



BUCKLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

June 10, 2009

Multi-Purpose Center, 811 Main Street

City Council Meeting

Opening 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call of Council Members

Next Ordinance #08-09
Next Resolution #09-09
Next Agenda Bill #AB09-52

Committee Reports

1. Admin & Finance
2. Public Safety
3. Building & Zoning
4. Utilities
5. Streets, Sidewalks & Storm Drains
6. Parks & Rec & Cemetery
7. Community Services
8. Mayor's Report:
9. Staff Reports:

Ramsey
Barrett
Twardoski
McNally
Patson
Montgomery
Reed
Johnson

Citizen Participation

Time Limit of Five Minutes (Must sign up at City Hall by Wednesday prior to the Council Meeting)

10. Ron Callis, Buckley Chamber of Commerce: Street Closures for Logger Days
11. Bill Hinkle, Pyramid Development, LLC: Impact Fees and Senior/Low Income Housing Development Regulations

Main Agenda

12. RES No. __ - 09: Amending Taxes, Rates & Fees Schedule
13. Equipment Purchase: Replacement of City Snowplow

Consent Agenda

14. A. Approve Minutes of May 26, 2009
- B. Claims
- C. Transfer Voucher
- D. Payroll

Council may add and take action on other items not listed on this agenda

City Council
June 10, 2009

Mayor Johnson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Boyle Barrett, McNally, Patson, Montgomery, Ramsey, Reed and Twardoski.

Administrator Schmidt stated we have changes to the Agenda. We need to add an Executive Session regarding real estate acquisition, and Chief Predmore will give a short presentation.

Admin & Finance:

Council member Boyle Barrett stated their next meeting will be June 15, 2009 at 6:30 PM at City Hall.

Public Safety:

Council member Boyle Barrett stated they did not have a meeting this month and their next meeting will be July 1, 2009 at 5:00 PM at City Hall.

Building & Zoning:

Council member Twardoski stated they had a meeting on June 8, 2009. They discussed RV Parks which will come before the Council in July. They also discussed fences and permits for fences. Building Official Mundy came to the meeting and he suggested that we not require permits on fences. People would have to have their property surveyed, and the City could be liable if we required permits and there were mistakes. Their next meeting will be July 1, 2009 here in the Multi-Purpose Center at 6:00 PM.

Utilities:

Council member McNally stated we have ordered the WWTP 4x4 pickup. Regards water, the four cities have finally agreed on the water level in Lake Tapps. Staff will have another meeting with them on June 15, 2009 but things are still progressing. Mayor Johnson stated it is not the four cities; it is the Lake Tapps Community Council. Regarding gas, at the last meeting he reported that the City had 53 gas leaks which we have reduced to 20. These are all very small leaks and the public doesn't need to be alarmed. The WUTC will be out some time in June or July. They sent out a questionnaire that has to be completed before they come out and it has been completed. Before the next meeting he will check into the garbage rates because he thinks we have raised garbage rates three times in the last two years. There was also discussion regarding the White River Senior Housing and whether or not they qualify for the low income reduction on utility bills. Staff will look into this and bring it back to the next meeting. Staff gave figures regarding the low income rate reduction. In 2007 we had 18 applicants that qualified for the low income rate reduction, in 2008 there were 30 and in 2009 we have 71. This is something the Council needs to think about because it does

make a pretty big impact on the utilities. Council member McNally reported that we acquired the 4 x 4 truck from Enumclaw for free. Unfortunately, the generator is pretty well frozen up but the winch is in good shape. They are putting a flat bed on it so we will be able to haul more equipment to and from sites. John Justice did a great job acquiring this truck from Enumclaw. Their next meeting will be July 7, 2009 at 6:00 PM.

