



City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting
February 23, 2015
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Guier called the regularly-scheduled meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Garberding, Jones, Kave, Oliveira, Steiger, Council President Walker, Mayor Pro Tem Putnam, and Mayor Guier

Absent: None

STAFF PRESENT

Public Safety Director John Calkins, Community Services Assistant Director Darcie Thach, Community Development Manager Jack Dodge, Public Works Manager Lance Newkirk, City Administrator Richard Gould, and City Clerk Amy Stevenson-Ness

ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Guier added a presentation by Senator Mark Miloscia to the agenda right before audience comment.

The amended agenda was approved unanimously by Council.

PRESENTATION

Senator Mark Miloscia said he represents 6 cities in the 30th Legislative District. Mayor Guier invited him to come meet with Council. He wants to be available to help the city get its job done. He is currently working on securing capital funds for improvements to city hall to better serve citizens and employees. Additionally, he is attempting to work on the McClary Decision and school funding. They have just passed the transportation budget out of the Senate to fund all major projects and to get resources to local governments. Safety is a big issue to reduce fatalities as well as moving goods and services through the ports. They are trying to make sure all governments are run in an efficient and effective manner utilizing quality, performance and accountability as well as trying to help work with bureaucracy to deliver services that are efficient, effective and ethical.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Speaking before Council:

<p>Mark Gingrich, Murray's Disposal servicing the Pierce County portion of Pacific</p>	<p>Has concerns with the Solid Waste agreement that is being proposed. Not all parties have been recognized or have had explained their legal and contractual agreement position in the Pierce County portion of the community. The extension executed in August reiterated the rights of Murray's Disposal and the good faith agreement between the City of Pacific and Murray's. They would like the opportunity to be considered for a future contract and have communicated with staff on the issue. He requests that Council hold off on a unitary agreement.</p>
<p>Dave Wiley, Atty for Murray's Disposal</p>	<p>Spoke with our attorney regarding interest and concern about the issue. He said that implementing the extension ordinance signaled an interest and intent to continue with Murray's.</p> <p>(The issue was forwarded to the Solid Waste Committee)</p>
<p>John Worthington, Renton</p>	<p>Speaking regarding the medical marijuana issue. In the Kent case. AWC led cities astray. The City of Pacific's ordinance isn't actionable. The issues are debatable enough to cause doubt and AWC is missing the boat.</p>

PRESENTATION- Bonnie King, Friends At Your Metro Animal Shelter (FAYMAS)

Ms. King stated she has been a volunteer photographer at Metro Animal Shelter for 3 years. It is a public shelter supported by municipalities. FAYMAS is a 501C3 since June 2014. They have a five member board. They meet with Sumner liaison Jessica Kulas. FAYMAS is a membership organization. Sponsorships are available including: corporate sponsorship for \$250 per year; General membership for \$20 and students/seniors for \$10. A calendar was produced and raised \$3000. Their goals for 2015 include applying for/writing grants. They have applied for a livestock trailer through the Puyallup tribe; applied to Muckelshoot Charity Fund for printing costs of the next calendar; to Petco for a spay and neuter event; and applied to the Meecham Foundation for dog bed grants. They have identified community partners including Fred Meyer Community Rewards and Amazon Smile. When you name FAYMAS as your charity of choice, proceeds from the same will go to the shelter. The Wooftrax app will track the daily walk you take with your dog and for each mile you walk will give a \$1 donation to the shelter. She is working on the 2016 shelter calendar that will go to print in June or July. www.faymas.org. FAYMAS will be at various community events.

REPORTS

A. Mayor

Mayor Guier reported:

- Spent all week in Olympia at the AWC Legislative conference. Discussion was held regarding the Public Works Trust Fund, the transportation package, as well as discussion regarding the 900 marijuana legislation bills. Different senators and representatives were present for discussion.
- The SCA meeting was held and there are a couple of items that need to be discussed with Council regarding the City of Pacific's position and how she should vote at the next meeting as a representative of the city.
- SCA Networking Dinner will be held on February 25 at the Renton Pavilion. King County Executive Dow Constantine will be the speaker. It is a good event for networking.

