

**City Council
January 28, 2014**

Mayor Pro Tem Boyle Barrett called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 6:58 PM.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Tremblay, Sundstrom, Rose, Irons, Montgomery and Howard. Also in attendance was City Administrator Schmidt.

Mayor Pro Tem Boyle Barrett asked if there are any changes or additions to the agenda tonight. City Administrator Schmidt said he would like to add a resolution approving the Taylor property Purchase & Sale Agreement. **Council member Montgomery moved to add Item #16, Purchase & Sale Agreement of the Taylor property. Council member Rose seconded the motion. Motion carried. Council member Tremblay moved to approve the agenda as amended. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Administration & Finance: Council member Boyle Barrett stated she was absent. Council member Rose said they just had a general discussion.

Transportation & Utilities: Council member Tremblay stated they had a good meeting for the first time with the new group and they spent a lot of time laying out what they're going to be talking about this year and the projects that are important. They are going to tackle some individual topics that members of the committee want to focus on. Garbage service, loan payment payouts and mitigation fees are three of the topics they hope to tackle during the year. A couple of their items are on the docket today, and they also want to talk a little bit in the future about pre-approving a limited amount of spending that can be used by the City Administrator for things that are under a stipulated amount so that we don't delay that decision making; we support the decision making of our staff.

Community Services & Public Safety: Council member Rose stated they met on January 16th, but as there was no quorum they adjourned the meeting. They will meet again on the 20th of February at 7 PM.

Council Member Comment:

Council member Howard said the fire fighters banquet was held, and it was very nice to see members of the Council in attendance.

Mayor's Report

No report; Mayor Johnson was absent.

Staff Reports:

City Administrator Schmidt said during a wind storm we had a power surge on well #2, and well #2 burned out. We did an investigation of well #4 last year and found a hole corroded in the side, and now well #2, right next to it, is out as well. We went ahead and authorized Charon Drilling to do the work because he was available last Tuesday. The Committee supported that and we will actually have a formal scope of work for the Council to approve at the next meeting, and he is going to have Dominic Miller include the additional cost to do the investigation of that well while we have the pump out of it; we might as well scope it and do everything else to it as well while we do well #4.

City Administrator Schmidt said he thinks everyone is aware that Steve Britton passed away. Steve was involved with the City on several committees; he has been a volunteer and contributed quite a bit. In regards to a Meet & Greet for him, there has been a request that under category 6 that the Council adopted last year for memorial services, it allows a waiver of the deposit of 50%, but there is no waiver of the rental fee at all. The Mayor and Buckley Hall Board, as well as the Chamber, are requesting the Council, for this Meet & Greet for Steve Britton, waive that fee for that service. **Council member Montgomery moved to waive the rental fee for Buckley Hall for a Meet & Greet and Memorial for Steve Britton. Council member Sundstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Chief Arsanto briefed the Council on South Sound 911's forward progress. Also, his Records Clerk is moving down to City Hall so he now has an opening at the Police Department. It appears that we will have some internal applicants, so it looks like we will be able to promote from within.

City Administrator Schmidt stated that Joanne has been promoted to City Clerk, which took effect the beginning of January. Her job as Deputy City Clerk was posted and Kristin Memovich from the Police Department was selected for that position through an interview process.

Chief Predmore thanked all Council members who RSVP'd and attended the fire fighters banquet or said that they were unable to attend due to other obligations. It was great to have everyone there; it was a very successful banquet. Tonight, and also for the next few Council meetings, as Fire Department matters come forward, the Assistant Chiefs will be here for Fire Department matters. Assistant Chief Whitmore is here tonight and he will present the Fire Department topics, and at a future meeting you will see Assistant Chief Skogen. Feel free to ask them questions and help them develop their skills.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Dr. Dale Clark, 688 Couls Avenue, Buckley, WA, representing the Mom & Me Mobile Clinic. He is here to talk about our town and what he's noticed occurring. He went down Main Street and it's dark; a lot of businesses have been closing. This is affecting his organization because a lot of these businesses support him and help get the

word out about his medical clinic. They do a lot of fund raising, and they use their electric sign to do that. He and his staff agreed that was not the most efficient use of their sign because they were losing the support of the businesses that were closing. A discussion ensued regarding Dr. Clark's sign and the City's sign code, and it was agreed that this issue would be a topic of discussion at next week's City Council Study Session, prior to it being remanded to the Planning Commission.

