



**Regular Meeting –via Zoom meeting # 880 6279 5824
Monday, July 6, 2020
6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Styron Sherrell called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Johnson, Peretti, Gillespie, Morton, Linden and Whalen.

Absent: Whitaker

MOTION (Johnson/Whalen) “to excuse Councilmember Whitaker from tonight’s meeting.”
Passed (6/0)

STAFF PRESENT

Police Chief Hernandez, Public Works Director Afzali, Finance Director Robbecke and City Clerk Trisha Summers. City Attorney Scott Snyder joined in for item 6F.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

Councilmember Linden would like to add discussion about adopting Juneteenth by either resolution or proclamation. Item is added as 6G

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were two public comments sent in via email regarding item 6F of tonight’s agenda. The two public comments were from 1) Kevin Ringus and 2) Jacki Strader. See full comments attached.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Check Approval Process

- a. Minutes Approval:
 - i. June 15, 2020 Regular Meeting
- b. Claims Approval:
 - i. Approval of the checks/vouchers/disbursements numbered 67155 to 67237 in the amount of \$435,431.68.
 - ii. Approval of the payroll disbursement of June 19, 2020 in the amount of \$186,284.96.

MOTION (Morton/Peretti) "to approve the Consent Agenda." **Passed 6/0.**

REGULAR AGENDA

A. King County – City of Milton IGA

Public Works Director Afzali presented this item to council. The city annexed in the Hill Creek/Regency Woods neighborhood in 2019. The time has come for the city to take ownership of three ponds, one tank/swale, one wetland overflow and three tanks that have been annexed in this area. The county will no longer be charging the fee and the city will take over charging the customer the drainage fee.

MOTION (Johnson/Whalen) "to authorize the Mayor to sign the Intergovernmental Land Transfer Agreement between King County and the City of Milton for the transfer of drainage facilities, properties and easements concerning the Hill Creek/Regency Woods annexation." **Passed 6/0**

B. Resolution 20-1931 to set Public Hearing for 380th vacation

Public Works Director Afzali presented this item. The city has received a petition and an appraisal to vacation of right of way along South 380th street. As per MMC, the city will receive, from the adjacent property owner's, payment of the full appraised value of the vacated property. The city is required to set a public hearing for this vacation by resolution.

MOTION (Johnson/Linden) "I move to pass a Resolution setting a public hearing for August 3, 2020 as described by RCW 35.79.020 for vacating the right of way of South 380th Street in the City of Milton." **Passed 6/0**

C. Resolution 20-1932 Mayor/Council Vacancy

Mayor Styron Sherrell presented this item to council. This policy was created in 2010 and needs updating. As discussed at the Council retreat this Spring, the policy has been updated per council's suggestions.

MOTION (Johnson/Whalen) "I move adopt the attached Resolution 20-1932, updating the policy for filling vacant Mayor or Councilmember positions."

MOTION (Johnson/Peretti) "I move to withdraw my motion to approve the attached Resolution 20-1932."

After discussion, Council had a few more edits to the policy and would like it to come back to the study session for further review.

D. Vehicle Purchase Replacement for #16

Finance Director Robbecke presented this item to council. This vehicle purchase is to replace a 1998 Chevrolet C1500 truck that has reached the end of its useful life. The vehicle has been budgeted for in the 2020 Asset Replacement and Capital Improvement fund budget. This vehicle will primarily be used by the city's mechanic.

Council commented that this was a good purchase and that it's time!

MOTION (Morton/Peretti) "I move to approve the purchase of a 2019 Ram 1500 truck through the State of Washington contract in an amount not to exceed \$34,555 for a replacement vehicle for the Public Works Shop and authorize the Mayor to sign all documents necessary to execute the purchase." **Passed 6/0**

E. Washington State Department of Commerce Grant

Finance Director Robbecke presented this item to council. Governor Inslee directed the Washington State Department of Commerce to release a portion of the funds available to the state through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES act). This included an aware of \$237,900 to the City of Milton. Funds are to be used for specific COVID-19 expenditures that were not budgeted for and are necessary expenditures incurred due to the pandemic.

