



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Monday – August 17, 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, Police Chief Rhoads, Public Works Director Neal, Fire Chief Jaques, Finance Director Pierce, Senior Financial Analyst Tylor, and Deputy City Clerk Stevenson-Ness were present.

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

Mayor Asay moved the consent agenda to the end of the regular agenda; deleted Items 7B & C from the agenda; and moved the executive session to the end of the Mayor's report.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Speaking before the Council:

Speaker	Address	Topic
Ryan Lewis	1908 13 th Avenue	Fix road
Bryan Ott	102 17 th Avenue Ct	Comments about Milton Days Parade and Picnic
Carol Flower	2500 Alder Street	Mural

PUBLIC HEARING

2009-2010 Water and Electric Rate Increases

Interim City Administrator Fessler, Finance Director Pierce, Senior Financial Analyst Tylor, and Public Works Director Neal gave a staff report on water consumption rates, tiered rates, long range forecasting, and customer impact of a rate increase.

Mayor Asay recognized the following people to speak:

Speaker	Address
Bart Taylor	2500 Alder, #321
Debra Perry	1205 Hemlock
Bryan Ott	102 17 th Avenue Ct
Milton Loflin	1810 11 th Avenue
Jacquelyn Whalen	1605 13 th Avenue
Ryan Lewis	1908 13 th Avenue

Mayor Asay closed the public hearing at 7:52 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

AB 09-043 – Adoption of a resolution amending utility rates as set forth in Resolution 09-1768, Section IV; and adding language to allow for tiered rates for the water utility and allowing for an increase in water rates on September 1, 2009, and January 1, 2010; and allowing for an increase in electric rates on January 1, 2010; and providing for an effective date.

COUNCIL MEMBER BOREK MOVED that Resolution 09-1769, amending Resolution 09-1768, Section IV, be adopted to implement a schedule of rate increases for the water and electric utility during 2009 and 2010. Seconded by Council Member Neal

Roll-call vote was taken resulting as follows:

Ayes: 3 - Borek, Neal, Whalen
Nays: 4 - Beaudry, Drotz, Heddlesten, Sanderson

The motion failed.

It was requested that the utility rate increases be taken back to a study session to look at other options including furloughs and layoffs and asking the union to reopen the contract.

Mayor Asay recessed the meeting at 8:39 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBER BOREK MOVED to request IBEW Local 483 to reopen the union contract to discuss wage increases for 2010. Council Member Heddlesten seconded the motion.

Interim City Administrator Fessler stated that the majority of operating costs is labor and that some decrease in wages will have an impact but will not negate the impending deficit in the utilities.

Roll-call vote was taken resulting as follows:

Ayes: 4 - Borek, Heddlesten, Neal, Sanderson
Nays: 3 - Beaudry, Drotz, Whalen

The motion passed.

COUNCIL MEMBER DROTZ MOVED to reconsider resolution 09-1769 with the understanding that council would have the opportunity to go over the 2009 expenditure budget for the water department. Council Member Neal seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and passed 6-1.

COUNCIL MEMBER DROTZ MOVED to approve resolution 09-1769 amending Resolution 09-1768, Section IV, be adopted to implement a schedule of rate increases for the water and electric utility during 2009 and 2010. Council Member Borek seconded the motion.

COUNCIL MEMBER SANDERSON MOVED to table Resolution 09-1769 to the second meeting of September. Mayor Pro Tem Heddlesten seconded the motion.

Roll-call vote was taken resulting as follows:

Ayes: 4 - Beaudry, Heddlesten, Sanderson, Whalen
Nays: 3 - Borek, Drotz, Neal.

The motion passed.

AB 09-034 - Approval of an interlocal agreement with the City of Fife for current and long-range planning services.

COUNCIL MEMBER BOREK MOVED to authorize the Mayor to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Fife for current and long-range planning services. Mayor Pro Tem Heddlesten seconded the motion.

The motion passed 4-3

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the special meeting and regular meeting of June 15, 2009, the August 5, 2009, payroll, direct deposits, checks and benefits in the amount of \$240,810.05, and checks/vouchers, numbers 18166-18235, in the amount of \$82,724.95.

Mayor Asay requested the vouchers be removed from the consent agenda.

COUNCIL MEMBER BEAUDRY MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Council Member Drotz seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.

Mayor Asay provided information on the final payment for the centennial mural. She stated the scope of work changed and due to the extensive amount of work required, the amount of money to complete the project changed as well.

COUNCIL MEMBER BOREK MOVED to approve the vouchers. Council Member Sanderson seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and carried 6-1.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Interim City Administrator Fessler noted the items included in the report and had nothing additional to report.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Borek reported on:

- City should be proud to have such a fine fire department

Council Member Sanderson reported on:

- Tri-city council meeting discussion regarding the Teen-Scene after-hours program; would the council consider diverting funds from Paidion Youth Center to that program?

Council Member Neal reported on:

- Provided kudos for timeline and history of Milton

Council Member Whalen reported on:

- Requested minutes of advisory committees/board
- Amount of people on 10th praising workers
- Comments re: geotech stabilization
- When road was chipped and scraped, could have done a better job of sweeping

Mayor Pro Tem Heddleston reported on:

- Mural unveiling; very impressed; nice to see something that shows where the city came from
- Commend everyone involved with Milton Days; well enjoyed by everyone
- Finance Committee agenda – upset by a couple of things a)function and goals of finance committee b)future activities of finance committee functions and goals should be presented and approved by council;
- Please give more notice if the mayor pro tem is needed to act as an alternate on a committee.

Council Member Beaudry reported on:

- Make sure that city sends out thank you notes to people who volunteered their time;

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Council Member Drotz reported on:

- Most fun event at Milton Days was the trout pond
- Expressed her thanks to Lois Zaroudny for her work on the mural and expressed her disappointment that the cost of the mural was more than council was aware of but Lois's level of dedication to city is commendable.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Asay thanked Council Member Sanderson, Mayor Pro Tem Heddlesten, and Council Member Drotz for attending the unveiling of the mural. She also thanked Marian McGunagle for her work on the Parade and Picnic and Debbie Perry who stepped in to help with the chalk art contest and snacks.

Mayor Pro Tem Heddlesten suggested the city contact Mill Ridge Village to display the banner version of the mural.

Mayor Asay recessed the meeting at 9:48 p.m. for three minutes and announced that council will be convening into Executive Session to discuss property acquisitions pursuant to RCW 42.30.110.2(a) for 20 minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PER RCW 42.30.10.2(a) – Property Acquisition

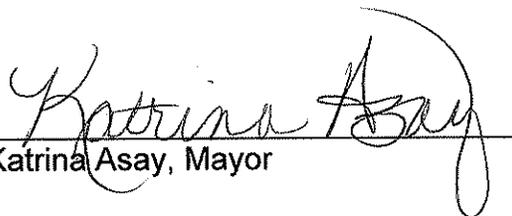
Mayor Asay convening into Executive Session at 9:51 p.m. to discuss property acquisitions for 20 minutes.

The regular meeting reconvened at 10:10 p.m.

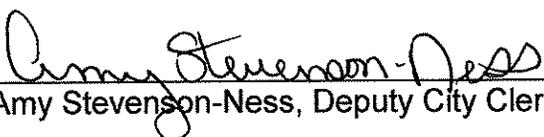
ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR PRO TEM HEDDLESTEN MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 p.m. Council Member Beaudry seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on and carried 7-0.


Katrina Asay, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amy Stevenson-Ness, Deputy City Clerk