



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Special Meeting
Monday, January 23, 2012
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Perry called the regularly-scheduled meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present were Jones, Manley, Ott, Taylor, Whalen, and Zaroudny.

Council Members absent were Morton

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to excuse Councilmember Morton from the meeting. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

STAFF PRESENT

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

Also in attendance: East Pierce Fire and Rescue Chief Thorson

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

City Administrator Mukerjee requested that a brief snow report be added to the agenda. Mayor Perry added the report as Item A1 to the Regular Agenda.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Jacquelyn Whalen	1605 13 th Avenue	Express appreciation for good handling of snow issue
Don Wilson		City did well maintaining during snow storm
Paula Gierke	Heather Hills resident	Thanks to Events Committee/foundation board; for great awards dinner
Carol Flower	Heather Hills resident	Presented \$100 check from Heather Hills Homeowners Association to Chief Rhoads for the 2012 Rangers' Ball

PRESENTATION

Pierce County Council Chair Joyce McDonald provided information to Council regarding the status of the Pierce County Flood Control Zone District. Also attending with Councilmember McDonald were Jeff Cox and Sharla Newman, Pierce County.

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Jacquelyn Whalen	1605 13 th Avenue	Topographical map would show most of Milton drains into Hylebos; have trouble paying for something that doesn't directly benefit Milton
Leonard Sanderson	1201 24 th Avenue Ct.	Boundaries not set by drainage basins
Richard Cosner	507 7 th Avenue	Desire to have tiered system;

Chair McDonald also said she was elected as the Chair of the County Council for 2012. She is looking forward to a trip to Washington DC with Pierce County Executive Pat McCarthy where she will be happy to lobby on the City's behalf regarding the use of the former library space.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of:

- A. Minutes from January 3, 2012, special meeting, and January 9, 2012, special meeting;
- B. December 20, 2011, payroll direct deposits, checks, and benefits, in the amount of \$151,484.97; and the January 5, 2012, payroll direct deposits, checks, and benefits, in the amount of 202,554.24; and
- C. **AB12-009:** Puget Sound Energy Franchise Extension

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

A1. Snow Report

City Administrator Mukerjee recognized the Street and Electric crews for an outstanding job keeping Milton's streets open and the electricity on.

Director Neal said the City of Milton Public Works crews started responding to icy road conditions as early as Sunday, January 15th. The drop in temperature and freezing rain midway through the week resulted in expanding service demands including power outages, trees across roadways, and branches in the electrical lines.

She also provided the following statistics regarding the snow and ice storm:

- 50 tons of sand were used on the streets
- Almost 220 total hours of overtime were logged by Public Works staff
- More than 120 gallons of diesel was used for City vehicles plowing and sanding the streets
- The electric crew used more than 65 gallons of diesel in responding to power outages
- Total cost of this storm event – **almost \$35,000**

Mayor Perry stated that a proclamation in recognition of the crews will be prepared. It was dangerous to be working outside during the storm with branches and trees falling. We have fantastic crews!

Councilmember Whalen stated a lot of this reflects dedicated employees and the relationship they have with City. He is proud to be related to all of this, especially under the circumstances.

Chief Thorson reported that the Fire Department efforts started on Tuesday January 17 to ensure the equipment and staff was ready to go. An additional medic unit was added into system on January 19 and they increased staffing on fire engines up to 3. EPFT ensured Milton had 3 volunteers on staff on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday and opened up volunteers to volunteer at stations 15 and 19. The Emergency Operations Center was activated on Thursday morning and staffed again on Friday. Chief Thorson also stated that Janice was a great resource to work with and echoed compliments regarding the power staying on and roads were well taken care of. He stated you could really tell the difference between Milton and other cities.

A. AB12-010: Appointment of Council to various boards and commissions

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED to approve the appointments of the Mayor and Councilmembers to the various boards and commissions listed below. Seconded by Councilmember Whalen.

	2011 Appointments	2012 Appointments
PCRC	Debra Perry Leonard Sanderson – Alternate	Debra Perry Bryan Ott - Alternate
RCC	Leonard Sanderson Jim Heddlesten – Alternate	Aaron Jones Bart Taylor – Alternate
SCATBd	Bart Taylor Todd Morton – Alternate	Bart Taylor Debra Perry - Alternate
SCA/PIC 5 meetings budgeted for Mayor and 2 Council members	Bart Taylor Debra Perry – Alternate	Jim Manley Debra Perry - Alternate

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

B. AB12-011: Approval of Planning Commission Work Plan

Leticia Neal, Public Works Director stated the draft work plan identifies the issues that Planning Commission and staff are proposing for 2012. The Planning Commission will begin review of regulations on Medical Marijuana in March followed by Shoreline Master Plan Municipal Code provisions, lighting restrictions, amendment to the Sign Code, Comprehensive Plan Amendments, various code amendments, and other duties as assigned by Council.

MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to approve the 2012 Planning Commission Work Plan. Seconded by Councilmember Manley.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

C. AB12-012: Approval of Park Board Work Plan

Ms. Neal stated the draft Work Plan identifies the issues that the Park Board and staff are proposing to focus on for the remainder of 2012. The first three items are carry-overs from the previously approved 2010-2011 work plan. Item #1, "Dogs", is partially complete and will address concerns that have been voiced by citizens to staff and members of the Park Board.

The next two items, "Skateboard Park" and "Interurban Trail", will be an analysis of how the MMC as it's currently written applies to these two facilities – neither of which existed when the majority of the MMC 12.16 was adopted. We anticipate input from both the Police Department and WCIA regarding any enforcement and liability issues.

The last two items are new for this year's work plan. Item #4, "ADA Bathroom in Triangle Park", reflects Council's budgeted intent to construct the new restroom facilities as required under the City's settlement agreement with the Department of Justice to be built by 2013. As previously directed by Council, the Park Board's role will be to review structure concepts and location, as well as miscellaneous input during the project. Item #5, "Comp Plan Update", will include preliminary work in preparing for necessary updates to the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Beverly Webber	1701 Utah Ct	Suggested the city try for grants; recommendation that the west end of Milton is lacking in parks
Leonard Sanderson	1201 24 th Avenue Ct.	Discussed the conditions of using the Oloffson property on for parks/open space.

MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to approve the 2012 Park Board Work Plan. Seconded by Councilmember Whalen.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

D. AB12-013: Park Sidewalk Lighting

Director Neal stated the ordinance would amend Section 12.16.165 of the Milton Municipal Code to allow lighted sidewalks and activities on the sidewalks between dusk and dawn. The Park Board has recommended lighting within the City's parks agreed with the proposed code changes.

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Beverly Webber	1701 Utah Ct	Was originally on 2010-2011 work plan regarding hours

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to adopt Ordinance 1784-12, amending Section 12.16.165 of the Milton Municipal Code to provide for illuminated sidewalks in Parks and their usage. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Mukerjee reported on:

- Date of Council retreat has changed and it looks like Friday, March 30 and Saturday, March 31, will likely be the dates. He requested that Council check their calendars and respond.
- Announced he will be out of office from January 25 through February 5 on family matter.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Zaroudny reported on:

- Compliments to crews and thanks for the great job done, kudos are well deserved

Councilmember Manley reported on:

- City did a great job during the storm;
- Inquired if King County citizens will be charged for Pierce County flood district.

Councilmember Ott reported on:

- Exceptional work and good leadership for the Public Works Department;
- Attended the Police Foundation Dinner with Councilmember and Mrs. Whalen, Mayor and Mr. Perry, and Mayor Pro Tem Taylor; Very well done and in direct correlation with our fine officers

Councilmember Whalen reported on:

- Inquired if during power outages in Edgewood, if Milton can offer to keep the stoplights on

Councilmember Jones reported on:

- Sometimes people forget all the crews do and it takes something like a storm like this to highlight their good work;
- Inquired on the number of plows out during the storm.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor reported on:

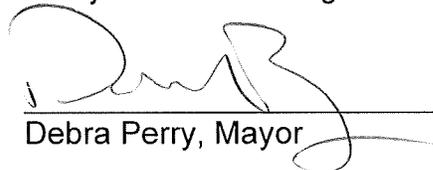
- Provided kudos to the crews for their outstanding work;
- Expressed a concern about Council being trained in emergency management and stated he would like to see that done;
- Announced he would be attending a Jurassic Parliament webinar entitled "Wrangling the Disruptive Councilmember" on January 31.
- Requested that Director Neal set up a presentation for Heather Hills HOA regarding the Jovita presentation, on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.
- Will be attending the City Legislative Action Conference later in the week.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Having an open house regarding the Jovita alignment; dates are pending;
- Attended the Police Foundation Banquet; weather held off until after event; Event committee auction brought in \$600+; and donated to Police Foundation; dinner was delicious; John Keister performed; Senior board participated – good cooperation
- Triangle Park was big sledding spot
- A lot to be said for good community; kudos to Mary for making bathrooms accessible to park users
- High praise for crews/police during storm
- Public Transit Benefit District – many areas won't have bus service and areas are looking into opting out of paying taxes

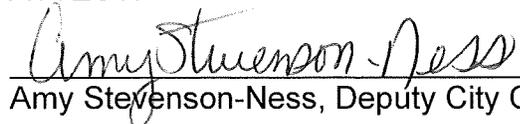
ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 p.m.



Debra Perry, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Stevenson-Ness, Deputy City Clerk