Council commented that they were happy to be able to recoup some of the costs related to COVID-19.

MOTION (Linden/Morton) "I move to accept an aware of \$237,900 from the Local Government Coronavirus Relief Fund administered by the Washington State Department of Commerce and authorize the Mayor to sign all documents necessary to execute the interagency agreement."
Passed 6/0

F. Mayor Salary Study

Police Chief Hernandez and Finance Director Robbecke presented this item to council. This item is coming to council after a request from Councilmember Morton was presented at the May 18, 2020 regular council meeting. The council was presented with data compiled by City Clerk/HR Trisha Summers from other cities ranging in population from 1000-14,999 showing what a Mayor is paid in those cities and what a City Administrator is paid in cities in that same population.

The current Mayor has been acting as the City Administrator in the absence of one since April 2019. The Mayor has not been compensated accordingly for the work she has been performing full time. The Mayor is involved with every aspect of the city on a daily basis. Staff is suggesting an increase in the Mayor's compensation and also asking for an increase for the Mayor due to the duties she is performing currently. The combined amount staff is recommending is \$93,700 plus benefits.

Council instructed staff to gather more information on each of the cities presented. Council would like to know geographic size, number of employees and utilities those cities own. Staff was instructed to bring additional information to the July 13th study session.

G. Juneteenth Discussion

Councilmember Linden spoke about his desire to do either a proclamation or resolution for the acknowledge of Juneteenth. In light of recent events, Mr. Linden feels like now is the time for the City of show their support to the African American community.

Councilmembers expressed their thanks to Councilmember Linden for bringing the topic up and instructed staff to gather samples of Juneteenth proclamations and resolutions and bring for discussion to the study session on July 20th.

MOTION (Johnson/Linden) "I move to bring the Juneteenth discussion item back to study session for further review based on information provided by staff on July 13, 2020." **Passed 6/0**

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Linden -

- Nothing to add

Councilmember Johnson-

- There are eagles flying all over the neighborhood.
- Looking forward to update on fireworks.

Councilmember Gillespie-

- Nothing to add

Councilmember Morton-

- The fireworks this year and the worst I have heard in years.

Councilmember Peretti-

- Would like to hear the fireworks update

Councilmember Whalen -

- Fireworks were bad this year. Maybe next year we could give a phone number out for people to report in to.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Tony Hernandez, Police Chief-

- Pulled the CAD report and for the Fourth of July there were 15 fireworks calls and none to the same address. Council may want to review code because the fireworks change and evolve over the years. Fireworks that you may think are only for the ground have been made to go high in the air. There were only 12 fireworks calls last year so it wasn't that much worse this year.
- Continuing to see hit and run, property crime, etc. If you see something say something.

Nick Afzali, Public Works Director-

- We will be cold patching on 28th.
- We are hiring a contractor for hot patch overlay work.
- Applying for a grant to help with highway improvements and should know something by November.
- Congrats to Dustin Sloan for passing his WTPO exam and getting his certification!

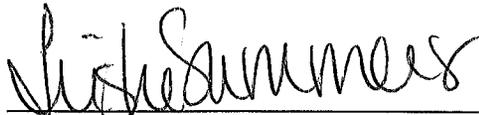
MAYOR'S REPORT

- OPMA expires tomorrow. Stay tuned about how we will continue to meet.
- There is an opening on Civil Service Commission.
- Congrats to Nick Afzali for 1 year with the City of Milton.
- The sack lunch drive thru program is happening on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12-1pm.
- The mask order starts tomorrow. We are all tired of being in Phase 2! Please do your part and wear your mask as much as you are comfortable so we can progress to the next level.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

ATTEST:



City Clerk



Shanna Styron Sherrell, Mayor

