

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 27, 2011
7:00 P.M.

MINUTES



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The City of Bonney Lake's Mission is to protect the community's livable identity and scenic beauty through responsible growth planning and by providing accountable, accessible and efficient local government services.

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Location: Bonney Lake Justice Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington.

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: Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Johnson, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Swatman, Councilmember Laurie Carter, Councilmember Dan Decker, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember Randy McKibbin, and Councilmember Jim Rackley.

Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Public Works Director Dan Grigsby, Community Development Director John Vodopich, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Interim Police Chief Dana Powers, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson, City Attorney Jim Dionne, Facilities & Special Projects Manager Gary Leaf, and Records & Information Specialist Susan Duis.

C. Announcements, Appointments and Presentations:

1. Announcements: None.

2. Appointments: None.

3. Presentations:

- a. **Oath of Office**: Interim Police Chief Dana Powers.

Judge Ron Heslop presented the oath of office to Interim Police Chief Powers. Mayor Johnson, Councilmembers, and staff congratulated her on the promotion.

- b. **Presentation of Awards**: Merit Awards to Detective Ryan Boyle, Detective Todd Morrow, Detective Brian Byerley, Detective Sergeant Kelly Maras, Officer Chad Kiblinger, and Valor Award to Officer Eric Alfano.

Interim Chief Powers and Mayor Johnson presented the awards to the officers in appreciation for their service. Mayor Johnson said he was glad to see the officers being recognized.

At 7:10 p.m., Mayor Johnson called for a ten minute recess. The meeting returned to order at 7:20 p.m.

D. Agenda Modifications: None.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS, CITIZEN COMMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Public Hearings:

1. **AB11-80 – Public Hearing for Ordinance D11-77 – An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Renewing A Cable Television Franchise Agreement With Comcast Of California/Colorado/ Washington I, Inc, Thereby Superseding All Previous Agreements; And Establishing A Franchise Fee Of Five Percent.**

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing at 7:21 p.m. Seeing no speakers, the hearing was closed at 7:21 p.m.

B. Citizen Comments:

Ron Lemco, Bonney Lake, said he has lived in the City since the 1960's and spoke against the ordinance renaming Sumner-Buckley Hwy. He said he supports veterans, but the City should not lose the meaning of the old highway. He said a lot of history happened on Old Buckley Road, and the road holds significance for a lot of people. He said it makes more sense to rename another road or a new road to honor veterans.

Connie Swarthout, Bonney Lake, said her parents have lived in Bonney Lake for at least 60 years. She said she agrees with a lot of the changes being made to build a community and Downtown in Bonney Lake, and though she supports having a veteran's highway, the City should not change the name of Sumner-Buckley Hwy. She said a better way to honor the City's history would be to rename the road back to its original name of 'Old Buckley Highway'. She said the Council should not destroy the existing road and start from scratch, and should select a new road to be renamed rather than this historic road.

Connie Decker, Bonney Lake, also spoke about the Sumner-Buckley Hwy. She said the road name provides a sense of history and is unique. She said there are plenty of veterans highways in the area, and suggested the City select another road in the City to be renamed, such as the one-way loop around Lake Bonney or a newly constructed road.

Joe Sexton, 3939 10th St, Puyallup, said he grew up in the area and feels Old Buckley Hwy is a historic part of Bonney Lake. He said he believes this highway was the first paved road in Bonney Lake, and it would be a shame to change its name and lose a piece of the community.

Randy Tidball, 7402 Myers Rd, Bonney Lake, said the Council needs to consider the expense to citizens when a street name is changed. He said a lot of things have to be updated, including signs, checkbooks, etc., that must be paid out of resident's pockets.

Carol Wheeler, Bonney Lake, said she agreed with the previous speakers and the City should select another road to be renamed. She said the City is changing quickly in recent years, and renaming this road would take away one more thing from residents that has been around for a long time.

C. Correspondence: None.

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, official newspaper bids, a review of minutes, a land exchange in Brookside, mid-biennial budget adjustments and revenue

reports. He said budget projections show a possible increase in expenses for next year which needs to be controlled.

- B. Community Development Committee: Councilmember Rackley said the committee has not met since the last Council Meeting.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Hamilton said the committee met on September 19, 2011 and heard a report on the Marine Services Unit from the past summer. He said there was not a lot of activity in the Bonney Lake side of Lake Tapps, and no noise complaints. Interim Police Chief Powers discussed bicycle patrols and homeless issues at the WSU Forest and the Franciscan Medical Building property. The committee plans to work on an open container ordinance, and discussed office moves at the Puyallup Dispatch Center, which did not affect services. The committee considered the proposed 9-1-1 tax and continued dispatch services with Puyallup. They also discussed marijuana use among youth and reports of homeless issues at Wal-Mart stores. The committee discussed complaints about food bank patrons, specifically how patrons interact with nearby businesses and employees, parking issues, and patron conduct issues.

D. Other Reports:

Pierce County Regional Council: Councilmember Hamilton and Councilmember Lewis attended the Pierce County Regional Council meeting on September 15, 2011. They heard a presentation on a subcommittee proposing methods to evaluate and score transportation projects for funding.

