

City Council
August 25, 2015

Mayor Johnson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Sundstrom, Rose, Leggett, Howard, Tremblay, Boyle Barrett and Montgomery. Also in attendance were City Administrator Schmidt, Police Chief Arsanto and City Clerk Starr.

Mayor Johnson asked if there were any changes, additions or deletions to the agenda. **Council member Boyle Barrett moved to approve the agenda as written. Council member Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There were no speakers.

STAFF REPORTS

City Administrator Schmidt stated that Chief Predmore has been assigned to the fire on the east side. He is working as the assistant manager of the EOC. It is very intense over there and they are working long hours.

City Administrator Schmidt said it has been a long road but it looks like the developer for Elk Heights may actually have the first phase of the step system almost complete. They had to replace 30+ trees that they damaged putting in that new line, and they are supposed to be done with the planting on Thursday. After that all they have left to do is topsoil and hydro seeding, and Dominic is actually requesting that we hold off on that until November because of the dry weather. We are negotiating with their attorney right now to allow them to move on to Phase 2.

City Administrator Schmidt said I don't know if any of you have driven down River Avenue, but the soccer field that Scott Nall talked about with the Council has gone a little beyond what he expressed to us, and what we thought would happen. A stop work order was served on them as a result of the amount of work that they've done. We've now required them to apply for a land disturbing activity permit where we can look at the storm drainage, sedimentation, erosion control, etc. They talked about putting some storage containers on the property for their equipment, but they pulled in a full size manufactured home. City Administrator Schmidt told them that wasn't what the Council envisioned and that they would have to remove it immediately.

Council member Schmidt said the City has an equipment rental rate list that is updated annually, so we actually have all of our heavy equipment in the City itemized out with a

cost per hour for what it is to rent that piece of equipment, and we also have it with operators. We now have a City employee that has a problem and has asked if he can rent City equipment, and he would pay the rental fee for the equipment and our crew for an hour or two of work on his property. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to send this issue to a Study Session for more discussion.

MAIN AGENDA

ORD No. 20-15: Adding a New Chapter BMC 3.40 (Contingency Reserve Fund): Council member Boyle Barrett moved to approve Ordinance No. 20-15 adding a new Chapter BMC 3.40 – Contingency Reserve Fund. City Council member Leggett seconded the motion. City Administrator Schmidt provided a brief explanation. A short discussion ensued. **Motion carried 6/1.**

RES No. 15-27: Amending the City Personnel Policy Sick Leave & ERIP – 14th Rev: Council member Boyle Barrett moved to approve Resolution No. 15-17 amending the City’s Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual – Revision #14. Council member Howard seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Consultant Scope – AHBL – Critical Areas Update Assistance: Council member Boyle Barrett moved to approve the Consultant Scope to update the City’s Critical Areas Regulations for a cost “not to exceed” \$6,570. **Motion carried.**

PW, Parks & Cemetery Seasonal Staffing Request: Council member Boyle Barrett moved to authorize additional seasonal hours for Parks, Cemetery and Utilities as presented. Council member Rose seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Boyle Barrett moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Council member Leggett seconded to motion. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes of August 11, 2015 City Council Meeting.

Claim check numbers 53340 through 53363, in the amount of \$79,917.58, for the period of August 12, 2015 through August 25, 2015 are hereby approved and ordered paid this 25th day of August, 2015.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor’s Report: Mayor Johnson stated that last week there was a meeting in Enumclaw with Pierce and King Counties, WSDOT, City of Enumclaw and City of Buckley for the bridge across the White River for the trail. The bridge in Puyallup was moved to a field and this was more of a strategy session about grant funding. Pierce County Regional Council was represented too because all of the grant funding is funneled through them. They advised us on which grants to apply for and that is in the works. We need about

\$5M in grant funding, and DOT is throwing in \$1M, so it will actually be about \$6M to get that bridge stored, moved up here and put into place.

Mayor Johnson said that last week she spent two days in Vancouver with the AWC Board putting together their priorities for the legislative season coming up and I asked the Clerk today to add to our Study Session in September our legislative agenda; to discuss if it is something that we want to do and what are our priorities.

Administration, Finance & Public Safety: Council member Boyle Barrett stated that they met on the 18th and she provided a brief review of what they discussed, which included a City Social Media Policy. Also, on October 10th, the Pierce County Council will be coming to Buckley to hold their meeting, at 5 PM, at the MPC. Their next meeting will be on September 1st at 9:30 AM, at City Hall.

Transportation & Utilities: Council member Tremblay stated they will be meeting on the 15th of September and that will be a budget discussion. Council member Howard provided a brief review of the committee's last meeting.

Community Services: Council member Rose stated that their last meeting was cancelled. Their next meeting will be on September 17th.

Council Member Comments & Good of the Order:

Council member Sundstrom made a comment about the bus we use to transport seniors.

Council member Boyle Barrett moved to adjourn. Council member Tremblay seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With nothing further to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM.



Mayor



City Administrator