



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 16, 2010
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 were Heddlesten, Morton, Ott, Perry, Sanderson, Taylor, and Whalen.

STAFF PRESENT

Police Chief Rhoads, Public Works Director Neal, Finance Director Pierce, and Deputy City Clerk Stevenson-Ness were present.

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Councilmember Ott requested a discussion regarding rules of conduct for council members during meetings. Mayor Asay added the discussion as Item G.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Speaking before the Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Robert MacDonald	1308 15 th Avenue	Council member conduct at meetings
Annette Savory	900 Meridian East	Council member conduct at meetings

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of:

- Minutes from February 1, 2010, regular meeting; and February 3 and February 8, 2010 special meeting;
- February 5, 2010, payroll direct deposits, checks, and benefits in the amount of \$226,657.98;
- Checks/Vouchers, numbers 19077-19160, in the amount of \$184,338.97;

Councilmember Whalen removed the checks and vouchers for brief discussion. Mayor Asay added it as Item H.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. AB10-017: Adopting Ordinance 17XX-10, amending Chapter 17 of the Municipal Code, revising the Zoning Code regarding gross and net density and bulk regulations.

Planner Chris Larson discussed the revisions requested by the council at a previous meeting. After further discussion, Mayor Asay stated the item will be brought to a future study session for further review.

Speaking before the Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Jacquelyn Whalen	1605 13 th Avenue	Clarify rear yard setback for all zones
Robert MacDonald	1308 15 th Avenue	Variables in lot size

B. AB10-021: Authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Makers Architecture, Planning, and Urban Design, for assistance in updating the City of Milton's Shoreline Master Program.

Speaking before the Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Jacquelyn Whalen	1605 13 th Avenue	Selection process for consultant
Rob MacDonald	1308 15 th Avenue	Requested a definition of a shoreline

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Makers Architecture, Planning, and Urban Design for assistance with updating the City of Milton's Shoreline Master Program, not to exceed the amount granted to the City from the Department of Ecology. Seconded by Councilmember Morton.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.

C. AB10-022: Approval of the City Administrator Employment Contract

MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Subir Mukerjee as the City Administrator of the City of Milton and approve the contract as negotiated. Seconded by Councilmember Morton.

There was discussion regarding the terms of the contract.

COUNCILMEMBER PERRY MOVED to amend Item 4 of the City Administrator contract regarding monthly vehicle allowance, from \$250 a month to \$125/month. Seconded by Councilmember Whalen.

Roll Call vote was taken resulting as follows:

Yes: Perry, Taylor, Whalen, Morton
No: Heddlesten, Ott, Sanderson

The motion passed 4 to 3.

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Rob MacDonald	1308 15 th Avenue	Public needs to be able to view the contract

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to table the agreement until the public is able to view the contract. Seconded by Councilmember Heddlesten.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Yes: Sanderson, Whalen, Heddlesten, Morton
No: Taylor, Ott, Perry

The motion passed 4 to 3.

D. AB10-023: Wellness Committee Discussion

Councilmember Sanderson provided Council with information about the AWC Wellness Incentive program. He stated that upon earning the Well City Award for 2010, the City of Milton would be eligible for a rebate of approximately \$10,000 from health insurance premiums

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to bring the wellness discussion back to Council after more information is provided. Seconded by Councilmember Ott.

Motion was voted on and carried 7-0.

E. AB10-019: Continued Discussion of Water Rate Structure

Finance Director Pierce provided information regarding the water rate structure and a comparison of the rates of various commercial residential properties.

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Rob MacDonald	1308 15 th Avenue	Remember that families are the ones required to pay the bills

Mayor Asay recessed the meeting at 8:38 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

F. 2010 Budget Discussion –

After discussion regarding allocation of funds to the General Fund from the utilities to pay for services provided to utilities, **COUNCILMEMBER SANDERSON MOVED** to require the Finance Department to make monthly interfund transfers. Seconded by Councilmember Whalen.