Families First: Councilmember Carter and Councilmember Lewis attended the White River Families First Coalition meeting on Monday, September 26th. The group is interested in resolving issues on the plateau and sharing information across groups. Councilmember Carter said they are looking for new participants to help set goals for next year, and meet on the last Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. She said upcoming events include an annual Franciscan fundraising gala in Enumclaw and a Halloween party at the Buckley Youth Activity Center.

Seminar: Councilmember Rackley said he attended a Counterfeit Awareness Seminar at the Public Safety Building on Monday that was sponsored by Key Bank and given by Detective Bob Kocher. He said it was very informative, and could have been useful for City employees to attend.

Food Bank: Mayor Johnson asked whether the Police Department has spoken with Stew Bowen about the concerns about the Food Bank. Interim Chief Powers said she planned to start by providing a visible presence during food distribution hours and see if that makes a difference before they take additional steps. She said if there are any immediate problems, residents should always call 9-1-1. Mayor Johnson said the City has limited options for space for the Food Bank currently. Councilmember Hamilton said he was told that the Food Bank is using the second floor of the building, which is not supposed to be used. He said the city needs to serve those in need but still maintain public safety and serve the local businesses.

IV. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. **Approval of Corrected Minutes**: September 6, 2011 Council Workshop and September 13, 2011 Council Meeting.

- B. **Approval of Accounts Payable and Utility Refund Checks/Vouchers:** Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #61976 thru 61999 (Including Wire Transfer #s 20110817, 20110906, 20110907) in the amount of \$160,856.67; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #62000 thru 62066 (Including Wire Transfer # 9162011) in the amount of \$317,479.24, for a grand total of \$478,335.91.
- C. **Approval of Payroll:** Payroll for September 1-15 2011 for checks 29999-30027 including Direct Deposits and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$ 429,662.92. Replacement check issued 29998 replaced check 29992 (damaged in folding) from previous pay period.

Councilmember Rackley moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda approved 7 – 0.

V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES:

- A. **AB11-111 – Resolution 2152 –** A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A License Agreement With And Sidewalk Right-Of-Way Dedication Deed From The Cascade Water Alliance.

Councilmember Rackley moved to approve Resolution 2152. Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Edvalson explained that the printed agenda packet for the Meeting was missing the attached agreements, which were provided online and via email, with copies provided to Councilmembers and the public at the Meeting. Facilities & Special Projects Manager Gary Leaf said he has been working with permitting agencies and plans to install a ladder instead of steps, which is much less expensive. He noted that permits for the project will take some time to process. Deputy Mayor Swatman said it is helpful that a more economical option is available. He explained that this parcel is on West Tapps Hwy adjacent to Allan Yorke Park, with a grassy area and gravel area, and this agreement provides additional space for residents to enjoy the lake. Councilmember Decker called for the question.

Resolution 2152 approved 7 – 0.

VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ISSUES: *None.*

VII. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ISSUES: *None.*

VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES:

- A. **AB11-98 – Ordinance D11-98 –** An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Chapter 3.68 Of The Bonney Lake And Section One Of Ordinance No. 1325 Relating To Land Use Fees.

Councilmember Decker moved to approve Ordinance D11-98. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.

Councilmember Carter asked how the \$3,000 fee was selected. City Administrator Morrison said they estimated the actual costs for staff and legal time to process and send notices for SEPA determinations. He said the fee is similar to what other cities charge, and may actually be a low estimate. He said the proposed fee is intended only to cover costs, not to generate revenue. Director Vodopich said review is done by the Hearing Examiner, who is not on City staff. Councilmember Carter said she looked at Washington State and Pierce County’s statutes and it appears their fees are much lower. She said from her reading of the Revised Code of Washington, fees for filing an appeal are capped at \$200. She said the City could have a basic filing fee and use a tiered approach for fees based on the actual costs, such as the Hearing Examiner, if the process moves forward.

Councilmember Rackley moved to table Ordinance D11-98 to a future workshop for discussion. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.

Motion to table Ordinance D11-98 approved 7 – 0.

- B. **AB11-116 – Ordinance D11-116 – An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Renaming That Portion Of Sumner-Buckley Highway East That Lies Within The City Limits.**

Councilmember Decker moved to approve Ordinance D11-116. Councilmember Hamilton seconded the motion.

Councilmember Decker moved to table the Ordinance to a future workshop for discussion. Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.

Councilmember Rackley said the Council needs to take more time to hear from residents who oppose the name change.

**Motion to table Ordinance D11-116 approved 5 – 2.
Councilmember Hamilton and
Deputy Mayor Swatman voted no.**

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *None.*

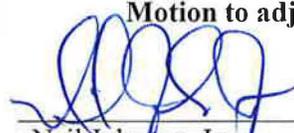
X. ADJOURNMENT:

**At 7:58 p.m., Councilmember Rackley moved to adjourn the Council Meeting.
Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

Motion to adjourn approved 7 – 0.



Harwood Edvalson, CMC
City Clerk



Neil Johnson, Jr.
Mayor

Items presented to Council at the September 27, 2011 Meeting: *None.*