

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 22, 2022
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.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Michael McCullough called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor McCullough led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor McCullough asked if any Councilmember wants to motion to adjourn due to a Councilmember not donning a mask. He explained that Proclamation 20-28 requires the meeting be recessed until compliance is restored or if compliance cannot be restored then adjourned, continued, or otherwise terminated. There was no motion. Seeing how no motion was given, Mayor McCullough stated that due to having staff members who are immunocompromised, he asked if any staff would like to leave the meeting due to LNI Publication F414-179 or, if applicable, ESSB 5115, the Health Emergency Labor Standards Act.

No one in attendance left the meeting.

- B. Roll Call: City Clerk Sadie Schaneman called the roll. In addition to Mayor McCullough, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Terry Carter, Councilmember Angela Baldwin, Councilmember Justin Evans, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans, Councilmember Dan Swatman, and Councilmember Tom Watson.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John Vodopich, Chief of Police Bryan Jeter, Judge Joanna Daniels, Public Services Director Ryan Johnstone, Interim Administrative Services Director/Information Services Manager Chuck McEwen, Court Administrator Kathy Seymour, Human Resource Manager Debbie Mills, Planning & Building Supervisor Jason Sullivan, Superintendent Public Works Jack Niehuser, Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, and Administrative Specialist II Kandice Besaw.

Staff members in virtual attendance using the City's BlueJeans conference line were Chief Financial Officer Cherie Reieron, Attorney Jeff Ganson and Public Works Superintendent Assistant Todd Bright.

C. Agenda Modifications: None.

D. Announcements, Appointments and Presentations:

1. **AB22-30 - Motion** – A Motion Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Ratifying The Mayor's Appointment Of Melissa Munson-Merritt To Design Commission Position #4 With A Term Ending April 6, 2024.

Councilmember Watson moved to approve the motion. Deputy Mayor Carter seconded the motion.

Motion approved 7 – 0.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS, CITIZEN COMMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Public Hearings: None

B. Citizen Comments:

Dan Decker, 201 70th St E, Bonney Lake, discussed how a mandate is not a Law, it's a suggestion, a person shouldn't have to wear a mask and that he is only wearing one out of respect for the council members. He explained that only Legislature can make a Law, masks don't protect you from anything and that a Governor saying you will be fired for not wearing one is illegal and egregiously wrong.

Mike Myer, 13813 Prairie Ridge Drive E, Bonney Lake, thanked the Council for making life better. He discussed how there is a lack of parenting skills, which is the No.1 cause of crime and homelessness. He expressed the importance of real parenting skills and suggested two reads (Lori Borgman: Why family is key to the nation and Jim Mattis Call sign Chaos, Learning to Lead).

Chris Blake, 12306 132nd Ave E, Puyallup stated that he is an employee for the city and a Union Representative. He discussed the concerns regarding the wage increase for non-represented workers. He is not against the increase but urges the council to reconsider the proposal and the difference in wages between represented and non-represented workers.

Quinn Dahlstrom, 6527 193rd Ave E, Bonney Lake, stated that Councilmember Baldwin had taken an oath to follow Federal Government, the State, the county, and the city laws. By not wearing a mask she is violating the laws and should go home to attend virtually.

