

City Council
December 11, 2012

Mayor Johnson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Howard, Irons, Leggett, Montgomery and Tremblay. Mayor Johnson stated Council member Boyle Barrett is home sick with the flu. **Council member Tremblay moved to excuse Council member Boyle Barrett. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion and the motion carried.** Also in attendance was City Administrator David Schmidt.

Mayor Johnson stated there are a couple items that have been added to the agenda and an amended agenda has been distributed. City Administrator Schmidt stated before a motion is made he would like to offer one other consideration; one of the additions is the actual formal settlement agreement that the Council approved at the last meeting. The attorney wanted the Council to know that nothing really has changed; it is the same terms that were agreed to at the last Council meeting only in the agreement form, but if you want an Executive Session you can add one to go in and talk to the Attorney on the phone. She didn't think it would be necessary but we wanted to give the Council the option. **Council member Tremblay moved to accept the amended agenda as presented. Council member Irons seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

Mayor Johnson stated that before everyone leaves this evening, she has the letter to our Legislators for signatures.

Finance and Public Safety:

Mayor Johnson stated they haven't had a meeting but have one scheduled for December 18, 2012 at 8:30 AM at City Hall.

Streets and Utilities:

Council member Tremblay stated they have not had a meeting and don't have one scheduled until January 15, 2012 at 7:00 PM.

Community Services and Economic Development:

Council member Montgomery stated they have a meeting scheduled for December 20, 2012 but don't have anything on the agenda so they will be cancelling that meeting. Their next meeting will be January 17, 2012 at 7:00 PM here in the MPC.

Council member Tremblay stated he attended the Master Builders reception and had a chance to talk to the new Pierce County Assessor and some of our representatives. It was a good networking session.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Johnson reminded everyone that the Soup Kitchen will be here tomorrow in the MPC at 5:00 PM and the Kiwanis will be serving dinner. City staff will be serving in January.

Mayor Johnson stated she attended the Mayors' Conference that AWC put on last week. There were a couple legislators that spoke to us.

Mayor Johnson performed the Oath of Office for Nora Lyn Rose as our new Council member.

Staff Reports:

City Administrator Schmidt stated on the agenda tonight is the Final Acceptance for the Hazard Transmission Main Project. Also, we have a Change Order #7 to the Realignment Project. The final punch list is almost complete so we will probably be doing the final acceptance of this at the 1st or 2nd meeting in January. City Administrator Schmidt thanked the staff for all their hard work on putting the budget together, and also both Chiefs and Kathy for the transition of the closure of the jail and dispatch center.

MAIN AGENDA

Ordinance No. 15-12: Setting Voter Approved Fire Station Levy for 2013

Council member Howard moved to adopt Ordinance No. 15-12 setting the 2013 levy amount required for the voter approved 2010 Unlimited General Obligation Bonds for Fire Station Construction financing. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Ordinance No. 16-12: Adopting Final 2013 Budget

Council member Tremblay moved to approve Ordinance No. 16-12 adopting the 2013 Budget. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion. Council member Tremblay would like to thank the staff for their hard work because we are one of the few communities that have a budget that doesn't look really red. **The motion then carried.**

Ordinance No. 17-12: Adopting 2013 City Employee Salary Scale

Council member Montgomery moved to approve Ordinance No. 17-12 adopting the 2013 City Employee Salary Scale. Council member Leggett seconded the motion. Council member Howard stated he would like to point out one minor objection. He thinks it would be healthy for the Council to look at finding both our Police Chief and Fire Chief on an equal basis. They are on different pay scales now and he doesn't think it reflects the hard work that they both put in and the importance that we place behind both the Police and Fire Chief. Council member Montgomery had a question about the transition for the Planner going from a contract to a part time employee and why starting at Step B versus the Initial Step. City Administrator Schmidt stated that when we went to a contract Planner, the hourly wage we went by was based on a total of the salary plus

benefits. If you take that hourly amount and translate it into the table, that's where it starts out. City Administrator Schmidt stated that the overall cost to the City is almost none, the reason being is as a half time planner they pay a proportionate share of the benefits and also give up the stipend. **The motion then carried.**

