

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 12, 2009  
7:00 P.M.

MINUTES



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I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Neil Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. Flag Salute – Mayor Johnson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call: [A 1.3]

City Clerk Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr., elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Swatman, Councilmember David Bowen, Councilmember Laurie Carter, Councilmember Dan Decker, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Dave King and Councilmember Jim Rackley.

[Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Police Chief Mike Mitchell, Community Development Director John Vodopich, Public Works Director Dan Grigsby, Community Services Director Gary Leaf, City Attorney Jim Dionne, Administrative Services Director/ City Clerk Harwood Edvalson and Records & Information Specialist Susan Duis.]

C. Announcements, Appointments and Presentations: [A 3.6.9]

1. Announcements: None.

2. Appointments: None.

3. Presentations:

a. Proclamation—National Public Works Week – May 17 – 23, 2009.

Mayor Johnson read the proclamation aloud and presented it to Public Works Crew Leader Curt Roundtree. Assistant Public Works Director Charlie Simpson and Transportation Supervisor Steve Willadson were also in attendance.

D. Agenda Modifications:

**Deputy Mayor Swatman moved to add a Motion of the City Council to Cancel the May 19, 2009 Workshop to Full Council Issues, Item C. Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

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II. **PUBLIC HEARINGS, CITIZEN COMMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:**

A. Public Hearings: None. [A 3.6.12]

B. Citizen Comments: [A 1.5]

Raymond Frey, 12356 Northup Way, Bellevue, of Halsen Frey LLC, Greenwood and Eastown LLC, gave an update on the downtown Greenwood Development project. He said they are close to an agreement with the City on credits and have submitted their signed agreement to the City for signatures. He said permits for the first phase of construction, a 21 unit building on the North part of the property, should be submitted soon. He said they have secured funding and construction on the project could start within a couple of weeks. Phase 2 of the project, including residential townhomes and flats in the center of the property, could begin in August. Both buildings should be ready and available for rent next year.

George Brown, 18313 Old Sumner-Buckley Hwy, Bonney Lake, owns Thian Thai restaurant and explained there has been an issue with water pooling in the parking lot in the past couple of months. He said the City checked for a possible water main break but found no issues with the main. He said it seems most likely that the water is coming from the property just above his, and noted that the City recently created a new parking area behind the Public Safety Building. He said the ground in that area is hard pan and water cannot seep into the soil. He said he has not seen the environmental study for the parking area but feels certain that this is the source of the water now coming onto his property. He noted it is a new issue and they are concerned about standing water in the lot and under the building. Mayor Johnson said he is aware of the issue and staff are researching the problem, and he would let the Council know what they find out.

C. Correspondence: None. [A 1.2]

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### III. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS: [A 3.6.4]

- A. Finance Committee: Deputy Mayor Swatman said the committee met at 5:30 p.m. earlier in the evening and forwarded Resolution 1945 and 1946 to a future Council Meeting. Also discussed were civil fines for mandatory garbage service, a proposed sub-meter ordinance, and outstanding accounts receivables and collection options.
- B. Community Development Committee: Councilmember Rackley said the committee met on May 4, 2009 and forwarded Resolution 1942 to the Consent Agenda.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember King said the committee has not met since the last Council Meeting. The committee meets next on June 1, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- D. Other Reports:
- Puget Sound Regional Council  
Councilmember Rackley attended the PSRC meeting on April 30, 2009. The group elected new officers and approved the 2010-11 budget and some bylaw changes.
- Communities for Families  
Councilmember Carter attended the Communities for Families meeting in early May. The high school needs people to judge senior projects; Mayor Johnson is judging on May 20, 2009. She said opportunities for youth including jobs, Police Explorers, and

scholarships, are currently available. She encouraged anyone interested in these opportunities to contact the school district for more information.