C. Correspondence: None

III. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance Committee: Deputy Mayor Carter reported the Finance Committee met in person and virtually today at 5:00 p.m. The Committee went thru personnel updates regarding current open and filled positions, Comcast cable franchise, and approved minutes.
- B. Community Development Committee: Councilmember Swatman reported the Community Development Committee met in person and virtually on February 22, 2022, The Committee discussed and forwarded AB22-20 and AB22-26, to tonight's Consent Agenda, approved their minutes and discussed city works.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Evans reported the Public Safety Committee did not meet and is expected to have their next meeting at 3:30 p.m. on 3/8/2022.
- D. Other Reports: None.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. **Approval of Corrected Minutes**: February 1, 2022, Council Workshop and February 8, 2022, Council Meeting.
- B. **Approval of Accounts Payable and Utility Refund Checks/Vouchers**: Accounts Payable check/vouchers #90752 - 90799, in the amount of \$9,326.35. Accounts Payable check/vouchers #90800 and 90909 and wire transfer #2022020201 in the amount of \$811,583.84.
- C. **AB22-16 – Resolution 3013** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney, Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign An Interlocal Agreement Between The City Of Bonney Lake And East Pierce Fire And Rescue Investigations Of Cause Or Origin.
- D. **AB22-20 – Resolution 3016** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney, Lake, Pierce County, Washington Authorizing The Mayor To Approve The Purchase Of Kitchen Equipment From Bargreen-Ellingson For The Public Services Center Project.
- E. **AB22-22 – Resolution 3018** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney, Lake, Pierce County, Washington Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Memorandum Of Understanding With The Sumner-Bonney Lake School District To Renew The Interlocal Agreement For Support Of The Sumner Family Center For 2021/22.

- F. **AB22-27 – Resolution 3020** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney, Lake, Pierce County, Washington Accepting a Housing Action Plan Implementation Grant From The Department Of Commerce.

Councilmember Watson moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Deputy Mayor Carter seconded the motion.

Consent Agenda approved 7 – 0.

V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES:

- A. **AB22-32 – Ordinance D22-32** - An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Ordinance No. 1659 Relating To Salaries For Non-Represented Employees.

Councilmember Watson moved to adopt Ordinance D22-32. Deputy Mayor Carter seconded the motion.

Deputy Mayor Carter asked about when the next represented employees contract is up for renewal. City Administrator John Vodopich stated that the current contract runs thru 2023.

Councilmember Watson stated they are trying to do their best for the represented employees and need to do what’s best for non-represented employees. He stated that he will be supporting this Ordinance.

Councilmember Swatman explained how the survey was done and how the pay scale was determined. He stated that some employees were receiving a big increase while others were not. The scale is different for each position and wanted to know if the City will be having a more in-depth survey done.

Councilmember Evans stated he was discussing with Deputy Mayor Carter the need to look at restructuring the departments and staff. There has been changes and the salary scale should reflect the changes.

Mayor McCullough spoke about bringing non-represented employees whole and how directors were under paid in comparison to other cities. With being under paid, the City needs to have incentives to keep from losing good management. He explained that the City is planning on having a more in-depth salary survey that will also include the represented employees this summer. He stated that the survey is for employees not Councilmembers or himself.

Councilmember Watson stated that the represented employees have union contracts that are negotiated often but that the non-represented employees do not have that option. Therefore, the City needs to research and be sure the non-represented are being paid and have the benefits that are comparable to other cities.

Councilmember Fullerton thanked everyone who came to speak about the Ordinance. She stated the Council is listening and care about the situations. They will be working to bring non-represented up to what other city non-represented are being paid also.

Ordinance D22-32 Adopted 7 – 0.

VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ISSUES:

- A. **AB22-26 – Resolution 3019** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney, Lake, Pierce County, Washington Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Professional Services Agreement With KPG Psomes Inc. For Survey And Design Services For The Sidewalk Extension Projects.

Councilmember Watson moved to approve Resolution 3019. Councilmember McClimans seconded the motion.

Councilmember Watson spoke about how this resolution will make sidewalks work together and not just end. That the sidewalks will start to connect together so the community will benefit from being outside and walking and that he will be supporting this resolution.

Resolution 3019 approved 7 – 0.

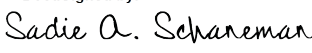
VII. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ISSUES: None

VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES: None

IX. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION: None

X. ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:31 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Mayor McCullough with the common consent of the City Council.

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Sadie A. Schaneman, CMC, City Clerk

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Michael McCullough, Mayor

Items presented to Council at the February 22, 2022, Meeting for the record: None.

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