B. Finance/City Administrator

City Administrator Gould reported:

- Uniform union negotiations will be on February 26 at 9:30.
- The Public Works and Clerical negotiations will start in March but no date is set yet.
- Met with Park Board regarding the 2015 budget and parks capital fund balance
- Staff working on the final version of the 2014 year-end report
- Two of finance staff are attending training in Spokane by BIAS.
- Spoke with former staff from Auburn regarding IT services. He is looking into the possibility of changing services

C. Court

January's reports are in the packet.

D. Community/Senior/Youth/Services

Community Services Assistant Director Darcie Thach reported:

- January numbers for the Senior Center are in the packet;
- Youth Program and Senior Center had their Valentine's Day parties on Thursday, February 11. The Youth side had 19 children. They had a valentine exchange, movie, and refreshments. The Senior Center had 20 seniors attend the party. There were several games, a valentine exchange, refreshments that included pizza donated by AIPac Pizza.
- Meals on wheels, only 2 people receiving in Pacific, but three more people have been enrolled this month. Please contact Darcie if you know of someone in need.
- Diabetes Blood screening will be held on March 2 from 10-12 in the senior center. The screening is free to the public and employees for anyone over 18.
- The Citizen Appreciation Dinner will be held on March 28. Doors open at 4:30, dinner is at 5:00-7:00. Tickets are \$10 each, \$5 for children under 12 yrs of age and families of 5 members or less for \$25. The menu is pulled pork, baked beans, and cole slaw. Please contact Darcie or Joanne to purchase pre-event tickets.
- Darcie is currently accepting applications/nominations for citizen of the year until March 16. Please submit in 250 words or less why the citizens should be considered for this recognition. She has received 2 nominations so far.
- She is requesting help from City Council for volunteers for that evening and to be on the selection committee for citizen of the year.

E. Public Works Department

Public Works Manager Lance Newkirk reported:

- He attended the Parks Board meeting and discussed maintenance of the parks.
- The crew is already out maintaining parks; cleaning benches, tables, and doing other needed repairs. Will report regularly on this topic.
- Fire hydrant near Skinner Road and 4th was hit and damaged last week.
- Staff attended training in Yakima for certification CE credits
- Did a lot of electronic filing and updating record keeping for Community Development and Public Works

F. Community Development Department

Community Development Manager Jack Dodge reported:

- Gave kudos to Lance for file management
- Will attend a meeting on March 3 regarding funds for Morgan Property purchase; will keep council apprised of the situation
- Planning Commission will be on February 24. There will be discussion of codes regarding legal non-conforming uses, a first draft of changes to the Comp Plan for transportation and natural environment elements portions;
- Formal adoption of the shoreline master plan needs to be done by ordinance
- Working with King County flood control district regarding levy improvements and looking at getting improvements started with BNSF. The right bank project has been pushed back to 2017 and he will be working with the county on how it will look.

G. Public Safety Department

Public Safety Director John Calkins reported

- Incidents that have occurred recently:
A woman walking on 3rd Ave. was attacked and contents of purse/wallet were taken.
A high speed crash occurred on Ellingson. The driver was thrown from the car.
There were no injuries in the house he hit.

H. City Council Members

Council Member Kave asked about impact fees for fire. The city no longer collects fees on behalf of VRFA but the city needs to spend it on fire related improvements such as hydrant replacement. This item will be sent to the Public Works Committee.

Council Member Steiger stated that surplus hydrants from the south end of town will replace some village hydrants. He inquired if any councilmember had been soliciting contributions from marijuana businesses. No council members stated they had.

Council Member Putnam announced he will not be running for office again.

I. Boards and Committees

i. Finance Committee

Council Member Walker stated the committee met on February 19. The following items were discussed:

- New Committee Chair – Tren Walker was chosen as the new Committee chair.
- Waste Management Franchise Contract and fiscal impact– discussion – Laura Moser of Waste Management presented the Finance Committee with a comparable revenue/cost study of the proposed new Franchise contract with the City of Pacific. The Committee asked many questions and Ms. Moser answered as she was able. There are still some unanswered questions that will be answered in the coming weeks regarding insurance. This is proposed to come

before council in March.

