

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

May 20, 2025
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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06:00

I. CALL TO ORDER – Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

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II. ROLL CALL: City Clerk Sadie Schaneman announced that Mayor Carter was not in attendance. In addition to Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, elected officials attending were Councilmember Angela Baldwin, Councilmember Aaron Davis, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember Kerri Hubler, Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans, and Councilmember Brittany Rock.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John P. Vodopich, Chief Financial Officer Cherie Reiersen, Administrative Services Director Chuck McEwen, Public Services Director Jason Sullivan, Assistant Police Chief Ryan Boyle, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, Assistant Public Works Supervisor Lance Johnson, Debbie McDonald Administrative Specialist II, and City Attorney Maili Barber.

Staff members in virtual attendance were none.

III. AGENDA ITEMS:

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A. Council Open Discussion:

Councilmember Hubler:

Car Show at Bonney Lake High School. Councilmember Hubler informed Council of how great the Teal and Steel Car Show and Spring Bazar turned out. She thanked those who came out. Also thanked the City's Public Works department for all they did with hanging banners, placing signs and bringing out their vehicles for, "Touch a Truck".

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B. Review Of Council Minutes: May 6, 2025, City Council Workshop, And May 13, 2025, City Council Meeting.

The draft minutes were forwarded to the May 27, 2025, Council Meeting for approval.

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- C. **Discussion: AB25-43 – Ordinance D25-43** – An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Relating To Business Licensing, Updating Chapter 5.08 Of The Bonney Lake Municipal Code For Consistency With State Law, Adding Administration And Procedural Provisions, Including Appeals, Establishing Requirements For Home Occupations, And Adding A New Section 5.08.080 To The Bonney Lake Municipal Code To Establish Grounds For The Revocation Or Suspension Of A Business License; Providing For Severability And Corrections; And Establishing An Effective Date.

Councilmember Baldwin explained the need to have businesses be accountable for reporting theft. Public Services Director Sullivan went over the changes to the ordinance that include moving Home Occupation codes to this section as it is a better location. A new section was added to establish grounds for the revocation or suspension of a business license.

Council discussed and shared their concerns, including:

- Businesses need to work with local law enforcement to be part of the solution.
- Who will oversee and enforce the Ordinance.
- Businesses own policies on reporting theft.
- Wanting to remove the section on being able to audit businesses books.
- What is the appeal process.
- Notifying businesses ahead of time so they can comment on the Ordinance.

There was Council consensus to place this item back on an upcoming City Workshop once the City Attorney has drafted a summary letter and the letter is sent out to all City Businesses.

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- D. **Discussion: AB25-29 – Motion M25-29** – A Motion Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, To Accept As Complete The Allan Yorke Park Ball Field 5 Project With Premier Field Development.

Public Services Director Sullivan discussed the cost breakdown, timeline and maintenance cost for the Allan Yorke Park Ball Field 5 project.

Council discussed and shared their concerns, including:

- Council needs to be careful and fully understand what a grant is costing the City before accepting it.
- Council must do their diligence and factor in all costs of a project before approving grants and funding.
- Feasibility to having an In-House Project manager instead of hiring outside companies.

There was Council consensus to place the item on the next upcoming consent agenda.

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- E. **Discussion: AB25-45 – Motion M25-45** – A Motion Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Creating A Veterans Memorial Ad-Hoc Committee.

Councilmember Balwin discussed the formation of a committee to get a Veterans Memorial built in Bonney Lake. She feels that being able to have impromptu meetings instead of scheduled ones would help to keep things moving without Government bureaucracy to slow down the project.

Council discussed and shared their concerns, including:

- The Open Public Meetings Act requirements.
- How many Councilmembers would need to be on the Ad-Hoc committee.
- Council is supportive of the project and does not want the project stalled.
- Meeting layout.
- Grants.
- Reasons for having an Ad-Hoc versus a group committee.

There was Council consensus to place the item on the next upcoming full council agenda so appointments to the Ad-Hoc Committee can be made.

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IV. **EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION:**

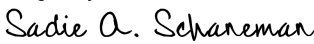
Pursuant to 42.30.110 (i) (iii), Deputy Mayor Swatman announced a 30-minute Executive Session to discuss litigation or legal risks of a proposed action or current practice that the agency has identified when public discussion of the litigation or legal risks is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency, followed by an additional 20-minute Executive Session, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i)(i), to discuss potential litigation with legal counsel.

Due to no action being taken on the matters, Deputy Mayor Swatman announced the Council Workshop would now be adjourned.

The first Executive Session started at 7:55 p.m. and concluded at 8:25 p.m. No action was taken. The Second Executive Session started at 8:27 p.m. and concluded at 8:47 p.m. No action was taken.

V. **ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:50 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Deputy Mayor Swatman with the common consent of the City Council.

Signed by:

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Sadie A. Schaneman, MMC, City Clerk

Signed by:

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Dan Swatman, Deputy Mayor

Items presented to Council at the May 20, 2025, Workshop: None

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