



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Monday, March 16, 2015
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Perry called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Whalen, Ott, Morton, Manley, and Zaroudny
Councilmember Johnson after swear-in at 7:35 pm

Absent: Councilmember Jones (Whalen – 5/0)

STAFF PRESENT

Finance Director Garrison, Police Chief Hernandez, Public Works Director Mecham, and City Clerk Bolam

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Councilmember Zaroudny requested the nomination and appointment of a new councilmember to Position #2. Mayor Perry added before the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Manley requested the appointment of a new Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Perry added before the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Perry announced the deletion of item 6A, the swearing-in of a new police officer.

Mayor Perry added a Police Chief's report to the end of the agenda.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

| Speaker | Address | Comments |
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| Mitchell Nutt | 1708 18 th Ave | His neighborhood has been bothered by the constant noise from daybreak until dark of chickens and roosters. He and his neighbors have approached the offending home in a friendly manner. Referred to Sumner noise ordinance, but |

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| | | there are grey areas open for interpretation. Wants to make council aware. |
| Jerry Long | 1706 18 th Ave | Confirmed first citizen's comments – neighbors have done all steps to peaceably resolve this. There is also excessive dog noise. |

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of:

- A. Minutes
 - a. March 2, 2015 Regular Meeting
 - b. March 9, 2015 Study Session
- B. Voucher and Payroll Approval
 - a. Checks/vouchers 56425, 56435-56497, and voided check 56242 in the amount of \$189,112.87.
 - b. Payroll of 3/5/2015 and related check numbers 56426-56429, 56431-56434, and voided check 56430 in the amount of \$190,816.03.
- C. Affirm Mayor's Appointment of Public Works Director

Councilmember Ott asked for clarification on two items.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, to approve the Consent Agenda. **Passed 5/0.**

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Pierce County Library – Pierce County Reads

Mayor Perry read the proclamation and introduced Pierce County representatives Linda Case and Jennifer Patterson, who spoke about this year's Pierce County READS book and provided a library update.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 2015 Budget Amendment

Mayor Perry opened the public hearing at 7:29 p.m; there was no public comment. The public hearing was closed at 7:30 pm.

NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW COUNCILMEMBER

Mayor Perry announced that Council Position #2 was recently vacated and referred to Councilmember Zaroundy, who suggested that it's important to move forward quickly to fill this position due to the timing to file for the next general election.

Councilmember Zaroudny nominated Susan Johnson for the position, saying she has an appropriate background and proven record for Milton events and concerns.

There were no other nominations.

COUNCILMEMBER ZAROUDNY MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Ott, to appoint Susan JF Johnson to Position #2 until the general election.

Councilmember Ott echoed the high qualifications of Susan Johnson; Ms. Johnson expressed appreciation and accepted the nomination and motion.

The motion was voted on and passed 5/0.

OATH OF OFFICE – SUSAN JF JOHNSON

Mayor Perry conducted the Oath of Office with Susan JF Johnson. Councilmember Johnson took her seat at the dais.

NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Perry announced that the Mayor Pro Tem position was recently vacated and referred to Councilmember Manley.

Councilmember Manley nominated Councilmember Zaroudny to the position of Mayor Pro Tem; Councilmember Whalen concurred, adding that her knowledge and experience brings protection to the council. Councilmember Zaroudny accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

COUNCILMEMBER MANLEY MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, to appoint Councilmember Zaroudny as Mayor Pro Tem. **Passed 6/0.**

Mayor Perry clarified the role of the Mayor Pro Tem position and expressed great confidence in Councilmember Zaroudny.

REGULAR AGENDA

- Freeman Road Boundary Adjustment Interlocal Agreement

Director Mecham reviewed this item and answered questions from last week's meeting, including the recommendation that Milton keep hold of the newly created right of way.

Council expressed concern over the increased traffic load due to the new housing development and new warehousing, and the timing of the traffic light. Attorney Park said the ILA better protects any future enforcement of violations, and informed council that the City of Milton will have opportunity to comment during the SEPA process.

| Speaker | Address | Comments |
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| Jim Mickelson | Northwest Embroidery | 15 years ago sold the corner to the city with the understanding there'd be a stoplight. |

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| Jacquelyn Whalen | 1605 13 th Ave | <p>Thanked city staff for strengthening Milton's position.</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the square footage calculation net out in Milton's favor? • Is the current LOS high enough to allow for mitigation? |
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COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to approve the attached Interlocal Agreement with the City of Fife. **Passed 6/0.**

- Information Technology (IT) – Approval of Position and Program

Chief Hernandez introduced this item and explained that the City of Auburn has notified us of the cancellation of the IT contract this summer.