Motion passed 5 to 1 with Councilmember Perry abstaining.

G. Rules of conduct for council members during meetings

Councilmember Ott read a statement into the record regarding council member conduct at meetings.

After further discussion, Mayor Asay suggested bringing the discussion to the next study session for consideration.

H. Approval of Checks/Vouchers

COUNCILMEMBER WHALEN MOVED to approve the checks and vouchers. Seconded by Councilmember Morton.

The motion passed 7 to 0.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED to reconsider the tabling of the City Administrator contract. Seconded by Councilmember Perry.

Roll Call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Yes: Taylor, Morton, Ott, Perry

No: Whalen, Heddlesten, Sanderson

The motion passed 4 to 3.

Roll Call vote was taken regarding the motion made by Councilmember Whalen and seconded by Councilmember Ott to table the city administrator contract.

Yes: Whalen, Heddlesten, Sanderson

No: Morton, Ott, Perry, Taylor

The motion failed 3 to 4.

Mayor Asay recessed the meeting at 9:46 p.m. for 10 minutes and reconvened the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

AB10-022: Reconsideration of Approval of the City Administrator Employment Contract

MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Subir Mukerjee as the City Administrator of the City of Milton and approve the contract as amended. Seconded by Councilmember Morton.

Speaking before Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Jacquelyn Whalen	1605 13 th Avenue	City can't afford administrator

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Yes: Morton, Ott, Perry, Taylor

No: Heddlesten, Sanderson, Whalen

COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Councilmember Sanderson provided a written report;
2. Councilmember Ott reported on:
 - Attended workshop training in Tacoma for newly elected officials
 - Spoke with Lakewood councilmember; they are interested in receiving commemorative hats from Northwest Embroidery; would our Council be interested in donating hats?
 - Need to have vision for our city and development
 - Need to send someone to AWC's Drug and Alcohol training in March
3. Councilmember Taylor reported on:
 - Attended AWC elected officials workshop
4. Councilmember Heddlesten reported on:
 - State legislature talking about tax increase for citizens
5. Councilmember Perry reported on:
 - AWC elected officials workshop
 - Attended PSRC transportation/land use meeting
6. Councilmember Whalen reported on:
 - Impressed with Subir Mukerjee; not issue with him but with financial burden of position
 - Construction notice regarding the work on Milton Way
 - Comment from business owner regarding the widening of Meridian; Is there a way to keep dirt and dust down?
 - Is Albertson's a staging area for the Milton Way project?
7. Councilmember Morton reported on:
 - AWC training
 - Albertson's remodel

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Asay reported that there is now an intern in the Police Department. The intern will be working in the courts and police department for 150 hours.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Asay convened an Executive Session at 10:25 p.m. for 15 minutes to discuss union negotiations.

Mayor Asay reconvened the meeting at 10:40.

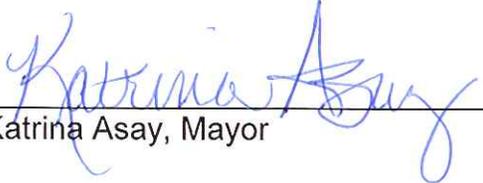
MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to authorize the Mayor to close City Hall and facilities for furlough days on dates agreed upon between the City and IBEW Local 483. Seconded by Councilmember Morton.

Motion was voted on and carried 6-1 (Whalen).

ADJOURNMENT

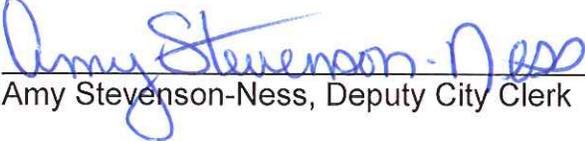
MAYOR PRO TEM TAYLOR MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 10:43 p.m. Councilmember Morton seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.



Katrina Asay, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Stevenson-Ness, Deputy City Clerk