



NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, January 10, 2012
Minutes

Meeting Call to Order: 7:10 PM

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Don Stevens, Charles Pace, Jerry Arthurs,
Mike Baker, and Jennifer Stratton-Pies
Absent: Tim Dudley
Staff Present: Clerk / Treasurer / Administrator John Spencer,
Attorney Ken Woodrich

Guests Present

Approximately 17 guests were present, including public works staff Ray Hays and Bryan Henrichsen, and Planning Commission Chair Greg Hartnell.

Agenda Changes and Additions

None.

Public Hearings

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda included December Payroll, 12/13/11 Council Minutes, December 2011 Vouchers, and 1/10/12 Vouchers.

- **Councilor Pace moved to approve the 12/13/11 council minutes; 2nd by Councilor Stratton-Pies.**

Councilor Baker – said there was a discussion about having the council packets ready by the Thursday before the meeting and wishes that this be inserted. Councilor Pace asked if there are any concerns about staff time. Discussion ensued.

Consensus to make council packets available on Wednesdays at noon.

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve the December Payroll, December Vouchers and January 10 Vouchers; 2nd by Councilor Arthurs**

Councilor Baker – asked about voucher for Vision software. John explained it was for software support. Discussion ensued.

Councilor Pace – asked about accounting for vacation leave, about a bill from Stevenson, and other invoices.

Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, Baker, and Stratton-Pies
No: None.
Passed 4 – 0

Guest Presentations

None.

Public Comment

Greg Hartnell – Introduced himself to the council as chair of the planning commission and invited council to attend planning commission meetings (accept when they are acting in a quasi-judicial matter). Discussion ensued.

Cheryl Jermann – Is glad stop signs have been installed on Cascade and suggested improvements for the walking path as well.

Mary Armantrout – Expressed a desire to know the city's total legal costs over the past five years.

Council Member Comments

Stratton-Pies – Expressed a desire to continue attending planning commission meetings, to share attendance at chamber of commerce meetings with Councilor Arthurs, to attend finance committees, and to stay on the utility rates committee. She also suggested the TV committee is no longer needed.

Councilor Stratton-Pies left the meeting at this time.

Councilor Arthurs noted that there's nothing to stop council members from asking each other to cover meetings that they are unable to attend.

Councilor Pace expressed concern about the snow plowing policy and whether it is adequate. Councilor Arthurs echoed the concerns. Discussion ensued.

Consensus that Public Works needs to make a good effort to reach the mayor or city administrator regarding overtime for plowing efforts.

Councilor Arthurs – asked that the golf course driving range be tabled. He went on to provide a brief demonstration of detuned golf balls. Councilor Pace provided some more detail on the issue. Discussion ensued.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report

Submitted. John additionally discussed financial reports. Councilor Pace noted that at some point we need to discuss budget issues more fully.

Attorney Report

None.

Unfinished Business

Disc Golf Signs

Councilor Baker talked with Curtis Knapp, who said we could not put signs on the

highway because it would cost other businesses money to put up our signs. Also, the signs would come with an annual fee on top of cost to install. He recommended dropping the idea.

Councilor Pace expressed a desire to continue finding ways to advertise the disc golf course.

Beacon Rock Golf Course Driving Range

Councilor Pace feels that the issues of using private balls are of concern, as well as is there a valid need for a contract.

Tabled by consensus

New Business

Resolution 437 – Surplus Cable Equipment

- **Councilor Arthurs moved to approve Resolution 437, 2nd by Councilor Baker**

Councilor Baker asked what equipment was being discussed.

Mayor Stevens described the process of receiving bids for the equipment.

Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker

No: None.

Passed 3 – 0

Resolution 438 – Correcting 2009 Interfund Loan and Resolution 439 – Correcting 2010 Interfund Loan

Resolutions 438 and 439 were discussed concurrently.

Councilor Pace asked some clarifying questions. Discussion ensued regarding the low interest rates the city is receiving on the investments.

- **Councilor Arthurs moved to table Resolutions 438 and 439 in order to discuss them with the auditor and to give them further thought. 2nd by Councilor Baker.**

Councilor Baker asked for further information.

Arthurs raised a point of order. Call for questions

Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker

No: None.

Passed 3 – 0

Ordinance 1004 – Utility Billing

- **Councilor Arthurs moved to approve Ordinance 1004, 2nd by Councilor Baker.**

John provided background and discussion ensued regarding the purpose and scope of this ordinance. Councilor Pace expressed a desire to table a meeting to allow for more public comment.

Councilor Arthurs withdrew his motion; 2nd withdrawn by Councilor Baker.

- **Councilor Pace moved to table ordinance 1004, 2nd by Councilor Arthurs.**

Councilor Pace expressed a desire for staff to attempt to contact “snow birds” on this issue.

Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker
No: None.
Passed 3 – 0

Ordinance 1005 – Claims Payments

- **Councilor Baker moved to approve ordinance 1005; 2nd by Councilor Arthurs for purpose of conversation.**

Councilor Arthurs expressed his opposition to the ordinance. Councilor Pace expressed concerns regarding council’s ability to provide proper oversight. Councilor Arthurs suggested rewriting this to cover payroll explicitly. Councilor Pace suggested writing any other specific items into the ordinance as well.

Ken pointed out that the chevron card is an example of a needed item for this ordinance.

Yes: None.
No: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker
Failed 0 – 3

Peterson Precast Utility Billing Variance Request

- **Councilor Pace moved to approve the variance request for purposes of discussion; 2nd by Councilor Arthurs.**

Councilor Pace suggested that the issue of an account being in arrears is a separate issue from the need for a variance request.

Ken suggested that Mr. Peterson is asking for a rate change, not a variance, and that this should be done appropriately, with a public hearing and so forth.

Councilor Pace withdrew his motion; 2nd withdrawn by Councilor Arthurs.

Gorge Delights Utility Billing Variance Request

- **Councilor Baker moved to pass the adjustment on the water bill; 2nd by Councilor Pace for purpose of discussion.**

Councilor Pace noted that this was a late addition to the packet and asked for more information. Mayor Stevens provided history on the request.

Ken expressed concern regarding whether this issue fits the code; that it was specifically written for cases of a leak. Councilor Arthurs expressed reticence to approve it without clear legislative authority. Discussion ensued.

Yes: None.
No: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker
Failed 0 – 3

2012 Workplan

John provided background.

Councilor Pace highlighted the economic development plan and the chum salmon trail as being important items.

Committee/Commission Appointments

- **Councilor Pace moved to appoint Councilor Arthurs as Mayor Pro-Tem, 2nd by Councilor Baker**
Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker
No: None.
Passed 3 – 0

- **Councilor Pace moved to approve 2012 committee appointments as discussed, 2nd by Councilor Arthurs**
Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker
No: None.
Passed 3 – 0

**Editor's Note: See attached for list of committee appointments

Mosquito District Representative Appointment

- **Councilor Baker moved to reappoint Tom Jermann to the Mosquito District; 2nd by Councilor Arthurs**
Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker
No: None.
Passed 3 – 0

Closing Comments

Josi Lambson – Expressed her enjoyment of the meeting.

Adjournment

- **Councilor Arthurs moved to Adjourn; 2nd by Councilor Baker.**
Yes: Councilors Pace, Arthurs, and Baker
No: none.
Passed 3 – 0
Adjourned 10:15 PM

Mayor

Clerk

**CITY OF NORTH BONNEVILLE
2012 COMMITTEES/BOARDS/APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Pro Tem	Jerry Arthurs
Volunteer Fire Dept.	Jeremy Tennison
Planning Commission	Chairman: Greg Hartnell Vice Chair: Joana Fry Bob Bianchi Ron Winter Sharon Runkles <u>ALTERNATES</u> Vacancy Vacancy
Skamania County Emergency Mgt. Board	Tom Jermann
Skamania County Emergency Mgt. Org.	Jeremy Tennison
Emergency Service Compensation Board	Don Stevens Charles Pace
Skamania County Chamber of Commerce	Jerry Arthurs Jennifer Stratton-Pies (alt)
Skamania County Regional Transp. Board	John Spencer
Skamania County Law and Justice Council	Judge Bill Nix
Skamania County Disabilities Board	Don Stevens
Klickitat-Skamania Utilities Coordinating Council	Ray Hays
Skamania County Boundary Review Board	Tom Jermann
Skamania County Solid Waste Advisory Board	Jerry Arthurs
Southwest Washington Air Pollution Authority	Mary Ann Duncan-Cole Mayor Frank Cox
Community Action Team	Jerry Arthurs
Mid Columbia Economic Development District	Don Stevens

Skamania County Economic Dev. Council	Don Stevens
North Bonneville Public Safety Committee	Ray Hays
North Bonneville Finance Committee	Tim Dudley Jennifer Stratton-Pies Jerry Arthurs Mike Baker Charles Pace Marvin Showalter
Streets/Utilities/Maintenance Committee	Ray Hays Tom Jermann
Parks/Recreation/Landscaping Committee	Ray Hays Tom Jermann Jim Runkles Bob Bianchi
North Bonneville Sign Committee	Tom Jermann Mike Baker
Utility Rates Committee	Tim Dudley John Spencer Jennifer Stratton-Pies
Mosquito Board	Tom Jermann
WA Cities Insurance Authority	Don Stevens John Spencer
Hotel/Motel Tax Committee	Casey Roeder, Chamber Ron Winter, Planning Marfa Scheratski, Hot Springs Judy Bair, Wind River Publishing Ian Block, RV Park Jim Runkles, Council