



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Monday – November 3, 2008
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Asay called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present were Beaudry, Borek, Drotz, Heddlesten, Sanderson, and Whalen. Councilmembers excused Councilmember Neal at the October 20, 2008 meeting.

STAFF PRESENT

City Administrator Wilson, Finance Director Pierce, Public Works Director Neal, Police Chief Rhoads, Fire Chief Jaques, Fire Captain Sterrenburg, Finance Tech II Short, and Deputy City Clerk Fortier were present.

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Mayor Asay deleted the Executive Session from the agenda.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Pat Hersee, 1708 15th Avenue, expressed appreciation for the Police and Fire Department's participation in the pancake breakfast, and Jack Chandler, 79 23rd Avenue, requested the Council consider making a monetary contribution for new signage for the Veterans Memorial.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes from the October 20, 2008 regular meeting, October 27, 2008 Budget Workshop, October 20, 2008 payroll direct deposits, checks, and benefits, in the amount of \$152,946.17, and November 3, 2008 checks/vouchers, numbers 16394 – 16508, in the amount

of \$318,176.92. Check Nos. 16395 – 16398 were used for payroll, and Check Nos. 15605, 15606, 16248, and 16324 were voided.

COUNCILMEMBER DROTZ MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Whalen seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

AB08-095: Ordinance No. 1731-08 – Amendment to Section 13.36.010(E)(5) – Utility Billing Policies and Procedures: Finance Director Pierce presented the ordinance which would amend the Milton Municipal Code to temporarily raise the minimum amount past due for utility termination from \$50.00 to \$100.00, effective until March 31, 2009.

COUNCILMEMBER HEDDLESTEN MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1731-08 amending Chapter 13.36.010 (E)(5) of the Milton Municipal Code, to temporarily raise the minimum amount past due for utility termination from \$50.00 to \$100.00 effective until March 31, 2009. Councilmember Whalen seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

AB08-096: Ordinance No. 1732-08 – Proposed 2009 Budget: City Administrator Wilson presented an overview of the Mayor's proposed 2009 annual budget.

Mayor Asay opened the public hearing at 7:39 p.m. and called for public comment.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Avenue, made comments regarding the proposed budget.

Mayor Asay closed the public hearing at 7:44 p.m.

COUNCILMEMBER DROTZ MOVED to continue the public hearing on the proposed 2009 annual budget to the November 17, 2008 regular Council meeting. Councilmember Whalen seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.

AB08-097: Ordinance No. 1733-08 – 2009 Property Tax Levy AND Ordinance No. 1734-08 – 2009 EMS Property Tax Levy: Finance Director Pierce presented an overview of the proposed tax levy ordinances.

Mayor Asay opened the public hearing at 7:47 p.m. and called for public comment.

No public comments were made.

Mayor Asay closed the public hearing at 7:48 p.m.

DISCUSSION ITEM

City Hall Remodel Update: City Administrator Wilson reported that the remodel was nearing completion. The cost for the remodel was \$8,950 which was \$1,050 less than the approved \$10,000. A component that was not included in the plans for the remodel was replacing the carpet. Now that most of the construction is complete, it is evident that the carpeting in the Administration and Finance offices needs to be replaced. Another area needing new carpet is the Police Department. The estimated cost for replacing the carpeting in all three areas is \$4,480. Removal and reinstallation of the office furniture would be coordinated with City staff and be done on a Friday afternoon and into the weekend. The carpet would be installed over the same weekend causing very little disruption to City business.

Councilmember Drotz expressed concern with having City staff responsible for disassembling and reassembling the partitions and desks and suggested that professionals be hired to do the job.

Councilmembers Heddlesten and Beaudry made comments supporting the idea of hiring professionals to do the job.

COUNCILMEMBER BOREK MOVED to approve funding for replacing the carpet in the Administration, Finance, and Police Departments not to exceed \$4,480. Councilmember Sanderson seconded the motion.

COUNCILMEMBER DROTZ MOVED to amend the motion by adding an additional \$1,000 to the funding for professionals to remove and reinstall the partitions and desks for a total not to exceed \$5,480. Councilmember Whalen seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried 4-2 with Councilmembers Beaudry and Heddlesten voting no.

The original motion as amended was voted on and carried 4-2 with Councilmembers Beaudry and Heddlesten voting no.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

City Administrator Wilson reported that the name of the candidate chosen for the Community Development Director position will be announced the week of November 10th.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Sanderson reported/commented on: 1) that he had previously noticed an invoice for an L&I inspection and wanted to know the outcome, and 2) participation in the pancake breakfast.

Councilmember Whalen reported/commented on: 1) attendance at the pancake breakfast, 2) new luxury yacht sales business that has recently opened in Milton, and 3) the need to step-up animal control licensing in the City. Councilmember Whalen also commented that he has noticed someone marking telephone poles in the City and asked if staff were doing an inventory. Public Works Director Neal commented that an inventory was not being done by Public Works staff.

Councilmember Beaudry questioned the status of the wall mural. Mayor Asay commented that a grand opening could possibly occur at the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Councilmember Drotz reported/commented on: 1) attendance at a couple of Economic Development Board of Commissioners meetings, and 2) questioned the hiring status of the Senior Finance Analyst. Finance Director Pierce commented that interviews were scheduled for November 13, 2008.

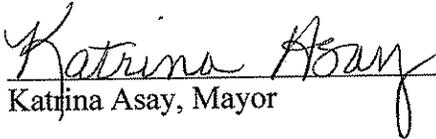
MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Asay reported/commented on: 1) the importance in supporting the request made by Jack Chandler for the City to contribute \$650 for signage for the Veterans Memorial, 2) the November 5, 2008 AWC Roundtable in Tacoma, and 3) a request from Chris Carrel, Friends of

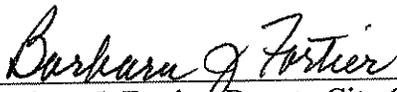
the Hylebos, for the City to financially sponsor \$20,000 toward eradication of weeds that are returning at the West Milton Park.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMEMBER BEAUDRY MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. Councilmember Heddlesten seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried 6-0.


Katrina Asay, Mayor

ATTEST:


Barbara J. Fortier, Deputy City Clerk