Streets, Sidewalks and Storm Drain:

Council member Patson stated their next meeting will be June 16, 2009 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

Parks& Rec & Cemetery:

Council member Montgomery stated they had a meeting on June 2, 2009. The Park Plan will be going to Planning Commission and starting the public hearing process. Recreation Services Director Bacon brought to the committee an issue regarding a gentleman that operates an Ice Cream Truck who would like to park it in the Youth Center parking lot. We don't have anything under the zoning table of uses that allows for this type of activity. It sounds like the way to address this issue would be possibly adding a public zone under the table of uses. The Planning Commission will be reviewing this shortly. Discussion ensued. Administrator Schmidt stated one of the biggest things the Council has to look at is if you do this for one, you have to consider it for everyone else that asks. Council member Montgomery said he would like to change their next meeting to 7:00 PM. That meeting will be July 7, 2009 at 7:00 PM here in the Multi-Purpose Center.

Community Services:

Council member Reed stated their next meeting will be June 15, 2009 at 7:30 PM at City Hall.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Johnson stated she attended a visioning meeting with the Pierce County Library in Edgewood a couple weeks ago. They have done extensive research on the needs of each community and they recognize the fact that our library is way too small, so they are looking into enlarging our library.

Mayor Johnson stated we were contacted by Congressman Reichert's Office and they would like to have a congressional office here in the City limits, and they asked the City if we have space available for a private office. One of the things we have been lacking is proper storage and we have been using the office that the District Court was in for storage. This would be very beneficial for us and the surrounding communities; they want something in Pierce County. They are going to look at the Youth Center and here at the MPC. If they do decide to take the space here, then we have to make sure that the garage storage is water tight and heated, and it needs new doors. Council member McNally asked if there were any other sites we could offer. Mayor Johnson stated not that the City owns; they want a public building with good parking and easy access. The

office would be open one day a week; it is still in the negotiation stage. One of the aides will be here at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Johnson stated she sent a letter to the School District, but before she did she contacted Traci Williams to let her know it was happening. Basically, it said that due to budgetary constraints we have decided to pull out of the CAP with the understanding that the Superintendent told the City it was a stand alone program and it would not go away if the City pulled out. The \$28,000 that we were spending on the CAP will be used to enhance programs at the Youth Center and Senior Center. Mayor Johnson said she also sent a copy of the letter to the City of Carbonado and Carbonado School District, who as far as we know are still participating. We are committed to the program until September 1, 2009.

Staff Reports:

Chief Arsanto stated we applied back in March for a JAG grant and we were accepted for a license plate recognition system. They have not been on the market very long so trying to get that system in place has been rather difficult, and now we are up against a timeline. The grant was for \$30,000 and the system costs approximately \$29,900 so it will be using the entire grant. He was notified today that the system has arrived and they will be able to install it in a few weeks. In order to get refunded for the grant, he has to pay for it in full, the check has to clear the bank, and then he has to copy both sides of the check and mail it to the federal government. He is asking permission tonight to pay for this and then get the reimbursement. **Council member Reed moved to approve the accounting department to pay for the license plate recognition system. Council member Twardoski seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

Chief Predmore stated he is requesting the renewal of two agreements. One is the interlocal agreement that exists between the City of Buckley, Pierce County District #26 in Greenwater, and the Town of Carbonado. In this agreement they all designate the City of Buckley as lead agent to act on their behalf in entering into an agreement with AMR, which we did in 2007 to provide advanced life support services. There are two slight changes: (1) they are adding Pierce County Fire District #25 (Crystal Mountain) which was just overlooked before; and (2) changing the period from a two-year agreement to a three-year agreement, starting July 1, 2009. The second agreement is the agreement that the City of Buckley enters into with AMR (American Medical Response) on behalf of all the agencies for the operation of the Advanced Life Support Program. Again, the only changes are adding Pierce County District #25 and making it a three-year term. **Council member Boyle Barrett moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the interlocal agreement between the City of Buckley, Pierce County District #26 (Greenwater), Town of Carbonado and Pierce County District #25 (Crystal Mountain) for Advanced Life Support. Council member Twardoski seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

