

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

May 3, 2011
5:30 p.m.

MINUTES



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

I. Call to Order: Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman called the Workshop to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call: [A1.3]

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

[Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Police Chief Mike Mitchell, Community Development Director John Vodopich, Public Works Director Dan Grigsby, Community Services Director Gary Leaf, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson, and Administrative Specialist Shawn Campbell.]

Deputy Mayor Swatman noted this is the first meeting in the Justice Center. He asked Council to share thoughts and concerns regarding the new setup.

III. Agenda Items:

5:30:44

A. Discussion: AB11-55 - 2011 Stormwater Pollution Prevention Art Contest.

Director Grigsby said this is similar to the calendar contest the City had last year. He asked Council to vote for two entries in each category. He asked Council to turn their votes into him before the Council meeting next week.

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B. Council Open Discussion:

Richard Shabro: Councilmember Rackley noted that Richard (Dick) Shabro passed away on April 13, 2011.

Income Analysis: Councilmember Rackley said he will prepare an income analysis for the Wal-Mart shopping center area to discuss at the next Council Workshop.

Pierce County Council: Councilmember Carter noted several items from the Mayor's Newsletter concerning the City and Pierce County. She said in the past the Council has invited the Pierce County Council to a special meeting after the regular meeting at a local restaurant. Administrator Morrison said he would contact the Council to ask if they are interested in meeting.

City Financial Report: Councilmember Carter asked when the Council would see an updated financial report. City Administrator Morrison said the Council would receive a report mid-June.

Pierce County Council: Councilmember Hamilton said he was the only member of the Pierce County Regional Council who voted against the proposed Countywide Planning Policies. He said Planning Manager Heather Stinson also voted against the proposed changes at the Growth Management Coordinating Committee level. The resolution was forwarded to the full Pierce County Council for ratification. He said the proposed policy and amendments put cities at a disadvantage, and he feels there is justification to file an appeal with the Growth Management Hearings Board. He said the intent of the Growth Management Act is that growth should occur in cities, but a vast majority of growth has occurred in the Comprehensive Urban Growth Areas (CUGAs) in the County. He said Bonney Lake is in a unique position since its population is growing, whereas the recent census shows that populations in other cities have decreased.

Councilmember Hamilton said if the Countywide Planning Policies are ratified the affected jurisdictions have 60 days to appeal the decision. He said the City Attorney will need to review the resolution to ensure the City has a case. Councilmember Rackley thanked Councilmember Hamilton for clearly explaining his concerns. He said he would support an appeal to the Growth Management Hearings Board. He said the County has let areas in the County fill in with homes before they allow cities to annex them, but the goal of the Growth Management Act is to push the growth into the cities. He said representatives from Bonney Lake should attend the meeting when the County Council considers the resolution and propose an amendment. Deputy Mayor Swatman said he also supports appealing the resolution. City Administrator Morrison said the policies mainly relate to the CUGA and mostly affect Bonney Lake and Orting. He said the policies are inconsistent with the Multi-County Planning Policies, and he would support an appeal if the City Attorney agrees the City has a case.

Gun Range: Councilmember Lewis said an obstacle for getting a gun range is the permitting through Pierce County. Police Chief Mitchell said he met with Action Target, a company that sets up gun ranges. He listed several options and costs for a gun range on the city-owned property located on Barkubein Rd, Buckley, WA 98321. Councilmember Rackley asked if outside jurisdictions would still be interested in using the range if the City went with the least expensive option. Chief Mitchell said he has been contacted by several jurisdictions inquiring about the gun range. He said he does not want to pursue this further if the City cannot get the permits from Pierce County. Deputy Mayor Swatman said the next step would be for the administration to decide if they would like to move forward with the project. City Administrator Morrison said the conditional use permit is approximately \$3,000. He said the City would need to put together a business plan before they could move forward with this project. Councilmember McKibbin asked if drug fund money could be used to fund the gun range. Police Chief Mitchell said those funds are currently funding the 800MHz tower.

800 MHz Tower: Police Chief Mitchell stated Pierce County is looking at unifying the entire county under one 911-dispatch umbrella. He said the County is considering a .10% sales tax increase to pay for the new system. He said the citizens of Bonney Lake have already paid for an 800MHz tower, but they would still be subject to the County wide tax. City Administrator Morrison said he met with the County and the City of Puyallup (which the City currently uses for dispatch services) and the impression that he got was that the County is willing to purchase the City's 800MHz tower and add Bonney Lake to the County-wide 911 system. He said the County needs to expand their system to be able to have the Sheriff in radio contact all the way to Mt. Rainer. Councilmember Decker said he is not in favor of partnering with the County for 911 dispatch services.

Public Meetings: Deputy Mayor Swatman stated he would like to see all public meetings held at the Justice Center. He said he wants to use the new space in the most efficient manor. He said he would like all the Councilmembers to be able to pick up their packets and mail at the Justice Center. City Administrator Morrison said the different Boards and Commissions can meet at the Justice Center; it is just a matter of scheduling. He added that the Council Packets could be picked up between 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday, but Councilmembers could not access the building after hours because the building is designed to be a multi-tenant building and it is not set up with coded locks. He said the chambers are not totally finished yet and it will be difficult to hold recorded meetings until the final items are completed.

Police Photo: Councilmember Hamilton shared a photo that was in the Bonney Lake & Sumner Courier Herald of Bonney Lake Police Officers and a Bonney Lake Police car, advertising St. Elizabeth’s Hospital in Enumclaw. He asked why the Police Department is advertising for an outside agency. Police Chief Mitchell said the photo was taken for a brochure during the Grand Opening of the new hospital. He said he has spoken with the hospital and they will not use the image in the future.

Marijuana Dispensary: City Administrator Morrison said he has received two letters informing the City of intent to build a marijuana dispensary in the City limits of Bonney Lake as soon as it is legal. Councilmember Hamilton said the Public Safety Committee has considered creating an ordinance that places a moratorium on this type of business. He said the City Attorney has said this is not necessary because federal law states that these businesses are illegal.

Special Meeting: Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Edvalson stated the Clerk’s office will advertise the Justice Center Open House as a special meeting because a majority of councilmembers are expected to be at the open house.

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C. **Review of Council Minutes:** April 17, 2011 Council Workshop, and April 24, 2011 Council Meeting

Corrected minutes were forwarded to the May 10, 2011 meeting for action.

IV. **Executive Session:** None

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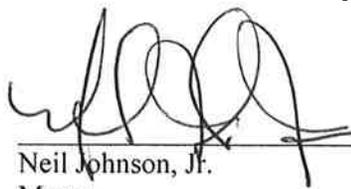
V. **Adjournment:**

At 6:41:p.m. Councilmember Lewis moved to adjourn the Workshop. Councilmember Hamilton seconded the motion.

Motion to adjourn approved 7 – 0.



Harwood T. Edvalson, CMC
City Clerk



Neil Johnson, Jr.
Mayor