

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

September 22, 2009  
7:00 P.M.

**MINUTES**



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**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

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

B. Roll Call:

City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Johnson, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan 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, Public Works Director Dan Grigsby, Police Chief Mike Mitchell, Community Services Director Gary Leaf, Planning Manager Heather Stinson, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Administrative Services Director/ City Clerk Harwood Edvalson and City Attorney Jim Dionne.]

C. Announcements, Appointments and Presentations:

1. Announcements:

Mayor Johnson said a Special Council Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 26, 2009 at 12:30 p.m. for one hour at the Bonney Lake Senior Center, where the Council will meet with Congressman Dave Reichert. He said since there is limited time available to talk with the Congressman, the meeting will be in workshop format with Councilmembers asking questions. He asked citizens to submit their questions to their Councilmembers or Executive Assistant Brian Hartsell prior to the meeting. He said if citizens wanted to invite the Congressman back for a district meeting where citizens could ask questions, they should let him know.

2. Appointments: None.

3. Presentations: None.

D. Agenda Modifications: None.

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

A. Public Hearings: None.

B. Citizen Comments:

Keith Proctor, 29603 137<sup>th</sup> St Ct E, Buckley, is the chair of the AFSCME labor union and said they have been working on the furlough resolution with the Mayor. He said the union has some concerns, but has worked hard to find solutions with the Mayor,

City Administrator and Human Resources Officer. The AFSCME union is meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2009 to vote on the Memorandum of Understanding that Council is considering tonight as Resolution 1973. He said his group is concerned about potential lay-offs and he hopes the Council will take into consideration the work the union has done if lay-offs become necessary in the future. Mayor Johnson said the AFSCME group has been very proactive to get things done and he appreciates their attitude and work ethic.

C. Correspondence: None.

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### III. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance Committee: Deputy Mayor Swatman said the committee met at 5:30 p.m. earlier in the evening and discussed Resolution 1971 (Sumner Interlocal); reviewed minutes, and Resolution 1973 (AFSCME memorandum of understanding).
- B. Community Development Committee: Councilmember Rackley said the committee met on September 14, 2009 and discussed a City pea patch, water availability on the Reed property, and options for a utility latecomer's agreement in Eastown. Public Works Director Dan Grigsby has scheduled a meeting with Eastown property owners on Thursday, September 24, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the Public Safety Building. The Committee moved AB09-147 to this evenings agenda and Resolutions 1967 and 1968, AB09-144 and AB09-145 to the October 13, 2009 Meeting consent agenda.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Hamilton said the committee met on September 14, 2009 and discussed revisions to the park ordinance. The Police Department will review the revised ordinance and then forward it to the Council. Assistant Fire Chief McDonald spoke about possible fire suppression requirements for new single-family homes. The committee also forwarded a proclamation for Domestic Violence Month to the October 13, 2009 Council Meeting.
- D. Other Reports:
- Rainier Cable Commission: Councilmember Rackley attended the RCC meeting on September 16, 2009. The dues for next year will be reduced by 75%, which will save the City of Bonney Lake about \$15,000.
- Pierce County Regional Council: Councilmember Rackley attended the PCRC meeting on September 17, 2009, which included a public hearing on amendments to the comprehensive plan.
- Beautify Bonney Lake: Councilmember Carter said over 500 people participated in the annual event for Beautify Bonney Lake on September 19, 2009. She thanked all the students, employees and residents who took part. Councilmember King asked the Mayor and BBL for a more formal report on the activities and participants so suitable recognition can be made for everyone who participated, including City staff members. He said he wished the event could happen twice a year. Mayor Johnson said he would ask for a full report and said he would definitely discuss the possibility of having more than one event a year. He thanked everyone for taking part,

particularly Lillian McGinnis and Gary Leaf. Councilmember Rackley said he worked with a team of kids who live in the valley and they did a great job.

Mayor Johnson said that one person had signed up to speak on the Consent Agenda, and should have been given time to speak during Citizen Comments. He invited Michael Corliss to speak on Consent Agenda Item C., Ordinance D09-120.

Michael Corliss, 1302 Puyallup St, Sumner, gave Councilmembers copies of a presentation on multi-family sewer SDC rates. He thanked the Mayor and Council for the work they have done on SDC charges to reduce charges for smaller apartments. His presentation shows the difference between a 4,000 square foot house versus a 500 square foot apartment, where the cost of construction is 14% for apartments but only 1% for a house. He said the average home size in Bonney Lake is about 2,250 square feet. He calculated that \$4 per square foot for SDC rates would generate the same revenues for the City and be more equitable.

