



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Tuesday – February 22, 2011
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Perry called the regularly-scheduled meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present were Heddlesten, Morton, Ott, Sanderson, Taylor, and Whalen.

STAFF PRESENT

City Administrator Mukerjee, Interim Finance Director Tylor, Police Chief Rhoads, Public Works Director Neal, and Deputy City Clerk Stevenson-Ness were present.

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor requested a discussion regarding restoring funding for the Milton Days event.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of:

- Minutes of February 7, February 8, February 10, and February 15, 2011, special meetings;
- Approval of the February 4, 2011, payroll direct deposits, checks, and benefits, in the amount of \$253,423.49;
- Checks/vouchers , numbers 50707-50858 in the amount of \$370,932.35; printer error checks 50750-50757, and void check 50611; and
- AB11-023: Engineering Design Contracts for Water Bond Projects

Councilmember Sanderson requested that the checks and vouchers and Engineering Design Contract for Water Bond Projects be moved to the regular agenda. Mayor Perry placed the item on the regular agenda as items A1 and A2.

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.
Seconded by Councilmember Morton.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

A1. Checks and Vouchers

Councilmember Sanderson asked for clarification on several vouchers presented for approval.

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to approve the checks and vouchers. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

A2. AB11-023: Engineering Design Contracts for Water Bond Projects

Councilmember Sanderson requested clarification of the contracts. Public Works Director Neal advised Council that Council already approved the funding of the projects and that this agenda bill was to enter into the formal agreements for design engineering of four of the six projects.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED to authorize the mayor to enter into agreements with the engineering firm of Gray & Osborne for engineering design of thwe water capital projects identified in the adopted Water Utility's Capital Improvement Program and for which bond monies were obtained and included in the 2011 adopted budget. Seconded by Councilmember Whalen.

The motion was voted on and carried 5-1 (Sanderson.)

A. AB11-024: Fire Contract Update

Chief Thorson provided information on initial service agreement implementation issues and discussed areas of improvement, response times and other service issues.

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Don Wilson	9 th Avenue	Response times
Beverly Webb	1701 Utah Ct.	Annexation status to East Pierce Fire and Rescue
Rick Kuss	Board Chair, East Pierce Fire and Rescue	Concerns will be discussed and addressed with the Board
Jacquelyn Whalen	1605 13 th Avenue	Troubled by service; what equipment and who do we have on staff at our station?

B. AB11-025: Financial Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010.

Mr. Mukerjee commended Interim Finance Director Tylor for a good, timely report.

Interim Finance Director Tylor provided Council with an overview of the 2010 year-end financial report.

C. Discussion regarding restoring funding for Milton Days Event.

MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to discuss restoring funding for the Milton Days event. Seconded by Councilmember Heddlesten.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor stated he would like to look into restoring funding for the Milton Days event.

MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to discuss the item at the March 14 study session. Seconded by Councilmember Morton.

COUNCILMEMBER SANDERSON MOVED to amend the motion to discuss reinstating employees who will be terminated. Seconded by Councilmember Whalen.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

Yes: Morton, Sanderson, Taylor, Whalen

No: Heddlesten, Ott

The motion carried 4-2.

The amended original motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

Executive Session: per RCW 42.30.110(1)(h) to evaluate qualifications of candidates for appointed councilmember position.

Mayor Perry recessed the council meeting at 8:57 p.m. and reconvened to executive session at 9:05 p.m. for 15 minutes to evaluate qualifications of candidates for appointed councilmember position.

At 9:17 p.m., Mayor Perry reconvened the regular meeting.

D. AB11-019: Selection and Swearing-In of New Councilmember

Mr. Mukerjee outlined the council-adopted process for the appointment of a councilmember.

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to go straight to councilmember nominations. Seconded by Councilmember Heddlesten.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

Mayor Perry opened the nominations.

Councilmember Ott nominated Lois Zaroudny.

Councilmember Whalen nominated Gerry Miller.

Councilmember Heddlesten nominated Gerry Miller.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor nominated Lois Zaroudny.

Mayor Perry closed the nominations.

The candidates were voted on in order beginning with Lois Zaroudny.

Roll call vote for Lois Zaroudny was taken resulting as follows:

Yes: Heddlesten, Morton, Ott, Sanderson, Taylor, Whalen

Interim City Clerk Lisa Tylor swore in Lois Zaroudny as councilmember.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Mukerjee reported on the following:

- Stated he will be on vacation through March 2;
- Discussed the need to find an agreed upon date for the Council retreat.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Morton reported on:

- Apologized for missing candidate interviews

Councilmember Whalen reported on:

- Recommendation to have council committees – especially the Finance Committee
- Lighting on park pathways
- Requested information regarding the council calendar

Councilmember Heddlesten

- Offered his congratulations to Councilmember Zaroudny on her appointment.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor

- Attended CLAC and Labor Relations Forum in Olympia
- Provided information regarding House Bill 1856

Councilmember Ott reported on:

- Offered congratulations to Councilmember Zaroudny
- Encouraged candidates to participate in committees and stay involved
- VFW Post 11401 donated \$65,738, including upkeep of memorial and monies to families in community

Councilmember Sanderson reported on:

- Offered congratulations to Councilmember Zaroudny
- Fireworks
- Want to discuss reducing the mayor's salary before the candidate filing date to take effect in 2012

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Perry reported that:

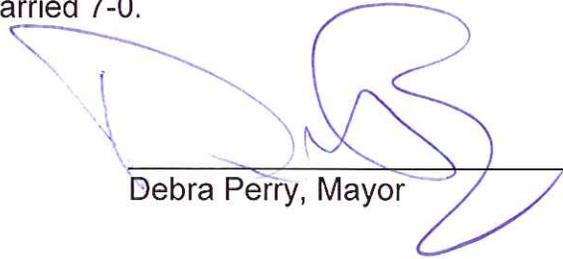
- The ribbon cutting ceremony for the Milton Way Project went well; had a great turnout; took leftover cookies and balloons to the daycares on Milton Way

- Attended the AWC CLAC conference and Labor Relations forum
- Milltown Café provided coffee free and cookies at cost for the Milton Way ribbon cutting ceremony

ADJOURNMENT

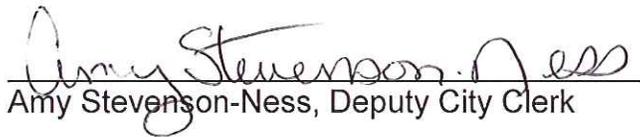
MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m. Councilmember Heddlesten seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.



Debra Perry, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Stevenson-Ness, Deputy City Clerk