

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

**February 18, 2003
5:30 p.m.**



The City of Bonney Lake's Mission is to protect the community's livable identity and scenic beauty through responsible growth planning and by providing accountable, accessible and efficient local government services.

MINUTES

"Where Dreams Can Soar"

Roll Call

Mayor Young called the workshop to order at 5:33 p.m.

Also in attendance were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmembers Stephen Bricker, Phil DeLeo, Neil Johnson, Dave King, and Jim Rackley. Staff members attending were Finance Director John Weidenfeller, Judge James Helbling, Planning & Community Development Director Bob Leedy, Public Works Director Seth Boettcher, City Engineer John Woodcock, Assistant Public Works Director Gary Leaf, Special Projects Planner Steve Ladd, City Attorney Jim Dionne, and Pro Tem City Clerk Harwood Edvalson.

Councilmember King moved to excuse Councilmember Palecek. Councilmember Rackley provided a second. Council discussed the motion expressing concern about Councilmember Palecek's recent attendance record.

Councilmember Bricker moved to table the previous motion until the next council meeting. Councilmember De Leo seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 4-3. Voting no were Councilmembers King, Johnson and Deputy Mayor Swatman. Mayor Young voted to break the tie in favor of tabling the motion.

Agenda Items

1. Open Discussion.

Mayor Young pulled AB03-82 – Miscellaneous Fees and the executive session from the workshop agenda. He suggested a motion to limit the time of the meeting. Deputy Mayor Swatman asked that if a time limit was to be set the discussion on the Council Policies and Procedures be moved to the beginning of "New Business."

Councilmember Bricker moved to conclude the evening's discussion at 9:00 p.m. and to move the discussion regarding Council Policies and Procedures to the beginning of the "New Business" Section. Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 4-2. Voting no were Councilmember Johnson and Deputy Mayor Swatman.

Open Discussion (Cont'd.)

Mayor Young asked Council to indicate those planning to attend the PCRC General Assembly Meeting February 20, 2003. No one indicated an intention to attend the meeting. Councilmember Bricker asked for an update on the planned emphasis on traffic enforcement. Mayor Young responded that a tentative date had been discussed for the month that the DUI Taskforce would be in Bonney Lake, perhaps April. He would provide additional information to Council on the specific date.

Councilmember De Leo discussed the need for Bonney Lake officers to have an established threshold for speeders to encourage more consistent enforcement.

Councilmember Johnson asked about the status of traffic calming measures.

Councilmember Bricker responded that discussion would occur at the next workshop.

Councilmember Rackley asked if Mayor Young had spoken with Police Chief Jeter about the motorcycles in Sky Island. Mayor Young responded that he had given copies of the email to both the Chief and to code enforcement in Planning.

Richard Bright, 8210 Locust Ave. E, asked where complaints for speeding are recorded. Mayor Young said that all he was aware of were forwarded to the Police Chief.

2. Discussion – AB03-79 – Council Retreat Consultant.

Councilmember Johnson introduced Marty Wine with Beck & Associates. She presented a strategy for developing a retreat agenda for the Council. She said she would be calling each Councilmember to learn more about individual priorities. She further described the general retreat timeline. Councilmember Johnson said he would provide additional information on lodging options and costs. He explained that Ms. Wine's consultant costs would be between \$3500 - \$4700. A contract would be presented for review at the Finance Committee to come forward to the Council meeting.

Old Business

1. Discussion - AB03-50 – Ordinance 984 – Transportation Impact Fees.

Public Works Director Seth Boettcher introduced the topic. He summarized a letter received from the Master Builders Association and discussed their principle concerns.

Councilmember King asked about the potential for interlocal agreements with Pierce County were they to adopt a traffic impact fee. Director Boettcher said that if both jurisdictions have a fee then interlocal agreements could be used to address impacts to Bonney Lake from projects in the County. He said the reverse would be true as well. City Engineer Woodcock reported that there were 320 lots that had received final plat approval but for which no building permit had been applied.

Councilmember Bricker expressed concern for the impacts to owners of undeveloped property in Bonney Lake. Mayor Young proposed the concept of phasing in the fee over four years to reduce the impact to property owners. City Attorney Dionne said there was an unpublished court case that said impact fees were not vested and could be added at the point

of building permit application. He suggested that since 1999 land developers were aware of the potential for impact fees to be added after having final plat approval. Director Boettcher added that the ordinance would not take effect for 30 days. He expected to see a rush of permit applications during that time. Councilmember De Leo expressed concern for ramping up the fees over time. He felt it would hurt the City.

Director Boettcher referenced a letter dated February 13, 2003 from William Lynn discussing impacts of the proposed ordinance to Sky Island. In fairness to other projects in the City, he recommended that projects 29 & 30 be removed from the project list associated with the ordinance. He said that this action would lower the impact fee to \$2674. Director Boettcher added that Public facilities would be exempt. City Attorney Dionne explained the proposed process and standards for appeal. He said that the ordinance had been constructed very conservatively to withstand potential challenge. Other proposed changes to the ordinance were discussed by Council and staff to be included in the final draft for consideration at the next meeting. Councilmember Bricker expressed concern about future administrative costs to maintain the ordinance. Staff offered to provide information on the costs of future administration of the ordinance.

At the conclusion of Council discussion, Mayor Young determined general Council consensus for the ordinance as presented by staff with the removal of projects 29 & 30 at a level of \$2674 to be effective 30 days after passage and publication of the ordinance. He said it would be brought to the next Council meeting.