- 2014 Financial Report Year-end status - discussion - the Committee was presented with the draft financial reports for 2014. The committee asked questions on the General Fund Reserves (99) Fund as well as the uses for the Garbage Fund (403) and the Fire Capital Improvement Fund (333). This report will come before the City Council at the next Workshop (March 2nd).
- Transportation Benefits District - discussion –the Committee was presented with an alternative source of revenue for the Streets (maintenance) Fund. The Transportation Benefits District (TBD) will be brought before Council in the future after staff has presented the proposed plan to the Mayor and the Finance Committee in March.

The next finance committee meeting is scheduled for the 17th of March at 6:30pm.

ii. Governance Committee

Council Member Oliveira stated a meeting has not been held but planning one is under way.

iii. Human Services Committee

Council Member Garberding stated a meeting will be held on February 24, at 6:30 p.m.

iv. Public Safety Committee

Council Member Garberding reported a meeting is scheduled for March 11, at 6:30 p.m.

v. Public Works Committee

Council Member Jones reported a meeting will be held on 03/04/15; 7:00 p.m.

vi. Technology Committee

Council Member Walker reported the meeting was held on February 19.

- Discussion about the bids on the Portable Audiovisual System. Staff is currently working on getting two more competitive bids before bringing this before the City Council. The bid from Avidex is sufficient to meet the bid criteria as it is on a State Contract through the University of Washington. However the committee would like to see other bids to see how competitive Avidex is in its pricing.
- The committee discussed a destruction policy for technological products. Staff presented information on the relevant RCWs as well as potential disposal sites. Staff will be working on the policy and bring this before the Committee at March's meeting.
- Potential social media policy was discussed with the committee. Staff will present this policy after reviewing it with the City Attorney at the March meeting.
- The committee discussed a possible change in IT support as it has come to staff's attention that the City of Auburn has cancelled their IT support for two other Cities that they had previously supported.
- The committee directed staff to look into Surface tablet issues on connectivity.

This has been addressed by changing passwords for two council members.

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The Technology Committee will next meet on Thursday, March 19th at 5pm in Mayor Guier's office at City Hall.

vii. Park Board

Amy Stevenson-Ness read the submitted report from acting chair Gary Nitschke. Mayor Guier requested the board submit reports in writing to Council.

viii. Planning Commission
NONE

ix. Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC)
NONE

x. Sound Cities Association (SCA)
Mayor Guier said a meeting was held on February 11. A networking dinner on Wednesday at Renton Pavilion; Tickets are \$50 and the speaker is Dow Constantine.

xi. South County Area Transportation Board (SCATBd)
NONE

xii. Valley Regional Fire Association (VRFA)
Council Member Jones reported VRFA met the previous week.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW ITEMS

A. Resolution No. 2015-233: Setting a public hearing for March 9, 2015 at 6:30 pm regarding a sewer rate increase.

Public Works Manager Newkirk stated the resolution is to set a public hearing regarding a sewer rate increase due to King County rate

COUNCIL MEMBER JONES MOVED to approve Resolution No. 2015-233. Seconded by Council Member Oliveira. Voice vote was taken and carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Payroll and Voucher Approval

B. Approval of the minutes from meeting of January 20, 2015.

COUNCIL MEMBER JONES MOVED to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Walker. Voice vote was taken and carried 7-0.

Mayor Guier convened to executive session at 7:43 p.m. for 30 minutes for collective bargaining per RCW 42.30.140(4)(a).

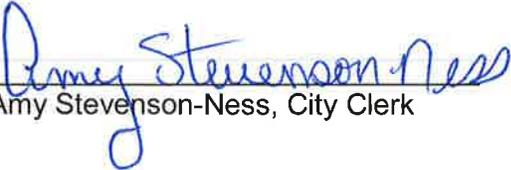
At 8:13, the executive session was extended for 5 minutes.

At 8:18, the executive session was extended for 5 minutes.

Mayor Guier called the meeting called back to order at 8:23 p.m.

ADJOURN

Being no further business, Mayor Guier adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.


Amy Stevenson-Ness, City Clerk