

**COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

*April 15, 2003*

**MINUTES**



*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.*

*"Where Dreams Can Soar"*

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**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, Neil Johnson, Dave King, and Jim Rackley. Staff members attending were Administrative Services Director Tom Reber, Finance Director John Weidenfeller, Judge James Helbling, Planning & Community Development Director Bob Leedy, Public Works Director Seth Boettcher, Police Chief Bryan Jeter, City Attorney Jim Dionne, and Pro Tem City Clerk Harwood Edvalson.

Councilmember DeLeo had announced his absence at the last Council meeting.

**Agenda Items**

1. Open Discussion

Mayor Young stated that he had heard there was interest on the part of the Council to delay the workshop and start the evening with the special meeting to interview the candidates for the Council vacancy. The City Council discussed this idea, and concluded by common consent to set a one-hour time limit for the workshop.

Continuing with open discussion, Mayor Young announced the Annual Spring Cleanup for May 8, which is the common trash pickup day for the City of Bonney Lake. He said there would be a mailer with coupons going out later in April. Mayor Young also announced the opening of the permit center on May 5. He said some portions of the move by the Planning & Community Development Department may be delayed due to a delay in carpet installation. In addition, Mayor Young also announced that Lieutenant Mike Strozyk and Officer Greg Cantrell of the Police Department had recently marked their 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the City.

Public Works Director Seth Boettcher reported on a concern expressed by a citizen at the last Council meeting. He said that the design for the intersection of Church Lake Rd. with the Sumner-Buckley Highway had been reviewed, that it met state standards and that the engineers did not expect the slope to be a problem in winter. He said that on icy days the public works crew has a sanding program that includes the main intersections and arterial streets first. He noted that a minor change order had been approved to pull back the curb at the turn from Old Sumner-Buckley Highway onto Locust. Though the design met all the large vehicle standards, a decision was made to create a more open feeling by pulling back the curb.

Councilmember King asked Planning and Community Development Director Leedy if the City would still be holding a rezoning hearing on April 18 for property along 70<sup>th</sup> St. proposed to change zoning from medium residential R-2 to high density residential R-3.

Director Leedy responded that the hearing is still scheduled before the hearing examiner. Mayor Young added that the staff recommendation to the hearing examiner is that the zoning not be changed.

Councilmember Rackley noted that three junk cars on 74<sup>th</sup> and Myers Rd. had yet to be dealt with by the City. Mayor Young said he would pass the request again on to the City staff. Councilmember King said that he, too, had seen the cars.

Deputy Mayor Swatman said that he's complained several times about junk cars in the public right-of-way at 208<sup>th</sup> and 94<sup>th</sup>. Police Chief Jeter said that they can be dealt with if they are in the right-of-way. Mayor Young noted that Lieutenant Strozyk had offered to look into the matter. Deputy Mayor Swatman asked why the police department could not deal with these vehicles as part of their routine. He said some of the vehicles were clearly inoperative.

Deputy Mayor Swatman also asked for follow-up on a fence complaint he had made previously. Director Leedy said he understood a follow-up email had been sent and that staff was awaiting a response. Deputy Mayor Swatman said that he would scour his email again, but did not believe that he had received an email. Director Leedy said he would again follow-up.

Councilmember Johnson asked about the consultant review of the public works organization. Director Boettcher said that they would probably be done in about a month. Mayor Young added that the review was approximately 50% complete.

## 2. Draft Minutes

The City Council reviewed the draft minutes from the meetings of January 28, 2003; March 28-29, 2003; April 1, 2003; and April 8, 2003.

Councilmember Johnson asked that the minutes from March 28-29 be changed to reflect that the Council did not break into two discussion groups, and that the retreat ended at 4:20 p.m. He also requested corrections to the April 1 minutes to reflect that he did not offer to fill in at the Public Safety Committee meeting for Councilmember King, but instead was drafted by Councilmember Bricker to participate at the committee meeting.

## 3. AB03-54 –Test Project to Install Traffic Calming Devices on Church Lake Rd. E., Locust Ave. and Myers Rd.

Mayor Young said that one of the unanswered questions about the test project was funding. He said it was not funded in the current budget. He recommended that the Council use part of their contingency funds for the project. Council briefly discussed this recommendation, but said they would prefer to see it come out of the general fund. Councilmember Bricker estimated the cost of the test project to be approximately \$15,000. Responding to Councilmember Johnson's question about a 2 or 3-way stop on Myers Road, there was consensus the project should include a 3-way stop. Councilmember Bricker asked that a timeline and proposed funding source for the project be presented at the next Council workshop.

4. AB03-97 – Ordinance 987 – Off-road Vehicle Use.

Councilmember Rackley expressed his feeling that there was not strong support on the part of the Council for the ordinance in its current form. He said he was open to suggestions, but also felt strongly that a solution was needed. Councilmember Bricker offered to have the Public Safety Committee deliberate on the problems and make some recommendations. Deputy Mayor Swatman said that he felt it was a land use issue. That those living in a growing city should be able to expect there would be some limitations on the use of motorcycles. Mayor Young concluded by saying that the issue would be referred to the Public Safety Committee for study and recommendation.

5. AB03-124 – Resolution 1103 – MOU with AFSCME on change of salary range for Accounting Asst. classification.

Finance Director Weidenfeller summarized the history of this issue. Deputy Mayor Swatman objected to this position being used for supervision in the department. Councilmembers Bricker and Johnson expressed concern that the accounting assistant title did not seem to reflect very well the supervisory nature of the position. Director Weidenfeller suggested that the position performed more of a lead-worker function in the department. He responded to questions about the current and proposed salary range for the position. Responding to a majority consensus, Mayor Young said the item would be brought back at the next Council meeting.

6. AB03-126 – Resolution 1104 – Rejecting Proposals For A New City Hall Solicited And Received In Sept. 2001.

Planning and Community Development Director Leedy mentioned that this item was merely a housekeeping item recommended by the City Attorney. He said that the parameters for a new city hall had become more specific and were different than those used to solicit proposals in 2001. Deputy Mayor Swatman asked if one of the proposals might not still be useful. Mayor Young responded that the request was more definitive this time, and that the one individual to whom the Deputy Mayor may be referring, was planning to respond to the new request for proposals. Director Leedy said that the Council Agenda Bill for the next meeting would be corrected to reflect the April 25 closing date.

7. AB03-128 – Brief Council On Issue Of Conflict Between Comprehensive Plan Map And Zoning Map (Allan Yorke Park Vicinity).

Director Leedy reported that he had provided Council a memo earlier in the day discussing this issue. He said that staff had followed-up and found dozens of discrepancies between the zoning and land-use maps. He said that staff proposed to bring corrections back in a group, rather than piece-meal them. He projected that the timeframe for dealing with the corrections was about one year from now. He also said that in this case, the City owned the property, and there was little chance the City would sell the property for development before the correction could be acted upon during the Comprehensive Plan Update process. Director Leedy responded to question about the process timeline.

**Adjournment**

**At 6:39 p.m. by common consent Mayor Young announced the conclusion of the workshop. He said the special meeting would immediately follow a brief recess.**

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Robert Young, Mayor

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Harwood T. Edvalson, Pro Tem City Clerk