



Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 20, 2017
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Perry called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:06 p.m., and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

- Present: Mayor Pro Tem Whalen, Councilmembers Ott, Morton, Boyle, Johnson and Manley
- Absent: Councilmember Bennest – **MOTION TO EXCUSE** (Whalen/Ott) – **Passed 6/0.**

STAFF PRESENT

Police Chief Hernandez, Public Works Director Peretti, City Engineer Howlett, and City Clerk Bolam

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Speaker	Comments
Deborah Holcombe (In writing – clerk read into record)	#1 – Request submitted for firetruck-friendly speed bumps for Taylor last fall with no response. Too many speeders! What is the status? #2 – Water quality is hard (lime?)
Debbie Marfiak	Speed bumps needed on 16th

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes – Approval of the minutes of:
1. March 7, 2016 – Regular Meeting
 2. March 13, 2016 – Special Meeting
- B. Claims Approval:
1. Approval of checks/vouchers numbered 60971-61037 in the amount of \$432,309.05.

2. Approval of the payroll disbursements of 2/20/2017, and related checks numbered 60958-60970 in the amount of \$179,544.93.

C. Proclamation – Pierce County READS

Mayor Pro Tem Whalen pulled Item C for a formal reading into the record.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Manley, to approve the Consent Agenda without Item C. **Passed 6/0.**

PIERCE COUNTY READS

Mayor Pro Tem Whalen read the proclamation into the record.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Ordinance 2nd Read – Water Utility Rate Increase

At 7:16 pm, the Public Hearing on the Water Utility Rate Increase was opened.

Speaker	Comments
Deborah Holcombe	Stated she doesn't mind the increase, as long as you get rid of the hard water.

At 7:19 pm, the Public Hearing was closed.

B. Ordinance 2nd Read – Electric Utility Rate Increase

At 7:19 pm, the Public Hearing on the Electric Utility Rate Increase was opened.

No comments.

At 7:20 pm the Public Hearing was closed.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. Ordinance 2nd Read – Water Utility Rate Increase

Director Peretti provided a brief overview of this ordinance. Council indicated support for this increase, wanting to avoid large increases.

MAYOR PRO TEM WHALEN MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Manley, to accept this as the second reading and adopt the attached Ordinance amending Sections 13.28.185, 13.28.195, and 13.28.230 of Milton Municipal Code; providing for severability, an effective date, and summary publication by Ordinance Title. **Passed 6/0.**

B. Ordinance 2nd Read – Electric Utility Rate Increase

Director Peretti provided a brief overview of this ordinance. Council indicated support for this increase, wanting to avoid large increases. Some concern expressed that CPI is not enough of an increase.

COUNCILMEMBER MANLEY MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Boyle, to accept this as the second reading and adopt the attached Ordinance amending Section 13.08.280 of Milton Municipal Code; providing for severability, an effective date, and summary publication by Ordinance title.

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, to amend the motion to add verbiage “and to review BPA’s rates once per year”.

Discussion ensued. **The amendment to the motion was voted on and passed 6/0.** (by roll call vote)

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

C. Ordinance 2nd Read – Electric Utility Net Metering

City Engineer Howlett provided an overview of this ordinance.

COUNCILMEMBER MANLEY MOVED, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Whalen, to accept this as a second read and approve the attached ordinance relating to net metering; amending section 13.08.010 and adding new sections 13.08.281 through 13.08.284 to Chapter 13.08 of the Milton Municipal Code; providing for severability, an effective date, and summary publication by ordinance title. **Passed 6/0.**

D. Purchase & Sole Source Approval – Eaton Power Systems Pad Mount 3 Phase VFI Switchgear

Public Works Director Peretti explained the need for this purchase.

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Boyle, to accept the Purchase Requisition and declare Sole Source status for Eaton Power Systems for the purchase of a Pad Mount 3 Phase VFI Switchgear.

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, to amend the motion to add “at an estimated cost of \$30,000”. **Passed 6/0.**

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

E. Contract Approval – E.L. Associates

Mayor Perry opened the floor to discussion. Council acknowledged the need to rely on professional services for economic development while choosing to not fill the Director position, calling it a valid use of resources.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Whalen, to approve the attached contract for services with E.L. Associates. **Passed 4/2** (Ott/Johnson, by roll call vote)

F. Contract Discussion/Approval – East Pierce Fire District

Chief Hernandez reviewed the draft documents. Some discussion ensued regarding the contract for services document, followed by a decision to concentrate only on the Lease Agreement for now.

MAYOR PRO TEM WHALEN MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to approve the attached Lease Agreement with EPFD.

Council commented that the lease agreement is a good step forward. Discussion regarding the effective date.

COUNCILMEMBER OTT MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to amend the motion to change the “Lease Commencement” date to April 1, 2017.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Ott, to amend the amended motion to change the Lease Commencement date to May 1, 2017.

Speaker	Comments
Jacquelyn Whalen	As you’re discussing the date – the way the document is currently structured, there’s a 6-month delay waiting for the June CPI to go into effect January. Also, regarding the May 1 date – just submit for January 1, 2017 in respect to all past problems.

The amendment to the amendment was voted on and failed 0/6.

The amendment to the main motion was voted on and failed 1/5 (Ott in favor).

Speaker	Comments
Jacquelyn Whalen	Applauds separating the lease agreement out. Regarding legal description and map, wonders if Council might want to consider parking, referring to a map included in the Bonney Lake agreement with East Pierce Fire District. Also, beginning monthly rent is \$2,070 – assessment from appraiser, dated January 2016, so it should now include last year’s CPI. Regarding use of premises – is Council okay with the assumptions regarding the use of premises?

COUNCILMEMBER MANLEY MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to amend the motion to remove the words “approximately 6,212 SF of space and” from the “Premises” definition of the Agreement.

Speaker	Comments
Jacquelyn Whalen	The word “approximately” removes concern over exact square feet. Making assumption that the fact that City Hall’s address being the same is not a concern.

The amendment to the motion was voted on and passed 5/1 (Whalen).

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

G. Discussion Item – Edgewood Water Franchise Agreement

City Engineer Howlett explained this requested agreement by the City of Edgewood. Discussion ensued.

STAFF REPORTS

Chief Hernandez

- Police Foundation dinner this week

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Johnson

- Glad to see the donation from DM Disposal
- Regarding ST3 – sent email to state representative and heard back – encourages everyone to write to representatives

Councilmember Ott

- Bill at legislature now to exempt some jurisdictions from the ST3 car tab fee
- Looking forward to Police Foundation dinner
- Ever more traffic through Milton
- Shout out to Richard Cosner for the crime watch program he is spearheading

Councilmember Boyle

- Attended PCRC meeting last week – included “healthy planning” and “zoo improvements”
- Looking forward to Police Foundation dinner

Councilmember Manley

- Concern over the ST3 tabs

Mayor Pro Tem Whalen

- Compensation level for Chief Hernandez – would like to have a discussion to increase pay range by \$20,000 (seconded by Councilmember Ott)
- Milton Way street cut concern

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Thanks to Mayor Pro Tem for recent coverage
- Recent meetings regarding a major developer potentially locating in Milton

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



Debra Perry, Mayor

ATTEST:



Katie Bolam, City Clerk