



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Monday – May 4, 2009
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

Council Members Present: Beaudry, Borek, Drotz, Heddlesten, Neal, Sanderson, and Whalen

STAFF PRESENT

Interim City Administrator Fessler, Community Development Director Nicholson, Fire Chief Jaques, Police Chief Rhoads, Public Works Director Neal, Finance Director Pierce, and Deputy City Clerk Stevenson-Ness were present.

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Council Member Sanderson requested to add a discussion regarding the addition of a light standard at the Skateboard Park as Item 6C.

Mayor Asay deleted the Executive Session.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Steve Tomaso, 1709 Milton Way, requested an update on the Milton Way project.

Milton Loflin, 1810 11th Avenue, thanked Council Member Sanderson and others for bringing representatives from Lakehaven Water District to the last council meeting. He stated it is important for the City of Milton to have information presented to make better decisions.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave. inquired on the progress of contact from Mt. View/Edgewood Water System for their proposal.

In response to the inquiry from Mr. Tomaso, Mayor Asay stated the Milton Way project is in the final design stages. The city is waiting for one property owner to sign off on the easements, before the project can go to bid.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the April 20, 2009, payroll direct deposits, checks, and benefits, in the amount of \$157,313.42; and the checks/vouchers for April 29, 2009, checks/vouchers, numbers 17521-17535 and numbers 17611-17686 in the amount of \$386,687361. Voided Checks numbers 17536-17610.

COUNCIL MEMBER HEDDLESTEN MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Council Member Sanderson seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

AB 09-019 –Approval of an agreement with Gray and Osborne, in the amount of \$15,650, for project design for the repair of 7th Avenue.

Director Neal explained the settling problem along 7th Avenue and the remedies attempted to correct the settling, but they have not worked and are extremely short term. Further settling could cause a major water main break or separation of the main from the service lines. Because the project affects specific utilities, it should be funded equally from the Streets and Water funds.

There was discussion regarding the urgency of the situation, the timeline for repairs, and the possible causes of the situation.

COUNCIL MEMBER DROTZ MOVED to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Gray & Osborne, in the amount of \$15,650, for geotechnical investigation and conceptual design services for the repair of 7th Avenue, as outlined in the submitted scope of work. She further moved to approve a budget adjustment to transfer equal portions of the contract cost from the fund balances of the Street Fund and the Water Fund. Council Member Neal seconded the motion.

Upon further discussion, Council Member Heddlesten suggested funding the geotechnical contract from the Stormwater fund. There was further discussion regarding how to fund the eventual repairs to 7th Avenue. It was determined that it should be charged to stormwater unless the analysis indicated it did not cause the problem.

COUNCIL MEMBER DROTZ moved to amend her motion to approve \$15,650 from the Stormwater fund. Mayor Pro Tem Heddlesten seconded the motion. The motion to amend the original motion was voted on and carried 7-0.

The motion, as amended, was voted on and carried 7-0

AB09-020 - Approval of an agreement with Gray and Osborne, in the amount of \$32,000, for project design for the repair of 20th Avenue Court and Hylebos Avenue.

Director Neal stated this was a complete design package, wherein Gray & Osborne will develop plan specifications that will be bid-ready to repair 20th Avenue Court and Hylebos Avenue, which has a similar situation to that of 7th Avenue. The estimated cost to repair 20th Avenue will be \$150,000, and any possibility for in-house repair will be considered.

MAYOR PRO TEM HEDDLESTEN MOVED to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Gray & Osborne, in the amount of \$32,000, for the engineering design services to repair 20th Avenue Court and Hylebos Avenue, as outlined in the submitted scope of work. Council Member Whalen seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.

Discussion: Light standards at the skateboard park

Council Member Sanderson inquired about a truck mounting a light standard at the skateboard park.

Director Neal stated she would get back to the Council with a response.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Interim City Administrator Fessler provided an update on the management team's planning retreat. She briefly explained the new process for long-range financial planning that will then lead into the budget process.

She also provided a status report on video arraignment for Municipal Court. The Court Administrator has ordered some of the equipment needed for the program and she is hopeful that the video arraignment system will be implemented in June.

She informed Council that at the May 11 study session, the Planning staff and city attorney will be reviewing the requirements, purpose and intent of the state Regulatory Reform Act. She stated the Regulatory Reform ordinance will then be placed on the Council agenda for approval.

Interim City Administrator Fessler provided an update on the status of Well #5, which had been shut down due to pump cavitation. She stated maintenance will be performed and the well will be brought back online.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Sanderson reported there are many items the council takes action on that take a number of years to accomplish. He said he would like to see a calendar of upcoming items for the council.

Mayor Pro Tem Heddlesten reported that he had stood in for Mayor Asay at an event at Fort Lewis - Lest They Be Forgotten - and remarked that it was a great presentation. He also reported there is a new business reopening in town, Premiere Auto Repair and requested that people use local businesses as much as possible. Council Member Heddlesten requested that the city map be returned to the chambers. He requested a discussion of the Council/Manager vs. Council/Mayor forms of government be placed on a study session agenda. He also requested that the issue of televised council meetings be placed on an agenda for discussion.

Councilmember Drotz stated that she liked reading the Fire Department statistics report and requested that the council still receive them. Interim City Administrator Fessler responded that the statistical report will be part of the Administrator's Report at the third meeting of the month.

MAYOR'S REPORT

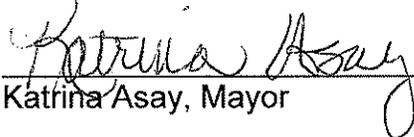
Mayor Asay reported that due to the economy, Lloyds has exercised the option in their contract to discontinue funding the senior planner position as of July 15th. She also reported that the Fire Department is taking the next steps to move forward with the annexation with Fire District 8. She stated there is an issue with ambulance services withdrawing from the Milton/Edgewood area and asked Fire Chief Jaques to address this issue.

Chief Jaques discussed the difficulty the City of Milton is having in getting the private ambulance companies to respond to emergency medical transport calls and the options available for response to the calls. Discussion ensued regarding the next steps and short- and long-term options to the transport issue.

ADJOURNMENT

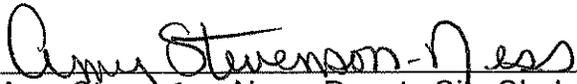
COUNCIL MEMBER BEAUDRY MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Councilmember Sanderson seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.



Katrina Asay, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Stevenson-Ness, Deputy City Clerk