

City Council
February 11, 2014

Mayor Johnson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Tremblay, Boyle Barrett, Sundstrom, Rose, and Montgomery. Also in attendance was City Administrator Schmidt. Council members Howard and Irons were absent. Mayor Johnson stated that Council member Howard was called to duty this evening, so he can't make it, and Council member Irons had a doctor's appointment today. **Council member Tremblay moved to excuse Council members Howard and Irons. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Mayor Johnson asked if there are any additions, corrections or changes to the agenda this evening. **Council member Rose moved to accept the agenda as written. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Administration & Finance: Council member Boyle Barrett stated that Admin & Finance did have a meeting on the 3rd of February, and it was their first meeting of year. City Administrator Schmidt let them know that the Guild is still negotiating, and they talked about compiling a report each month for public record requests, which is just to let us know what's going on. We're also going to have to take a look at Council policy and decide how we're going to address requests from Council members for public records. We either have to deal with that at a Study Session, or keep working on it in Admin & Finance. Their next meeting is scheduled for the first Monday in March, but she thinks she is going to reschedule to the first Tuesday to coincide with the Workshop.

Transportation & Utilities: Council member Tremblay stated they have not had a meeting since their last report, and they are scheduled to meet next Tuesday at 7 PM, and that is their regular monthly meeting.

Community Services & Public Safety: Council member Rose stated they will meet on February 20th at 7 PM.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Johnson stated that the Pierce County Regional Council Annual Meeting is Thursday night the 20th, and it is available to all Council members. Please let her know within the next couple days if you want to go because we have to give them a head count by the end of the week. Council member Sundstrom has indicated that he wants to go and Council member Tremblay is also going.

Mayor Johnson said she was called down to Olympia last week to speak at a workshop with the Senate Transportation Committee. There were four of us, and we got twenty minutes of the Committee's time. We were talking about transportation and basically about how we fund our projects; what we depend on for funding. We were telling our story and how important it is for them to come up with a transportation package. Mayor Johnson said she has been called back tomorrow, but this one is on marijuana and why we need funding; the money collected should be shared with the cities because we have to deal with the consequences

Mayor Johnson said that Council member Sundstrom would like to attend a class that is not a normal class that Council members would attend. I bring it to you because it comes out of your budget. Also, is there anyone else who would like to take this class; it's on stormwater and it sounds like a good class. **Council member Tremblay moved to approve funding for Council member Sundstrom to attend the stormwater class. Montgomery seconded the motion.** Council member Tremblay said he appreciates Council member Sundstrom's willingness to attend and hopes he brings the knowledge back to share with the Transportation & Utilities Committee. **Motion carried with Council member Sundstrom abstaining.**

Staff Reports:

City Planner Thompson said the Planning Commission met last night and approved an agenda for the joint meeting in two weeks, and they also want to know if the Council has items they would like to address. So far on the agenda they have introductions and brief biographies, the Comprehensive Plan updates, and how to improve communication between the Council and the Planning Commission. If you have anything that you'd like to add, send an e-mail to her at cityplanner@cityofbuckley.com and she will add it to the agenda.

Council member Tremblay told the Council about Beyond Urban Branding, a program put on by the UW's Urban Planning class in conjunction with the Pierce County Regional Council and other groups. It is a free day-long session on exactly what we've talked about a number of times; how do you brand your community to bring people in. Go to Tacoma.UW.edu/urban. They provide lunch and it goes from 8:30 to 3:30 PM, and it's on the campus in Phillip Hall. It is very educational. It's February 20th.

City Administrator Schmidt said the Police Guild basically gave the City a comprehensive offer and said to either take it or they were going to mediation. It was too high and we were not able to accept it, and so we will be going to mediation. They have filed so we will find out what that is going to happen, and we may end up in binding arbitration, we're not sure.

City Administrator Schmidt said that he and the City Engineer and the City Planner met with Investco/AHBL today and they want to break dirt in March on the new Van Sickle Landing plat. So, once the construction permit is issued I think the Council and citizens will start to see construction out on Ryan Road and within that plat. They are moving full

speed ahead. They are also looking at possibly picking up surrounding parcels as well, so it could end up expanding beyond the original footprint. Also, Nanovich has met with the City and is preparing to submit construction drawings to begin their plat. So there will be quite a bit of building activity going on. Regarding Van Sickle Landing, one of the conditions by the Hearings Examiner originally was that they provide the City with a trail linkage from the development to Miller Park, but under the plat amendment that was eliminated and revised so they just had to provide the City with a trail corridor; basically a public easement so that it could be constructed.

