

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

October 17, 2017
6:00 P.M.



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DRAFT MINUTES

Location: Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. In addition to Mayor Johnson, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Randy McKibbin, Councilmember Justin Evans, Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember James Rackley, Councilmember Dan Swatman, and Councilmember Tom Watson.

Staff members in attendance: City Administrator Don Morrison, Public Services Director John Vodopich, Police Chief Dana Powers, Finance Director Cherie Gibson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson, Human Resources Manager Jenna Richardson and Planning & Building Supervisor Jason Sullivan.

III. **AGENDA ITEMS:**

A. **Re-order Agenda**

Deputy Mayor Randy McKibbin suggested the Council table agenda Item E (AB17-28), Item F (AB17-83 – Resolution 2612) and Item G (AB17-108 – Ordinance D17-108) to the next workshop. He also suggested the Council address the Review of Draft Minutes, Discussion/Action Item: AB17-101 – Resolution 2619), and Discussion/Action Item: AB17-102 – Resolution 2620 and the Speeches/Interviews of Council Candidates in that order.

**Councilmember Swatman moved to re-order the agenda as described.
Councilmember Watson seconded the motion.**

Motion approved 6 – 0.

- B. **Review of Draft Minutes:** September 19, 2017 Workshop, September 26, 2017 Meeting, and October 10, 2017 Meeting.

The meeting minutes were forwarded for adoption at the next regular Council meeting with corrections as submitted by Councilmembers Lewis and Watson.

- C. **Discussion/Action: AB17-101 – Resolution 2619 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Awarding A Limited Public Works Contract With MB Electric, LLC For The Electrical Installation Of The CAT Generator At Lift Station 17.**

Councilmember Watson moved to approve Resolution 2619. Councilmember Lewis seconded the motion.

Public Works Superintendent Ryan Johnstone provided a brief history regarding the acquisition of this equipment and explained the current scope of work. The Council had a brief discussion about the delay in corrective actions to use this equipment. Councilmember Lewis said the Community Development Committee discussed this item earlier in the day and the Committee was satisfied with the explanations and proposed action. Councilmember Watson questioned the delay of several years for the installation of the equipment. Superintendent Johnstone replied the generator was purchased and only after receipt was it discovered the equipment was too large for the existing building. He thought the delay in action may have resulted in some slight increase in the cost of electrical work, but once the inadequacy of the building was discovered, the additional cost to install the generator on the exterior of the building was roughly the same then as now. He said he could not speak to the reason for delaying the outside generator installation, which occurred prior to his time of employment with the City.

Motion approved 6 – 0.

- D. **Discussion/Action: AB17-102 – Resolution 2620 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Accepting The Sumner-Bonney Lake School District Annexation Petitions (Victor Falls Elementary School and Lake Ridge Middle School).**

Councilmember Lewis moved to approve Resolution 2620. Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.

Planning & Building Supervisor Jason Sullivan gave a brief background to this proposed action. Councilmember Lewis asked how long it would be before the annexation was complete. Supervisor Sullivan said it would be January 2018 before the proposed annexations will have completed the process with the Boundary Review Board and return to the City Council for a public hearing.

Councilmember Swatman asked why the school district had not initiated the action some years ago. Mr. Sullivan said the district was unaware they could initiate these annexation petitions. Councilmember Swatman asked about the potential for further development of the properties, particularly Lakeridge Middle School. Mr. Sullivan said the County had testified at earlier hearings that they have no intention to develop the properties for other uses. He observed the properties would be brought into the City zoned for public facilities, and the Council would have to approve a zoning change. He noted the Lakeridge property also has other environmental constraints to further development.

Motion approved 6 – 0.

IV. City Council Candidate Speeches/Interviews.

Mayor Johnson turned the chairing of the meeting over to Deputy Mayor McKibbin, and left the selection process in the hands of the City Council. Deputy Mayor McKibbin invited the applicants to address the Council and respond to the Council's questions in the following order:

Chris Bassett
Jerimy Kirschner
David Baus
Gwendolyn Fullerton
Chris Leyba
James McClimans
Grant Sulham
Michelle Surdez
William Zimmerman
Rodrigo Yanez

At the conclusion of the interviews and based on a prior conversation with City Attorney Kathleen Haggard, Deputy Mayor McKibbin summarized Council's options to move forward and make a decision at this Council meeting. City Attorney Haggard emphasized there could be no vote or even the semblance of a vote in the executive session where the candidates' qualifications would be discussed. She described a process of holding the executive session, returning to the meeting and opening the floor for nominations.

V. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION:

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)h, Deputy Mayor McKibbin announced an executive session to last for 15 minutes with action to follow. The session commenced at 8:43 p.m. and concluded at 8:55 p.m.

VI. SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATE TO COUNCIL VACANCY.


City Attorney Haggard reviewed with Council the proposed method of selecting a Councilmember. She said there would be a call for nominations. At the conclusion of the nominations, the Councilmembers would vote sequentially for their choice, and if one single candidate receives four votes, the decision will be made.

Deputy Mayor McKibbin nominated David Baus. Councilmember Watson nominated Michelle Surdez. The Council voted individually and in sequence. Michelle Surdez received the first four votes concluding the Council selection process resulting in the appointment of Ms. Surdez to the Council vacancy.

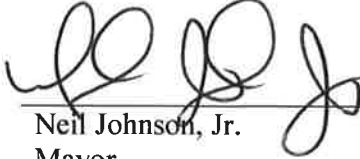
Councilmember Swatman thanked all who participated in the process and praised the candidates for their effort and qualifications. Councilmember Lewis strongly encouraged each of the candidates to consider running for office in the next election. He said it appeared they were all viable candidates. Deputy Mayor McKibbin also encouraged their application to participate on one of the City's commissions.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:00 p.m. the Workshop was adjourned by Deputy Mayor McKibbin with the common consent of the Council.



Harwood Edvalson, MMC
City Clerk



Neil Johnson, Jr.
Mayor

Items presented to Council at the October 17, 2017 Workshop: None.