoming events, including Tunes @ Tapps on July 29th and Friday Night Flix on July 31st.

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IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. **Approval of Minutes:** June 16, 2009 Workshop, July 7, 2009 Meeting and July 14, 2009 Workshop.
- B. **Approval of Accounts Payable Checks/Vouchers:** Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #56209 thru 56322 in the amount of \$493,595.16. Accounts

Payable checks/vouchers #56323 thru 56327 for A/R refunds in the amount of \$12,570.12.

- C. **Approval of Payroll:** Payroll for July 1-15th, 2009 for checks 28343-28374 including Direct Deposits and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$ 403,162.05.
- D. **AB09-114 - Ordinance D09-114** - An Ordinance of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, WA, Relating to False Alarm Fees Imposed Pursuant to BLMC 8.48.020.
- E. **AB09-115 - Resolution 1959** - A Resolution of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, WA Awarding the Contract for the Church Lake Drive Water Main and Road Improvements Project to Les Russell Construction.
- F. **AB09-101** - A Motion of the City Council Accepting as Complete the SR410 Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Repair & Replacement Project with Pape & Sons Construction, Inc.

**Councilmember Rackley moved to approve the Consent Agenda.
Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.**

Consent Agenda approved 7 – 0.

V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES: None.

VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ISSUES: None.

VII. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ISSUES: None.

VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES: None.

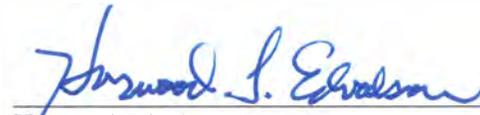
IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

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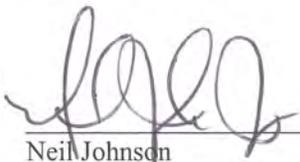
X. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 p.m. Councilmember Rackley moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.

Motion approved 7 – 0.



 Harwood Edvalson, CMC
 City Clerk



 Neil Johnson
 Mayor

Items submitted to the Council Meeting of July 28, 2009: None.