MAIN AGENDA

ORD No. -14: Adopting PSE Franchise Agreement (1st Reading)

City Administrator Schmidt stated that this is an introduction and first reading of an ordinance to adopt the PSE Franchise. PSE and their legal counsel just wanted us to make sure that the Council was fully aware that there are two contested sections that we're currently negotiating. We will be able to resolve these in the next few days so the final version will come to the Council for adoption on February 11th. Council member Tremblay commended staff for their work; this is uncharted territory.

RES No. 14-01: Revising Taxes, Rates and Fees Schedule (Revision #18)

Council member Montgomery moved to approve RES No. 14-01 amending the City's Taxes, Rates & Fees Schedule. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Asset Purchase Agreement Between City and PSE (Gas System Purchase)

Council member Tremblay moved to approve the Asset Purchase Agreement between the City and Puget Sound Energy for the Gas System. Council member Rose seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt said he wants the Council to be aware that this approval will be subject to the City Attorney and I working with PSE and staff to complete the exhibits to the Purchase & Sale because it's not complete as presented. One of the main things we're still working on is dealing with all the easements that have to be completed throughout the City; there is an assignment of them and there is also drafting of new easement documents that has to be done. And, as we're going through this process, we're discovering more and more, so it could take some time to put all this together. **Council member Tremblay amended his motion to approve the agreement to purchase the natural gas system conditioned that no substantive changes are made during the process of final negotiation with PSE. Council member Howard seconded the amended motion. Following a brief discussion, amended motion carried. Main motion carried.**

Agreement & Release Between the City and PSE (Indemnity)

Council member Montgomery moved to approve the Agreement and Release between the City and Puget Sound Energy (PSE) concerning the Bid for Purchase of the Gas System. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt stated that this is about the error in the commercial rate, which was part of the RFP document, and we were trying to figure out how to make it right. **Motion carried.**

Agreement: City Ag Property Lease #2 – (Gi Su Pak)

Council member Rose moved to approve the 2 Year Agreement between the City and Gi Su Pak for lease of farm land, buildings and facilities on the DSHS Ag Facility. Council member Howard seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt said this is something he actually brought up at the last meeting when we did an amendment to Ken Carel's lease. A short discussion ensued regarding rental rates, long term plans for this property and use of domestic water. **Motion carried.**

WSDOT Funding Agreement – Realignment Phase II

Council member Montgomery moved to approve the Grant Funding Agreement between the City and the WSDOT for construction of Phase II of the SR410/SR165/ Realignment Project. Council member Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5 Year Interagency Agreement – State Fire Mobilization Agreement

Assistant Fire Chief Whitmore provided a staff report and answered questions from the Council. **Council member Rose moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Interagency Agreement between the City of Buckley and the State of Washington for State Fire Mobilization Reimbursement. Council member Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Right of Access Agreement – Cascade Water Alliance

Chief Predmore provided an explanation and answered questions from the Council. **Council member Montgomery moved to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to execute the Right of Access Agreement between the City of Buckley and Cascade Water Alliance for the premises located at 600 North River Avenue. Council member Irons seconded the motion. A short discussion ensued. Motion carried.**

RES No. 14-02: Approving Purchase & Sale Agreement for the Taylor Property

Council member Tremblay moved to approve the Purchase & Sale Agreement for the Taylor property. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt said that the City Attorney drafted the original resolution in a way

that allowed the Council to approve the sale of the property without having to bring it back for another motion. The reason we're back here tonight is because the title company will not release title unless we provide them with a document where the Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the documents. So, we had to do another resolution that authorizes the Mayor to complete the sale, and now we can forward that to the title company. **Motion carried, with Council member Sundstrom abstaining because he wasn't involved in all of the discussion that took place.** City Administrator Schmidt stated that staff has a pre app meeting tomorrow morning with the new owner of the property and I believe they are going to try to short plat it into 3 lots and destroy/tear down/demolish, but we're not sure they are going to be able to get adequate access.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Tremblay moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

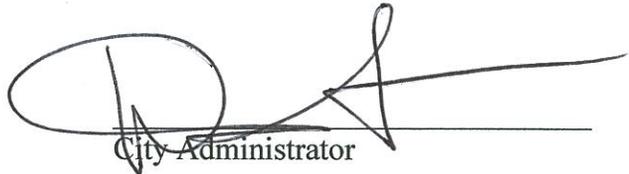
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Council member Tremblay moved to adjourn the meeting. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.



Mayor



City Administrator