

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**August 10, 2010  
7:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**



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**Location:** City Hall Council Chambers, 19306 Bonney Lake Blvd., Bonney Lake.

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. 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:

Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Johnson, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Laurie Carter, Councilmember Dan Decker, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember Randy McKibbin and Councilmember Jim Rackley.

[Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Police Chief Mike Mitchell, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, 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:

1. Announcements: None.
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: None.

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 personnel updates, minutes, the WCIA audit, Resolution 2063, and continuation of washer and toilet rebate programs. The committee recommended that staff consider the costs and benefits of contracting for

alarm management services. Staff reported that a potential tenant is looking at leasing space in the Interim Justice Center. He said a special budget workshop will be held later this month.

- B. Community Development Committee: Councilmember Rackley said the committee met on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and forwarded Resolution 2056 and Resolution 2062 to the current agenda. The committee forwarded AB10-137 (artwork on retaining walls) to the August 17<sup>th</sup> workshop.
- C. Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Hamilton said the committee met on August 2, 2010. Residents James & Teresa McClemmons spoke to the committee about vandalism in the Lake Jane Estates neighborhood. Chief Mitchell said the department is gathering information and reminded citizens to call if they see suspicious activity in their neighborhoods. The committee plans to consider a bicycle helmet ordinance, which the City does not currently have, and will forward Ordinances D10-134 and D10-135 to a future Council meeting. Councilmember Decker expressed concern about a recent 9-1-1 call. Councilmember Hamilton said the City received a donation of weapons from the family of a former Pierce County sheriff who passed away, and the Police Department hopes to accept the donated items. He said the committee continues to review Municipal Code Chapters 6 and 8.
- D. Other Reports:

Community Events: Councilmember Carter said National Night Out was on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and was a great event. She also attended the Communities for Families event in August and heard a presentation from the Pierce County-Tacoma Health Department, about focusing on safety for children and youth. She said the annual Relay for Life was held on July 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, and the City received a certificate of appreciation for being a Gold Sponsor. She said the Bonney Lake Relay for Life group will continue their fundraising efforts at upcoming City events.

Pierce Transit: Mayor Johnson attended the Pierce Transit board meeting on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Topics included contracts for paratransit vehicles, Sound Transit updates, and plans for future discussion of cuts within Pierce Transit, with a focus on maintaining the current level of service. He encouraged others to attend meetings, noting that few people from the communities come to board meetings.

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#### IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. **Accounts Payable Checks/Vouchers**: Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #59130 thru 59180 in the amount of \$69,656.58. Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #59181 for a hydrant meter deposit refund in the amount of \$500.00. Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #59182 for a utility refund in the amount of \$617.78. Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #59183 thru 59243 in the amount of \$118,059.80 Accounts Payable checks/vouchers #59244 thru 59274 for utility refunds in the amount of \$2,766.03.

- B. ~~AB10-132 - Resolution 2062~~ - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Awarding the 199th Avenue Court E Sanitary Sewer Project to Slead LLC. *Moved to Full Council Issues, Item B.*

Deputy Mayor Swatman asked that Resolution 2062 be moved to Full Council Issues, Item B., for discussion.

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

**Consent Agenda approved as amended 7 – 0.**

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**V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ISSUES:**

- A. **AB10-133 - Resolution 2063** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington Authorizing the Mayor to Surplus Vehicles to the State of Washington, General Administration (GA) Surplus Program.

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve Resolution 2063. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

**Resolution 2063 approved 7 – 0.**

- B. **AB10-138 - Resolution 2064** - A Resolution Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Rescinding Resolution No. 2050, Relating To The Proposed Annexation Of A Portion Of The Comprehensive Urban Growth Area (CUGA).

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve Resolution 2064. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

**Resolution 2064 approved 6 – 1. Councilmember Carter voted no.**

- C. **AB10-139 - Resolution 2065** - A Resolution Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Declaring A Proposed Annexation To Be In The Best Interest And General Welfare Of The City And Calling For An Election In The Territory Proposed For Annexation.

**Councilmember Lewis moved to approve Resolution 2065. Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.**

Deputy Mayor Swatman said Resolution 2050 included language that residents in annexed areas will incur any indebtedness of the City upon annexation, but the City will not have any indebtedness by the time the annexation goes through. He said the language has a negative connotation and could be confusing to voters, and he supports removing this language in the revised version being proposed.

