

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

**November 5, 2013
5:30 P.M.**

MINUTES



"Where Dreams Can Soar"

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.

Website: www.ci.bonney-lake.wa.us

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

I. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. called the Workshop to order at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. Elected officials: attending were Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr., Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember Katrina Minton-Davis, Councilmember Randy McKibbin, and Councilmember Tom Watson. Councilmember James Rackley was absent.

**Deputy Mayor Swatman moved to excuse Councilmember Rackley's absence.
Councilmember Watson seconded the motion.**

Motion approved 6 – 0.

Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Assistant Public Works Director Charlie Simpson, Chief of Police Dana Powers, City Attorney Kathleen Haggard, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson, and Administrative Specialist II Renee Cameron.

II. AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Council Open Discussion

Safety Crosswalks: Councilmember Lewis said the Public Safety Committee met and discussed safety crosswalks. He said there is a resident in Bonney Lake who lives by Bonney Lake High School who has a self-made safety crossing and flags to assist the students crossing the street. He said the Public Safety Committee would like to find a permanent solution to all crosswalks for pedestrian safety. He said he would like to have Council and the Mayor set aside approximately \$14,000 in the budget to cover the expenses for the safety crosswalks and the Committee discussed different options that may be available at a reasonable expense, and plans to work with the County and the State to address these concerns.

System Development Charges Reductions Expiration: Councilmember Watson asked about the upcoming expiration of the sewer development charges (SDCs) reductions that were implemented last year and whether Council will have further discussion before the scheduled expiration. Mayor Johnson said he thinks it would be best to let the system development charges reduction program expire, especially since the transportation impact fees (TIF) incentive is still in effect and will continue to bring development. Councilmember McKibbin said he is concerned why the City has not heard from the Master Builders Association and why they are not expressing any concerns if the City does not extend the system development charges reduction. Mayor Johnson said a possibility could be to extend the SDCs to expire when the TIF's expire. Councilmember

Hamilton said he would oppose extending the SDC's reduction. Councilmember Minton-Davis said that the current SDC rates are based on the study that was done over five years ago and inquired if the City has the budget to review the rates. City Administrator Morrison said the previous study was based on current growth assumptions, and that has obviously changed. Councilmember Minton-Davis said she would agree to expend monies to review the rates. Councilmember Lewis said he is aware of banks and mortgage companies offering more loans as the economy is getting better. He then asked whether there is any competition between the City with Tehaleh and the County. Councilmember Watson said he would be concerned with extending the SDCs reduction to August. It was Council's consensus to let the SDC's reduction incentive expire.

Youth Forum: Deputy Mayor Swatman said he attended the Youth Forum at Mountain View Middle School and he said there was discussion about concerns with the kids walking to school now, and the over-crowding of the buses. He said another reoccurring issue discussed was the use of drugs and alcohol and there was a huge concern with the adults in attendance and in the community regarding the upcoming marijuana laws. He said the forums are always enjoyable to attend and it is very interesting to hear the different perspectives from the students and the parents.

- B. Review of Council Minutes:** October 15, 2013 Council Workshop, October 22, 2013 Council Meeting, and October 26, 2013 Council Special Meeting

The minutes were forwarded to the November 12, 2013 Meeting for action.

- C. Presentation:** Mayor's Proposed Mid-Biennial Budget Amendment Ordinance and attachments are presented to the City Council at Workshop.

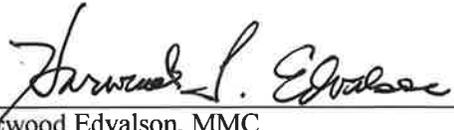
City Administrator Morrison presented a Power Point Presentation regarding the 2013-2014 Mid-Biennial Budget Amendments and discussed the highlights of the Operating Budget Amendments as outlined in the presentation. Councilmember Hamilton asked about the facilities budget and the need of a new boiler at the Public Works Center. City Administrator Morrison then discussed the Principal Capital Projects as laid out in the presentation, and the possible grants the City has or will apply for to assist with the costs. Council had various questions regarding the proposed expenses and costs associated with the Victor Falls Park. Councilmember Lewis asked about money for a future food bank and Mayor Johnson and City Administrator Morrison said that it would most likely be included in the 2015 budget. Councilmember Watson inquired about whether any actions for the Victor Falls Park property, as well as the food bank, would come to Council for discussion and Mayor Johnson advised that yes it would. Mayor Johnson advised that all leases for City buildings are scheduled to be reviewed annually. Councilmember Watson said he just wants to make sure that all leases are treated equally. Councilmember Lewis asked about the current lease agreement with East Pierce Fire & Rescue (EPFR) and City Administrator Morrison said the lease is set to expire but believes EPFR will possibly ask for another extension.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

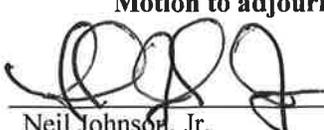
IV. ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:30 p.m., Councilmember McKibbin moved to adjourn the Council Workshop. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.

Motion to adjourn approved 6 – 0.



Harwood Edvalson, MMC
City Clerk



Neil Johnson, Jr.
Mayor

Items presented to Council for the November 5, 2013 City Council Workshop:

- City Administrator Don Morrison – *PowerPoint Presentation Re: 2013-2014 Mid-Biennium Budget Amendments.*

Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all documents submitted at City Council meetings and workshops are on file with the City Clerk. For detailed information on agenda items, please view the corresponding Agenda Packets, which are posted on the city website and on file with the City Clerk.