Interlocal Agreement – Building Inspector Services

Council member Tremblay moved to approve the Building Services Interlocal Agreement between the City of Buckley and City of Edgewood for 2013. Council member Howard seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Agreement: SoZo CrossFit LLC Lease of Old Fire Station Building

Council member Howard moved to approve the agreement between the City and SoZo Crossfit LLC for lease of the old Fire Station building. Council member Rose seconded the motion. Council member Montgomery voiced concern regarding giving them first right of refusal. City Administrator Schmidt stated they had asked the City if at some point and time the City surpluses that building that they have the first opportunity to buy it at fair market rate because they are making an investment by putting their business in there. This is the same as the contracts with Del's and the Buckley Liquor Store. Discussion ensued. **The motion then carried.**

Realignment Project – Change Order No. 7

Council member Tremblay moved to approve Change Order #7 for the Realignment Project for a cost of \$2,610. Council member Leggett seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Hazard Mitigation Transmission Main Project: Closeout and Final Acceptance

Council member Montgomery moved to accept the Hazard Mitigation Raw Water Transmission Main Project as complete. Council member Rose seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Resolution No. 12-15: Amending the City's Taxes, Rates and Fees Schedule

Council member Montgomery moved to approve Resolution No. 12-15, amending the City's Taxes, Rates and Fees Schedule revision #16. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Agreement: Court Security Services

Council member Rose moved to approve the Employment Agreement between the City and James Severson for Court Security Services. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt stated this is being presented because the court is having trouble finding a substitute security officer. Mr. Severson works for Black Diamond and Enumclaw as well. The one thing about this agreement is that there is a four hour minimum. Discussion ensued. **The motion then carried.**

Ordinance No 18-12: Amending the 2012 Budget

Council member Montgomery moved to approve Ordinance No. 18-12, amending the 2012 Budget. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt stated that on the hand out the numbers in blue are the ones that are being proposed to change. A short discussion ensued regarding doing this amendment in December or January. City Administrator Schmidt stated we will get dinged on the audit if done in January. **The motion then carried.**

Agreement: Proposed Settlement of Spiketon Ditch Litigation

Council member Howard moved to approve the Settlement Agreement between the City and Angela Toman over Spiketon Ditch Litigation and authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement. Council member Rose seconded the motion. Council member Montgomery voiced his concern regarding this and let everyone know that he feels this is too much money and why he feels this is too much. He has already voted twice against it. Discussion ensued. **The motion then carried with a 5-1 vote.**

Council member Montgomery moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. Council member Howard stated he does not have the Transfer Vouchers or Payroll. **Council member Montgomery rescinded his motion and Council member Tremblay rescinded his second.**

Council member Montgomery moved to postpone the Consent Agenda until the next meeting. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion and the motion carried.

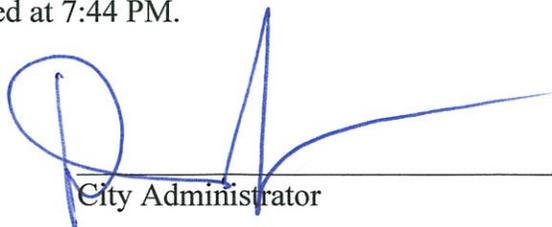
Council member Howard asked if the City has any function planned for its employees and if there is an opportunity for the Council to contribute towards the function. City Administrator Schmidt stated there is a chili cook off on the 18th at Buckley Hall. Council member Howard encouraged his fellow Council members to voluntarily contribute to the holiday function.

Council member Tremblay moved to adjourn the meeting. Council member Howard seconded the motion and the motion carried.

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM.



Mayor



City Administrator