Councilmember Carter said other Washington cities that have held recent annexation elections have included language about indebtedness in their annexation resolutions.

She said the annexation could be approved by voters, but end up delayed by the Boundary Review Board or in the courts. She said that if a park bond or other new debt is approved in the meantime, people in the annexed areas will not be required to pay on the newly incurred indebtedness if the language is removed. Councilmember Hamilton said exempting annexed areas from incurring indebtedness is not fair to existing residents. Deputy Mayor Swatman said he does not support annexations that do not impose indebtedness, but there is no issue of ongoing indebtedness for this annexation. He said he does not believe the Council would consider placing a bond on the ballot if an annexation was delayed in the courts, either.

**Councilmember Decker moved to table the item to the next Workshop for discussion. The motion died for lack of a second.**

Deputy Mayor Swatman said the issue is time-sensitive and the Council should have a full discussion at this time. In response to a question from Councilmember McKibbin, City Attorney Dionne confirmed that the Council can take action at a later date to withdraw or appeal an annexation decision by the Boundary Review Board, if it chooses.

**Resolution 2065 approved 6 – 1.  
Councilmember Hamilton voted no.**

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

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

**VIII. FULL COUNCIL ISSUES:**

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- A. **AB10-122 - Resolution 2056 - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake Pierce County, Washington, Adopting A Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (2011-2016).**

**Councilmember Decker moved to approve Resolution 2056. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.**

Director Grigsby said this yearly item qualifies projects for State funding. Councilmember Carter asked whether the proposed transportation study will be removed from the list if the CUGA areas are not annexed. Director Grigsby said this is a city-wide transportation update, not just for the CUGA, and is important to help the City get certification for future projects. Director Grigsby also explained that as the City works on intersection improvements, sidewalks will be installed as well.

City Administrator Morrison noted that the transportation plan needs to be updated, but it will likely not begin until the annexation process is complete so newly annexed areas can be included.

**Resolution 2056 approved 7 – 0.**

- B. **AB10-132 - Resolution 2062** - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Awarding the 199th Avenue Court E Sanitary Sewer Project to Slead LLC. (Moved from Consent Agenda, Item B.)

**Councilmember Rackley moved to approve Resolution 2062. Councilmember Decker seconded the motion.**

Director Grigsby said this is a continuation of the City’s septic system reduction program, which started with a project in Kelly Creek. He said four residents have hooked up to City sewer since that project was completed. Deputy Mayor Swatman questioned whether the proposed project area will offer a good return on investment, and expressed concern about budget pressures and requests from staff to increase sewer rates. He said he would be more comfortable if the City required residents to hook up to sewer within a specific time period. He suggested that other areas are better candidates for this type of project.

Councilmember Rackley spoke in support of the proposed project. Councilmember Carter said the project is located near Fennel Creek, where the City and State are working to reduce fecal coliform levels. Councilmember Lewis said he supports the project and noted that Marianne Betzer, a member of the Fennel Creek Preservation Group, lives in the project area. Director Grigsby said the septic reduction program addresses environmental concerns, and the proposed area is less costly to provide sewer to than others that will need costly improvements like lift stations.

Councilmember Hamilton agreed that the code needs to be strengthened to require residents to hook up to sewer faster. Director Grigsby said residents must connect to the system when the property is sold. Councilmember Rackley said the Council can consider revising the code. He said sufficient SDC funds are available to expand the system now, and as more people hook up the system gets cheaper for everyone.

**Resolution 2062 approved 7 – 0.**

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

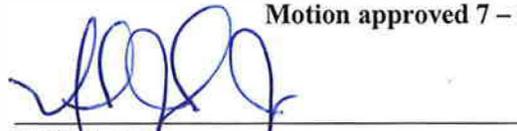
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**X. ADJOURNMENT:**

**At 7:45 p.m., Councilmember Lewis moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 7 – 0.**

  
 Harwood Edvalson, CMC  
 City Clerk

  
 Neil Johnson  
 Mayor

*Items submitted to the Council Meeting of August 10, 2010: None.*