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**IV. CONSENT AGENDA:** [A 3.6]

- A. **Accounts Payable Checks/Vouchers:** Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #55341 thru 55403 in the amount of \$455,778.03; Accounts Payable checks/voucher #55404 for a utility refund in the amount of \$58.92; Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #55405 thru 55492 (including wire transfer #'s 4282009 & 24915127) in the amount of \$262,502.96; and Accounts Payable checks/voucher #55493 for a utility refund in the amount of \$61.17.
- B. **Approval of Payroll:** Payroll for April 16-30, 2009 for checks 28173-28201 including Direct Deposits and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$ 539,716.02.
- C. **AB09-77 – Resolution 1942 –** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing a Water Developer Extension Agreement with Bonlak Investment LLC for the Bonney Lake Self Storage Development.

**Councilmember Rackley moved to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Councilmember Bowen seconded the motion.**

**Consent Agenda  
approved 7 - 0.**

**V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES:** None.

**VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ISSUES:** None.

**VII. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ISSUES:** None.

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**VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES:**

- A. **AB09-78 – Resolution 1943 –** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing the City to Electronically Submit a Grant Proposal to the United States Department of Justice Edward Bryne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program.

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve Resolution 1943. Councilmember King seconded the motion.**

Police Chief Mitchell explained that this is a law enforcement fund grant. A portion of the \$26,000 grant will be used to upgrade Municipal Court clerk monitors to be used with e-ticketing, and remaining funds will be used for the 800 MHz system.

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

- B. **AB09-81** – A Motion of the Bonney Lake City Council Adding the Issue of View Protection to the 2009 Planning Commission Workplan as a Low Priority Item.

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve the motion. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.**

Deputy Mayor Swatman said he has spoken with Planning Commissioners about the item. He said he feels it is a low priority item and there are other items that have higher priority on the Commissions list. Councilmembers discussed what a View Protection ordinance might cover. Mayor Johnson said it would address current and future developments, including those on slopes where views can be changed by trimming or planting trees, etc. He said the Planning Commission would review the issues and options, and determine whether this is something that should be regulated by the Municipal Code or not.

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

- C. **AB09-85** – A Motion of the Bonney Lake City Council Cancelling the May 19, 2009 Council Workshop.

**Councilmember Rackley moved to approve the motion. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.**

This item was added to the agenda during agenda modifications. Deputy Mayor Swatman noted the projected agenda has one item for discussion at the workshop, a change to the SEPA code, which is not time sensitive. Councilmember Hamilton expressed concern about cancelling Council Workshops even when there was very little business. He said the open discussions held at workshops are important, and citizens expect the Council to meet for the regularly scheduled Meetings and Workshops. He asked if there was any cost savings for not holding a Workshop when there is little business to discuss. Councilmembers noted that staff attend workshops, but it does not affect their pay. Councilmember Rackley noted that the City does pay for the City Attorney to attend all workshops. City Attorney Dionne said his office has drafted a proposed ordinance for procedures to cancel workshops, and these issues will come up in discussions of the draft ordinance.

Mayor Johnson noted that he cannot attend the May 19, 2009 Workshop due to a work commitment, which was another potential reason to cancel it. Councilmember King said the cancellation of the May 5 Workshop and this proposed cancellation do not constitute a trend of cancelling Council meetings. He agreed with Councilmember Hamilton that the Council should hold meetings and workshops as scheduled, but the Council should be able to consider cancelling meetings on a case by case basis on the rare occasion where there is not much business. He said the agenda will start filling up again soon as there are items that will come forward soon. Councilmember Carter noted that the Council will likely need to cancel a regular meeting in June when several councilmembers are attending the AWC conference.

**Motion approved 6 – 1.  
Councilmember Hamilton  
voted no.**

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

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**X. ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:33 p.m. Councilmember Rackley moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.

Motion approved 6- 1.  
Deputy Mayor Swatman  
voted no.



Harwood Edvalson, CMC  
City Clerk



Neil Johnson  
Mayor

*Items submitted to the Council Meeting of May 12, 2009: None.*