



CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
August 21, 2006
Monday, 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro Tem Beaudry called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL Present were Councilmember's Borek, Drotz, Sirack and Whalen. Councilmember Neal was previously excused.

Councilmember Drotz moved to excuse Councilmember Heddlesten. Councilmember Whalen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

STAFF PRESENT: Interim City Administrator Carter, Public Works Director Neal, Finance Director Pierce, and Public Safety Director Jaques.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Finance Director Pierce and Interim Public Safety Director Jaques commented and responded to questions asked by Council in regards to the monthly reports.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Jerry Pulliam, 432 Juniper St., shared his frustration in regards to the storm ditch on Juniper Street and asked to have it mowed.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., wanted to inform Council on the success of the Planning Commission booth, and wanted to thank Myra Buck and James for their time volunteering in the booth. Extended her gratitude to Debbie Miller for her time spent working on the parade and picnic and commented on how successful it was.

Leonard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave. Ct., shared his frustration with Council not properly using the sound system.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Whalen asked to pull item 6C for discussion.

- (A) Payroll – August 4th - \$196,117.03
- (B) Checks/Vouchers - #11483-11551 - \$270,999.50

Councilmember Whalen moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilmember Drotz seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

MAIN AGENDA:

AB06-091A Critical Area Ordinance, *Ordinance 1671-06*:

City Administrator Carter informed Council that this was a closed hearing and that no public testimony could be taken regarding this item. City Administrator Carter introduced Stan May of BHC Consultants; he's been working with Director Terrell and the Planning Commission.

Mr. May gave a brief summary on the ordinance and the process that was followed. He mentioned that the ordinance was sent to the State for a sixty day review: which included approval from the Department of Ecology, CTED, Department of Wildlife, Puget Sound Action Team and a few comments from Fish and Wildlife. After receiving comments from the various departments, changes and modifications were made to the ordinance.

Councilmember Whalen moved to authorize Ordinance 1671-06, updating critical areas requirements; repealing existing chapters 18.14 and 18.16 and section 18.04.220 of the Milton Municipal Code; adopting new chapters 18.06 and 18.16 of the Milton Municipal code; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date. Councilmember Drotz seconded.

Councilmember Whalen commented on the positive team effort brought forth by the Planning Commission, Stan May and Director Terrell and her department to get this ordinance completed within a timely manner.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Beaudry called for the vote. Motion carried 5-0.

AB06-084A EMS Levy, *Ordinance 1672-06*:

Director Pierce provided Council an updated copy of the proposed ordinance and informed Council of the changes in the ordinance, the main change being the addition of the "For Committee" members and the language authorizing the Mayor to appoint any citizen interested in participating in the "Rejection Committee".

Director Jacques stated that the main goal of the Levy is to be sure that services can be provided while the volunteers are at work during the day.

Councilmember Sirack moved to authorize Ordinance 1672-06, calling for a special election to be held in the Pierce County portion of the City on November 7, 2006, for the purpose of authorizing a temporary additional regular property tax levy for emergency medical care and emergency medical services. Councilmember Borek seconded.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., wanted clarification whether this is an excess levy or a regular levy. Chief Jaques informed her that it is an excess levy.

Leonard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave. Ct., wanted Council and staff to look into possibly changing the amount from the maximum (\$0.50) to a lesser accommodating amount.

Councilmember Drotz mentioned the levy that was passed five years ago, to purchase the new fire truck, will be paid off this year – so this new levy will replace the old one. Basically, it would be a wash.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., in doing research on the City's proposed rezoning, she took the time to go down to the Pierce County Assessor's office and was told that because of the repeal of I-747, the County can't guarantee how taxes are going to be computed.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Beaudry called for the vote. Motion carried 5-0.

AB06-092 Milton Way (23rd to 28th) Improvement Project:

Public Works Director Neal provided background information on this project and spoke to the difference from the original plan compared to the proposed plan. She introduced Steve Clarke and Tim Osborne from Gray and Osborne who have helped design this project. It has been stated that the design process is about 20-30% complete.

Mayor Pro Tem Beaudry recessed the meeting at 7:49 P.M. to allow citizens and Councilmembers to view the plan presented by the consultants for further discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Beaudry called the meeting back to order at 7:57 P.M. and asked for further discussion.

8:00 Natasha Jaksich, Milton-Edgewood Signal, posed two questions: what would happen during a water shortage in regards to the plants and would video footage possibly be set up to catch those who run the red lights? Director Neal answered that the irrigations would basically allow the option of watering. As to the photo enforcement, it would add a significant cost to the project and funding for that has not been considered in this improvement project – however, Public Works would like to entertain his idea in the future.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., had a question about the traffic light at 23rd and Milton Way, heading west. She asked if there would be any kind of signage alerting drivers that they are approaching the signal. She also commented on the bike lane and the possibility of there being a fog lane.

Lenoard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave., commented on the right-of-ways in front of the properties on Milton Way and asked what is going to be the City standards. He shared his concerns with dropping the width of the right-of-ways.

Director Neal stated that Gray and Osborne's contract would need to be amended to include right-of-way negotiations in order to meet the May construction date.

Mayor Pro Tem Beaudry recessed the meeting at 8:13 P.M. for 5 minutes in order for the consultants to remove their props.

Mayor Pro Tem Beaudry called the meeting back to order at 8:18 P.M. and continued the meeting with the next agenda item.

AB06-093 Jovita Realignment Grant Applications:

Director Neal gave an update on the status of the Jovita Realignment grant application. When council approved pursuing a Transportation Improvement Board grant in partnership with the City of Edgewood for this project, it was requested that council be shown the grant application before it was submitted. The draft was presented in draft form. Director Neal handed out and walked the council through the grant application and the work that has been done to date on putting the application package together.

She explained that the City of Edgewood was designated the "lead agency" since they had put forth all the effort in hiring a consultant to go through the application process. She briefly guided council through the rest of the application.

Resolution 06-1699, Accepting a donation from the City of Fife for the VFW Memorial:

Councilmember Whalen explained that he pulled the resolution from the consent agenda so that there would be a little more recognition for this resolution. He thanked the City of Fife for their support in this memorial.

Councilmember Whalen moved to approve Resolution 06-1699, accepting a donation from the City of Fife to be used in helping construct a memorial in honor of past and present veterans within our community. Councilmember Drotz seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Whalen: Will not be able to attend PCRC on Thursday night.

Councilmember Drotz: Attended the VFW fund raiser, and commented about the donation received from the new gas station in town; Thanked Mark, Ken, & Debbie for an outstanding job on the Parade & Picnic.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Thanked council for cooperation while Mayor Asay was out of town
- The Parade and Picnic went very well and nothing but positive comments have been mentioned about it and he thanked everyone for their participation
- Let City Administrator Carter know if you would like to help in the planning of the 100 Year Celebration

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Sirack moved to adjourn. Councilmember Drotz seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 P.M.



Mark Beaudry, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Maria Pierce, City Clerk