Council member Boyle Barrett moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with American Medical Response to provide Advanced Life Support Services. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Administrator Schmidt stated we are still trying to nail down the Hearing Examiner process. Each Council member got a summary of the City Attorney's recommendation. The Hearing Examiner will not make a presentation to the Council based on legal recommendations. What the Council will receive in their packets is a copy of the Hearing Examiner's Facts, Findings and Recommendations, and that will serve as the official recommendation for her position. The record itself will be kept in Associate Planner Rashid's office as the master record, including the tapes of the full hearing. The Hearing Examiner has stated she will have her recommendations by Monday, and if so the packets will be ready Monday evening. After reading the Hearing Examiner's decision, if you want to review any of the record or listen to the tape you need to contact Associate Planner Rashid or Utility Clerk Boyle and they will have this information available. The applicant has requested that they be allowed to give the City Council a presentation on their application. The City Attorney is strongly recommending against that, but it is entirely up to the Council. It was the Council's decision to not allow the presentation. The Council had a brief discussion regarding the process.

Administrator Schmidt stated we are currently still going through negotiations with the four cities and it looks like we are almost to the point of having a draft agreement. It looks like we are going to get a solid agreement that actually presents Buckley's concerns and addresses our water needs in the long term.

Administrator Schmidt stated we had hoped to have an additional Executive Session tonight to discuss Spiketon ditch issues but because we do not have the attorney present, and it is potential litigation, that will be put off to a future meeting.

Administrator Schmidt announced that the City received a grant award of \$171,000 for the pedestrian crossing on Highway #410 at Mason Avenue, near Java Angels. The City was surprised to get this; it will really enhance safety on the highway. Council member Boyle Barrett stated this grant is in conjunction with the Safe Routes to Schools grants.

Citizen Participation:

Ron Callis from the Buckley Chamber of Commerce would like to request street closures for the Log Show parade and street fair. They would like Main Street closed from A Street to River Avenue and North Cottage for the parade in the morning, and River Ave closed from the back parking lot to Park Ave on Saturday and Sunday for the street fair. **Council member Montgomery moved to approve the street closures for the Log Show parade and street fair. Council member Patson seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

MAIN AGENDA

Resolution No. 09-09: Amending Taxes, Rates & Fees Schedule

Council member Montgomery moved to adopt Resolution #09-09 amending the Taxes, Rates and Fees Schedule. Council member McNally seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Equipment Purchase: Replacement of City Snowplow

Administrator Schmidt apologized for the short notice on this but it is an opportunity that has presented itself and we need to use it. **Council member Boyle Barrett moved to approve the purchase of a 1995 International dump truck w/snowplow for the cost of \$17,500 from Valley Truck and Equipment. Council member McNally seconded the motion.** Council member Patson stated this is a deal we should act on because we won't get another deal like this. This will also fit in the alleys so it can be used for grading. Administrator Schmidt said his only concern is the steel snow plow blade; we may need to add a rubber cutting blade. This came from California Department of Transportation. **The motion carried.**

Council member Reed moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council member Twardoski seconded the motion and the motion carried.

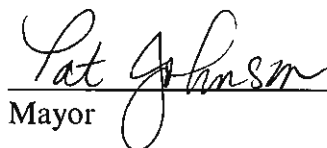
Approve the minutes of the May 26, 2009 City Council meeting.

Claim check numbers 43555 through 43677, in the amount of \$906,368.39 for the period of May 27, 2009 through June 10, 2009; Payroll check numbers 29692 through 29812, in the amount of \$296,722.93 for the month of May, 2009; and Treasurer check numbers 10636 through 10652, in the amount of \$79,241.09 for the month of May 2009 are hereby approved and ordered paid this 10th day of June 2009.

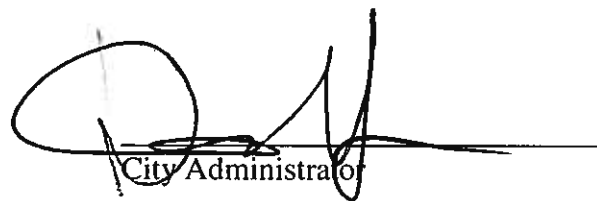
Approve Transfer Voucher for the month of May 2009.

The Council convened into Executive Session at 8:03 PM to discussion real estate acquisition for approximately 15 minutes with no announcements.

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.



Mayor



City Administrator