Contract Manager Lewis presented the proposed IT business model. Information Technology expert Ron Tiedeman further presented a proposed answer to Milton's IT needs and the regional business model.

Council members asked clarifying questions and expressed support for the proposal.

COUNCILMEMBER MANLEY MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, to approve the establishment of the Information Technology Director position at a salary range of \$75,600-\$104,990.

Councilmember Whalen expressed support for the self-sustaining nature solving a traditionally expensive service.

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| Jacquelyn Whalen | 1605 13 th Ave | <p>Do cities have to be on same software as Milton for us to give good service?</p> <p>Do we have to buy a lot of equipment to provide this service?</p> |

Chief Hernandez further explained the proposal and answered council's questions.

The motion was voted on and passed 6/0.

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to approve the establishment of the Information Technology Program as presented at \$10,000-\$20,000.

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to amend the motion to read "...as presented at a cost up to \$35,000." **Passed 6/0.**

Council expressed support for taking the lead on this rather than continuing to follow, and looks forward to the resulting increase in customer service from every department for the citizens of Milton.

The amended motion was voted on and passed 6/0.

- Contract Approval – RMS

Chief Hernandez explained this item.

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Ott, to accept the Interlocal agreement between the City of Fife and the City of Milton regarding records management services. **Passed 6/0.**

- 2015 Budget Amendment – Ordinance

Director Garrison explained the amendment summaries and handed out additional clarifying information.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Ott, to adopt the attached Ordinance amending the 2015 Budget and Staffing Levels. **Passed 6/0.**

- Pierce Transit Nomination to Board

Mayor Perry explained about the proposal and the partnership with the three cities.

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to nominate City of Edgewood Mayor Daryl Eiding to continue as the Fife/Milton/Edgewood representative to the Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners, to fill a term through April 30, 2018.

Council expressed appreciation for Mayor Eiding's level of commitment and the benefit of that to all of our communities.

The motion was voted on and passed 6/0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Chief Hernandez handed out a response letter from East Pierce Fire District, and the police blotter from March 1-15.

Director Mecham gave an update on the new ADA bathroom, saying it is a good fit, and the lighting increases security.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Zaroudny

- Council meetings are very exciting and a lot is being accomplished due to the leadership of the Mayor and staff.

Councilmember Manley

- Attended the Town Hall Meeting and was impressed with the turnout.
- The Economic Development Director position is crucial to our future.

Councilmember Morton

- Congratulated new Councilmember Johnson and Mayor Pro Tem Zaroudny.
- Requested the new dates for Council retreat so he can request it off from work.
- Skate park user expressed to him that the paint used to cover the graffiti is slippery.

Councilmember Ott

- Requested the relocation of some street lights.
- Congratulated new Councilmember Johnson and Mayor Pro Tem Zaroudny.
- Town Hall meeting was a great success with great input.
- Welcome to all new city staff members.
- Thank you to the Police Chief for his high standard of security for our city.

Councilmember Whalen

- Echoed others' comments.

Councilmember Johnson

- Very excited about joining Council and continuing to serve the City of Milton.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- She was very proud of the Town Hall Meeting and turn-out.
- Heard about the high prevalence of online fraud at the Chamber meeting.
- The ADA bathrooms are finally being installed!
- Participating in the Tour of the Symphony Garden tour and showing off our Park.
- Looking forward to hosting the Pierce County Mayor's Meeting and welcoming Congressman Reichert to town.
- One of the new faces on staff is our Public Works Superintendent, assisting Director Mecham.
- Presenting a Good Samaritan award to Edgewood Mayor Eiding at Edgewood's council meeting.
- The Council retreat will be May 15-16.

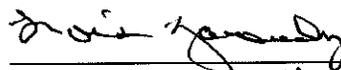
ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

ATTEST:



Katie Bolam, City Clerk



Debra Perry, Mayor Pro Tem
