

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

April 19, 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 workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. Mayor Michael McCullough asked why the Pledge of Allegiance was only done at Council Meetings and suggested that the flag salute was done at both meetings and workshops.

Councilmember Watson moved Councilmember Swatman seconded.

Motion Approved: 7 – 0

B. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor McCullough led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. 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, Public Services Director Ryan Johnstone, Interim Administrative Services Director/Information Services Manager Chuck McEwen, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, and Administrative Specialist II Kasee Gallagher.

Staff members in virtual attendance using the City's BlueJeans conference line were Chief Financial Officer Cherie Reierison, City Prosecutor Dena Burke, Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells, Senior Services Manager Sue Hilberg, and City Attorney Kathleen Haggard.

III. AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Council Open Discussion:

Community Events. Councilmember Watson shared that the Easter Egg Hunt and the Easter 5K Fun Run were a success and well-received by community members.

Parks Appreciation Day. Councilmember Watson stated that April 23, 2022, is Parks Appreciation Day and that there will be a celebration at Midtown Park.

Chamber Luncheon. Councilmember Watson shared that April 21, 2022, is the Chamber Luncheon and that everyone is welcome to attend. Public Services Director Ryan Johnstone will give a presentation at this event sharing updates in the city.

Community For Families Meeting. Councilmember Watson stated that Police Chief Bryan Jeter updated the community on the challenges faced by the Police Department. An update on Beautify Bonney Lake was given as well. There was also an update from the Rotary Club and the Highway 410 cleanup scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2022.

Parliamentary Procedures. Councilmember Swatman thanked the Clerks Office for the parliamentary information sheet given out and that it will be a good reference for Councilmembers going forward.

Reminders. Deputy Mayor Carter reminded Councilmembers to speak directly into the microphone to help persons attending virtually being able to hear audio. Carter also reminded Councilmembers of the Council Retreat scheduled for May 21, 2022, at Al Lagos in Sumner.

Boat Permits. Councilmember Fullerton shared that she would like to see all residents in the 98391 zip code be able to purchase a boat launch permit for 2022. City Clerk Sadie Schaneman stated that 98391 includes all Lake Tapps residents. Councilmember Fullerton stated that people in the 98391 zip code are affected by the Council decisions and should also have access to the launch. She also asked for an update on the signs at the Allan Yorke Boat Launch and the timeline on moving the ecology blocks. Public Services Director Ryan Johnstone stated that the signs are in production.

Assembly Code. Councilmember Baldwin asked for an update on the Assembly Code use. Councilmember Swatman gave an update of what was discussed at the previous Community Decisions Committee Meeting. Councilmembers asked questions and showed interest on a short update and training by city staff on zoning at a future workshop.

City of Bonney Lake Business Licenses. Councilmember Evans discussed the idea to increase the minimum sales for a small business to obtain a business

license. He would like to see the city implement this to help small businesses in the community. The Mayor and Council asked questions and discussed the affect this has on the budget. Councilmembers showed their support.

Rotary Club. Councilmember Baldwin shared that she had been working with the local Rotary Club and Tehalah on organizing the Highway 410 Cleanup. She stated that she has learned from Roger Millar at WSDOT that volunteers would be required to have the covid vaccine to participate. The WSDOT has spoken with Washington State Attorney General Bob Ferguson on this issue. Councilmember Baldwin has also had conversations with Pierce County Executive Bruce Dammeier and Senator Phil Fortunado about this matter.

B. Review Of Council Minutes: March 15th and April 5th, 2022, Council Workshops and March 22nd and April 12th, 2022, Council Meetings.

Councilmembers Watson and Fullerton and Deputy Mayor Carter reported that they had provided Administrative Specialist II Kasee Gallagher with one minor correction to the draft minutes. There was a general consensus of the Council to move the revised minutes forward to the next Council meeting for approval.

C. Discussion: Bonney Lake Owned Property.

City Administrator John Vodopich presented to Council the properties that the city owned, those for sale, and those that are managed.

Councilmembers discussed and asked questions regarding possible sales, easements, the plan for downtown, and updates on properties.

D. Discussion: Senior Center Drivers.

Interim Administrative Services Director/Information Services Manager Chuck McEwen presented to Council the need for adding two paid Senior Center Delivery Drivers. These positions would be three hours a day, five days a week. Senior Services Manager Sue Hillberg explained the necessity of needing drivers and the struggle with finding volunteers. Councilmember Evans asked about using ARPA funds to fund this need until the next budget cycle. Chief Financial Officer Cherie Reiersen stated that ARPA funds can be used to fund this.

Councilmember Swatman asked about partnering with the Bonney Lake Food Bank. Councilmember Watson stated that the Food Bank delivers food, not hot meals. Councilmember McClimans suggested reaching out to the local school district to recruit a driver. Interim Administrative Services Director/Information Services Director Chuck McEwen stated that there is a wage difference in a school bus driver versus a minimum wage senior center driver. Councilmember Evans showed his support of using ARPA funds to help our senior citizens. Councilmember Baldwin asked what the cost would be to add the two part-time

employees. Councilmembers asked more questions, and some would like to find volunteers to fill these positions before the city hires two more employees.

There was a general consensus to add this to the Consent Agenda on the next Council Meeting on April 27, 2022.

E. Discussion: Ball Park #4 Trailer Parking.

Councilmember Fullerton shared that the Council needs to give Public Services Director Ryan Johnstone direction on moving forward with Ball Park #4 and the parking lot, the facilities area that will no longer be used, and the vacant area that will also be going away when the Public Services Department moves to their new building. She also shared that she wants this plan started so trailer parking will not be an issue for next year.


Councilmember Baldwin mentioned that she would like to see a plan put in place now instead of waiting for the next budget cycle. Chief Financial Officer Cherie Reiersen shared that there were no funds in the Parks Fund for turning Ball Park #4 into boat trailer parking and that it would need to come out of the General Fund. She also mentioned that another option is using the ARPA Fund for this project. Public Services Director Ryan Johnstone shared what the timeline would look like.


Councilmembers shared their thoughts and asked questions about the future parking plans for Allan Yorke Park Boat Launch parking.

IV. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION: None.

V. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:28 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 April 19, 2022 Workshop: None.

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