

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 26, 2024  
6:00 P.M.  
MINUTES



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**Location:** The physical location of the Council Meeting was at the Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington. The public was also given the option to call in or attend virtually the Council Meeting.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Carter, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Carter led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. Roll Call: Records and Disclosure Coordinator Kandice Besaw called the roll. In addition to Mayor Terry Carter, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember Kerri Hubler and Councilmember Dan Roach. Councilmember Angela Baldwin and Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans were not in attendance.

**Councilmember Roach moved to excuse the absence of Councilmembers Baldwin and McClimans. Councilmember Hubler seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 4-0.**

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John Vodopich, Chief of Police Mark Berry, Administrative Services Director Chuck McEwen, Interim Public Services Director Jason Sullivan, Assistant to City Administrator Leslie Harris, Deputy City Attorney-Prosecutor Dena Burke, Interim Judicial Branch Manager Geri Resch, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, Records and Disclosure Coordinator Kandice Besaw and City Attorney Jennifer Robertson.

Staff members in virtual attendance using the City's Teams conference line were Chief Finance Officer Cherie Reiersen, Judge Joanna Daniels, and Legal Specialist II Carol Paul.

C. Agenda Modifications: None.

D. Announcements, Appointments and Presentations:

- 1. **Presentation:** Greater Bonney Lake Historical Society.  
*Mark Hamilton, Historical Society Member*  
Speaking about the history of Bonney Lake, Mark Hamilton of the Historical Society also shared their ambitions to open a full-time museum and the need for the city's help with a long-term lease and the use of the modular at the former Public Works Center.

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Thanking the historical society for their support of the city and for preserving the stories, Mayor Carter, Deputy Mayor Swatman, and Councilmember Fullerton expressed their readiness to work with them.

2. **Announcement:** Statement from Mayor Carter.

Mayor Carter spoke about the events surrounding the selection of a new mayor, stating that he was made aware of the derogatory remarks made on social media and would like to clear the air on a few items.

Mayor Carter shared that the Clerks' department was thinking ahead and had an oath of office and placard for all possibilities and/or outcomes and the clerks' should be commended for their thoughtfulness.

Council's process was public and transparent. This was the first time with this type of situation and council relied heavily on the RCW and city attorney. Mayor Carter advised council to come up with a code for the future as to not have a repeat. Council worked through arguments and disagreements in open public, they investigated the applicants and chose who was best suited for this time.

He has also been meeting with staff and will continue working towards the goals and visions they have together.

Lastly, Mayor Carter thanked previous Mayor Michael McCullough and all for having grace during this transition. He looks forward to working with everyone along with the community and is ready to get back to city business.

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

A. Public Hearing: None.

B. Citizen Comments: *For efficient use of city resources, comments will be a short summary and not verbatim. Video recordings will be uploaded to the city's YouTube channel and an audio recording to the state digital archives for review of all the comments.*

Ron Walker, 10407 174<sup>th</sup> Ave E, Bonney Lake: Mentioned the 75th anniversary of the city and noted the historical markers placed across the community, saying he would like the city to take part in maintaining them.

Winona Jacobson, 3915 25<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Puyallup: Shared the importance of preserving the stories with the Historical society.

Dan Decker, 20401 70th St E, Bonney Lake: Spoke on RCW's, Roberts Rules of Order and City Ordinances.

C. Correspondence: None.

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**III. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Finance Committee: Deputy Mayor Swatman reported the Finance Committee met in person and virtually today at 5:00 p.m. The Committee went thru personnel updates; discussed the recreation program and approved their minutes.
- B. Community Development Committee: Deputy Mayor Swatman reported the Community Development Committee did not meet and is expected to have their next meeting in person and virtually at 3:30 p.m. on April 2, 2024.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Hubler reported the Public Safety Committee did not meet and is expected to have their next meeting in person and virtually at 3:30 p.m. on April 9, 2024.
- D. Other Reports: None.

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**IV. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. **Approval of Corrected Minutes**: March 5, 2024, City Council Workshop, March 12, 2024, City Council Meeting.
- B. **Approval of Accounts Payable and Utility Refund Checks/Vouchers: Accounts Payable check/vouchers #96459 to #96508, and wire transfers #38568728, #38568728, #2024020202, #2024021301, #2024031001, #2024031002 in the amount of \$285,837.19. Voids: None.**
- C. **Approval of Payroll**: March 1 – 15, 2024 for checks #34955 - 34958 including Direct Deposits and Electronic Transfers totaling \$753,196.37. Voids: None.
- D. **AB24-24 – Resolution 3202** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign The Janssen Settlement Participation Form.

**Councilmember Fullerton moved to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Councilmember Roach seconded the motion.**

**Consent Agenda approved 4 - 0.**

**V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES:**

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- A. **AB24-23 – Resolution 3201** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign The Interlocal Agreement Between Pierce County And City Of Bonney Lake For Opioid Settlement Funds.

**Deputy Mayor Swatman moved to approve Resolution 3201. Councilmember Hubler seconded the Motion.**

Council discussed and shared their concerns, including:

- Best use of the settlement funds.
- Ways to work with other communities and pool the monies.
- Councilmember v. Staff to sit on Board.

**Resolution 3201 approved 4 – 0.**

**VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ISSUES:** None.

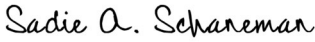
**VII. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ISSUES:** None.

**VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES:** None.

**IX. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:**

**At 6:51 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Carter with the common consent of the City Council.**

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Sadie A. Schaneman, CMC, City Clerk

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Terry Carter, Mayor

Items presented to Council at the March 26, 2024, Meeting for the record: None.

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