Councilmembers asked if the proposed ordinance will make building smaller units more attractive, and how Bonney Lake compares with other cities. Mr. Corliss said the proposed ordinance computes to about \$6 per square foot for apartments, which is still a higher burden for multi-family units and is still about 2 times higher than nearby cities like Sumner and Puyallup. He said the reduction helps and he appreciates the Council's work but feels a lower per-square-foot rate would be more appropriate. Councilmember Hamilton expressed frustration that Bonney Lake's rates are higher than Sumner's even though both cities use the same sewer treatment plant and are supposed to share those costs evenly. Councilmember King noted that the proposed ordinance was revised at the previous workshop to lower per-bedroom rates, so Mr. Corliss' calculations may need to be revised as well.

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#### IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. **Approval of Minutes:** September 1, 2009 Workshop and September 8, 2009 Meeting.
- B. **Approval of Accounts Payable Checks/Vouchers:** Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #56740 thru 56779 in the amount of \$192,268.43. Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #56780 thru 56781 for A/R refunds in the amount of \$955.14. Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #56782 for a Utility refund in the amount of \$185.60.
- C. **AB09-120 – Ordinance 1333 –** An Ordinance of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Chapters 13.12.010, 13.12.100, and 13.12.105 of the Bonney Lake Municipal Code and Ordinance Nos. 1230; 1221; 1207; 1094; 1083; 968; 919; 787; 571c; and 561 Relating to the Calculation of Sewer System Development Charges.
- D. **AB09-137 – Resolution 1963 –** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Appropriate Paperwork Securing the Grant Monies from the State of Washington Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Grant Program.

- E. **AB09-139 – Resolution 1965** – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing an Agreement with Qwest in the Amount of \$253.80 per Month and One-Time Install Fee in the Amount of \$680.00 for a Minimum Subscriber Service Term of 36 Months with Term Beginning on Date of Service Installation October 1st, 2009.
- F. **AB09-140 – Resolution 1966** – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing an Agreement with Netversant to Install 6-Strand Single Mode Fiber Optical Cable from City Hall to the Public Safety Building and 6-Strange Single Mode Fiber Optical Cable from City Hall to the Allan Yorke Park Public Radio Sheiter for \$52,127.27.
- G. **AB09-142** – A Motion of the Bonney Lake City Council Adopting the Proposed Technical Corrections to the 2008 and 2009 City Council Minutes.
- H. **AB09-147** – A Motion of the Bonney Lake City Council Authorizing the City to Submit an Application for a Puget Sound Energy and/or Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant.

**Councilmember Rackley made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

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**V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES:**

- A. **AB09-149 – Resolution 1971** – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Sumner for Temporary Project Management/Inspection Services.

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve Resolution 1971. Councilmember Bowen Seconded the motion.**

City Administrator Morrison said Sumner asked Bonney Lake for assistance on a couple of large projects and staff have the time and expertise, so the agreement is mutually beneficial.

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

- B. **AB09-152 – Resolution 1973** – A Resolution of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing Mayor Johnson to Sign a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Bonney Lake and the AFSCME Local #120 Union.

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve Resolution 1971. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.**

Human Resources Officer Jenna Young said the proposed resolution would allow a furlough program for the AFSCME Local #120 Union. She said the MOU provides that all union members would take six furlough days and could take additional days

up to twelve days maximum. The process is similar to the recently adopted ordinance for non-represented employees. Mayor Johnson said this item is part of the City's budget savings package. He thanked AFSCME for their leadership and coming forward to work with the City. Councilmember Rackley also thanked the union for their support and said it will not be forgotten if additional action is required.

Deputy Mayor Swatman said the Finance Committee has reviewed the budget for a long time and the City must cut costs. He said it's a smart move for AFSCME to fully participate and keep all options on the table, and he appreciates it. Councilmember King said it is important to note that Council does not take this measure lightly. He said the City is trying to understand the needs of employees and the community, and the last thing they want to do is go backwards with layoffs or other stern measures that detract from the City's excellent team of employees. He said if the economy continues to worsen more stern measures may be needed, but he thinks layoffs should be a last resort. He said he wants to be sure the City continues to provide the essential services that citizens deserve.

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

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

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

**VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES:** None.

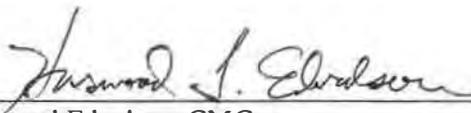
**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

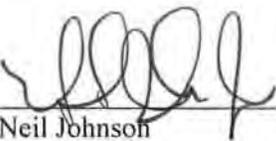
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**X. ADJOURNMENT:**

**At 7:30 p.m. Councilmember Rackley moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Carter seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

  
Harwood Edvalson, CMC  
City Clerk

  
Neil Johnson  
Mayor

*Items submitted to the Council Meeting of September 22, 2009:*

- Investco Financial Corporation – *Multi-Family Sewer SDC Rates Presentation* – Michael Corliss.