City Administrator Schmidt said regarding the PSE easement we are working through; we had original identified between 150 and 200 problem areas. We've since had a phone conference with PSE and have refined that into high, medium and low priority areas. The split services we were concerned about are a lower priority now. We are still going through the process and identifying which ones are high, but we've also had the City Engineer do research through the county on what easements are out there in the City. We've identified 70 old ones, and some of those will correspond to some of the areas on the list and so we're hoping to get it down to about 30 or so. We will make those a priority and we will begin meeting with property owners and trying to obtain those easements.

City Administrator Schmidt stated that the City advertised for a consultant for the realignment project. We advertised an RFP, which we had to do in order to meet federal highway guidelines because there is federal funding involved in the grant money, and we only had one consultant apply. We had three different ones ask for information and we sent them packets, but only one consultant, which is Gray & Osborne, is the only one to apply. They already have the pre-design 80% complete. But because we only had one consultant apply, he had to check with WSDOT to make sure that satisfied the federal requirements, and they said we still have to go through the interview process. We have to show that they meet all of the standards, which they already did for the first half of the project, so it is a matter of formality. When we do it, there will be a representative from WSDOT present as we go through the interview process. Council members Sundstrom and Montgomery volunteered to sit on the interview committee and participate in the interview process. Council member Boyle Barrett volunteered as an alternate if either Sundstrom or Montgomery cannot be there.

MAIN AGENDA

ORD No. 01-14: Adopting PSE Franchise Agreement (2nd Reading & Adoption)

Council member Tremblay moved to adopt ordinance 01-14 adopting PSE Franchise Agreement and recognizing this is the second reading and ready for adoption. Council member Rose seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt said this was introduced at the last meeting for a first reading. We have since met with the attorneys and you can see the changes to the document. City Administrator Schmidt briefly explained the changes. **Motion carried.**

ORD No. 02-14: Amending BMC 2.33 on Planning Commission Membership

Council member Boyle Barrett moved to approve Ordinance No. 02-14 amending BMC 2.33 for Planning Commission membership. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt said this basically cleaned up the code and addressed the business language. A very brief discussion ensued. **Motion carried.**

Agreement: Charon Drilling – Well 2 Investigation

Council member Boyle Barrett moved to approve the Public Works Contract/Agreement with Charon Drilling to investigate damage to Well #2 for a cost of \$3,000 + sales tax. Council member Rose seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt provided a brief review. **Motion carried.**

Adopt Robert's Rules of Order

Council member Sundstrom moved to adopt Robert's Rules of Order as the official procedural rules of the Buckley City Council. Council member Montgomery seconded the motion. Council member Rose moved that we postpone this until we have the vote of the full Council as it affects all of us and how we function; I would like to postpone it to the next Council meeting. Council member Boyle Barrett seconded the motion. A short discussion ensued. **Motion to postpone to the next Council meeting carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Montgomery moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes of January 28, 2014 City Council Meeting and February 4, 2014 City Council Study Session

Claim check numbers 51059 through 51162, for the period of January 29, 2014 through February 11, 2014, in the amount of \$509,463.80; Payroll check numbers 33927 through 33975, in the amount of \$289,913.83 for the month of January 2014; and Treasurer check numbers 11514 through 11522, in the amount of \$18,326.87 for the month of January 2014 are hereby approved and ordered paid this 11th day of February 2014.

Council retreated into Executive Session at 7:34 PM, for approximately 15 minutes, to discuss the Taylor property, with no action to follow.

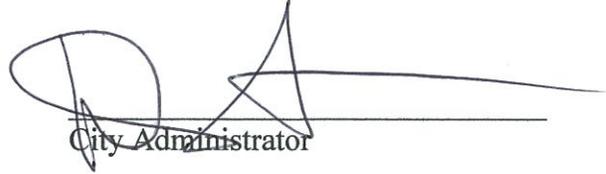
Council returned from Executive Session and reconvened the City Council meeting at 7:49 PM.

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

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.



Mayor



City Administrator