Recess – Mayor Young called for a short recess at 7:05 p.m. The meeting resumed at 7:22 p.m.

2. Discussion – AB03-51 – Resolution 1021 – Purchasing & Bidding Policies.

Finance Director John Weidenfeller introduced the item for discussion. Councilmember Bricker questioned the complete elimination of gifts and gratuities including hats, pens and mouse pads, etc. City Attorney Dionne explained that gifts or gratuities not exceeding de minimus values could be allowed if preferred by Council. Sensing general consent, Director Weidenfeller said that change would be included in the next draft of the resolution.

Councilmember De Leo explained the past history on this ordinance, that it was adopted and then rescinded shortly thereafter. He expressed concern with the apparent elimination of the purchasing order system and the need for greater controls. Councilmember Rackley stated that the use of credit cards reduces cost in the purchasing process. Councilmember Bricker added that the voucher review committee sees the credit card bills before authorizing payment. Director Weidenfeller assured Council that the purchase order system was not being eliminated.

Councilmember Johnson expressed discomfort with the proposed limits for verbal quotes in the purchasing policy, the provisions for paying job candidate interview expenses, and with moving expense assistance. Council and staff discussed changes to be included in the proposed resolution. Mayor Young said Resolution 1021 with proposed changes would be included on the next meeting's agenda.

3. Discussion – AB03-52 – Ordinance 928 – Credit Card Usage.

Mayor Young asked for comments or questions on the proposed ordinance. Councilmember De Leo asked questions about the number of accounts and the reasons for various provisions. Mayor Young and Finance Director Weidenfeller responded to his questions. Council discussed the proposed purchasing limits. There was general consensus to move this item forward to the next meeting.

4. Action – AB03-72 – Resolution 1069 – Interlocal Agreement with Valley Water System.

Mayor Young explained that this item was inadvertently left off of the Council Agenda for Feb. 11. Councilmember Bricker invited Public Works Director Boettcher to explain the details of the connection. Director Boettcher explained that the system would be connected with a backflow check valve to protect the City's system and to facilitate disconnection. The disconnect would be at Valley Water's expense.

Adrian Taylor, Classic Storage LLC, 20827 26th St. Ct. E., Sumner, WA – asked for clarification on the type of valve that would be required. The response was provided that only a check valve would be required.

Councilmember De Leo asked that the record reflect why action was required at this meeting. Mayor Young responded that time was of the essence on the building permit. He added that the developer requires this information for fire department approval and that materials for construction had been ordered.

Councilmember Rackley moved for approval of Resolution 1069. Councilmember Bricker made the second to the motion.

Motion Carried 6 - 0.

5. Action – AB03-73 – Resolution 1070 – Developer Extension Agreement with Classic Storage.

Councilmember Rackley moved for approval of Resolution 1070. Councilmember King seconded the motion.

Councilmember De Leo asked that the reason for taking action on this item be made a matter of record. Mayor Young responded that it is a companion action to AB03-72 – Resolution 1069 and part of the required process for the developer to proceed in a timely manner.

Motion Carried 6 - 0.

New Business

1. Discussion – AB03-81 – Council Policies and Procedures.

Deputy Mayor Swatman began the discussion of this item and distributed a copy of proposed changes to the Council for further discussion. Council discussed the proposed changes receiving input from Mayor Young, City Attorney Dionne and Finance Director Weidenfeller. The discussion included changes in the Council agenda format, recognition of

speakers, changes to reflect the referendum process, and requirements for notification of planned absence to Council committee meetings. City Attorney Dionne agreed to have an ordinance with the consensus changes available for the next regular Council meeting.

2. Discussion – AB03-82 – Out of State Travel for Jo Anne Barkley.

After a brief introduction by Finance Director Weidenfeller, Council concluded that this item was authorized as approved in the FY 2003 Budget.

3. Discussion – AB03-66 – DM Disposal Services

Assistant Public Works Director Gary Leaf introduced the topic and distributed copies of tables describing taxing options that could be used to recover lost revenue to the City if DM's proposal to do refuse billing were approved. Council discussed the options and DM's proposed rates to Bonney Lake. Councilmember King said he was not in favor of having DM do the billing. He also felt that the refusal of DM to collect plastics for recycling would cause residents to increase their regular refuse collection and costs. Councilmember Bricker responded that making DM collect plastics would also result in increased costs to customers. Mayor Young suggested that the issue be tabled until further discussion could occur with DM Disposal.

4. Discussion – AB03-70 – Contract with Waldron Resources for Consultant Services with Jack Pittis

Mayor Young introduced this item and noted that several Councilmembers had participated in the interview of the proposed consultant. Councilmember Bricker said the consultant would be used to analyze the public works department. Finance Director Weidenfeller reported that the contract was for a maximum of 128 hrs. Deputy Mayor Swatman said that he felt the study would be of no real value. Councilmember Bricker responded that with the growth experienced in the City this study may help increase the department's ability to respond to the changes associated with growth. Consensus was given to move the item forward to the next Council meeting.

Councilmember Bricker moved to table New Business items 4 (AB03-75) and 6 (AB03-78) for future discussion. Mayor Young received consensus that item 5 (AB03-76) needed no further discussion. **Councilmember King seconded the motion.**

**Motion passed 4 – 2. Voting
no were Councilmember
Johnson and Deputy Mayor
Swatman.**

Mayor Young adjourned the workshop at 8:57 p.m.