

**NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2013**  
**Finance Committee Minutes**

**Meeting Call to Order:** 6:35 PM

**Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Don Stevens, Councilors Charles Pace, Bob Bianchi, Stratton-Pies and Mike Baker  
Absent: Councilor Craig Forster  
Staff Present: Clerk / Treasurer / Administrator John Spencer

**Unfinished Business**

None.

**New Business**

April Reconciliation

Provided in written form with a brief discussion.

April Utility Billing Adjustments

Provided in written form with a brief discussion.

April budget-to-Actual

John provided a brief update on the current budget.

Draft 2012 Annual Report

John gave a preview of the annual report. Council asked several questions. Councilors Stratton-Pies and Baker volunteered to meet and review the report.

**Adjournment**

6:55



**NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2013**  
**Minutes**

**Meeting Call to Order:** 7:05 PM

**Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Don Stevens, Councilors Charles Pace, Mike Baker, Bob Bianchi, and Jennifer Stratton-Pies

Absent: Councilor Craig Forster

Staff Present: Clerk / Treasurer / Administrator John Spencer, City Attorney Ken Woodrich

**Guests Present**

Approximately 11 guests were present.

**Agenda Changes and Additions**

Councilor Pace - Requested the removal of "General Rules 1.3 and RCW 35A.12.060" from the agenda.

**Public Hearings**

None.

**Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda included the 4/23/13 Council Minutes, March Adjusted Payroll, April Payroll, and 5/14/13 Vouchers.

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve the consent agenda; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Baker.**

Councilors asked a few clarifying questions.

- **Councilor Pace moved to amend the motion to state that accounts need to be checked and verified before processing the checks; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Stratton-Pies.**

On Amendment

**Yes** Councilors Pace, Bianchi, Stratton-Pies, and Baker

**No**

**Passed 4 – 0**

On Motion as Amended

**Yes** Councilors Pace, Bianchi, Stratton-Pies, and Baker

**No**

**Passed 4 – 0**

**Guest Presentations**

None.

## **Public Comment**

Tom Jermann – Spoke in favor of the MOA Regarding Personnel.

Robert Miller – Presented an idea for use of the Tourist Facility Fund: a multi-purpose replica of a block house which could function as a stage, a museum, and a recreational facility.

Ninnette Jones (Portland) – Asked to place sea lions on the next council agenda so that she can discuss their use for tourism promotion.

Cheryl Jermann – Expressed her support for the Sea Shepherds.

Eric Cooper (Seattle) – Expressed support of Ninnette Jones' ideas.

## **Council Member Comments**

Councilor Bianchi – Noted that he attended the planning commission open house on the Discovery Trail.

Councilor Pace – Noted that he attended the Collective Bargaining Negotiation session, and stated that he does not wish to continue with that committee. He expressed appreciation of the ideas expressed about Sea Lions and hoped that the city will add it as an agenda item. He also expressed his appreciation for Robert Miller's suggestion on a block house.

No one volunteered to join the CBA negotiations; Mayor Stevens stated that he will ask Councilor Forster to join the committee.

## **Clerk/Treasurer's Report**

John provided the report in written format, and provided some additional updates:

- Pressure Valves – John asked for council opinions of the idea of focusing staff efforts on installing pressure valves at each end of the transite water main instead of focusing on preparing for a new well.  
**Consensus to move forward in exploring this option.**
- AWC conference – no Councilors expressed interest in attending.
- Chipping – John noted that anyone interested in chipping debris must register soon with the Underwood Conservation District.
- 3-city partnership – John noted that the Gorge Commission is holding a discussion with regional governmental entities to explore partnership possibilities based on the success of discussions between North Bonneville, Cascade Locks and Stevenson.

Discussion ensued.

## **Attorney Report**

Ken noted that he will be meeting with the Gorge Commission attorney on other matters, and will also discuss with him possibilities for using the Gorge Commission to assist with interstate, interlocal agreements. He noted that RCW 39.34 may need to be revised through legislative action to assist the city in pursuing interlocal agreements across state lines.

He also noted that the PUD recently installed a temporary, high capacity pump in their water system that may be able to be used by the city.

He finally noted that a study will be done on the economic impact of the bridge. Discussion ensued.

Councilor Pace asked for an update on Initiative 502 (marijuana). Ken explained that the state is running behind on their processes, and are unlikely to begin issuing licenses until next June.

**Unfinished Business**

None.

**New Business**

Application of General Rule 1.3 and RCW 35A-12-060

Canceled.

MOA RE Personnel

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve the MOA; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Baker.**

Councilor Baker said that the MOA seemed reasonable. Mayor Stevens and Tom Jermann explained the benefits of the MOA as it applies to Tom Jermann. Councilor Pace expressed his desire to have full time employees over part-time employees. Discussion ensued.

<b>Yes</b>	<b>Councilors Bianchi, Stratton-Pies, and Baker</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>Councilor Pace</b>
<b>Passed</b>	<b>3 – 1</b>

CBD Signage and City Sign Standard

Jake Meyer made a presentation on a proposal to update signage in the city based on a wooden theme similar to that of national parks.

Discussion ensued. Councilor Pace noted that the signs need to include directions to fishing locations.

**Consensus to move forward with obtaining formal proposals.**

Planning Commission Appointment

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve the appointment of Jane Jackson to position #1, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Bianchi.**

Discussion ensued.

<b>Yes</b>	<b>Councilors Pace, Bianchi, Stratton-Pies, and Baker</b>
<b>No</b>	
<b>Passed</b>	<b>4 – 0</b>

Resolution 458 – Financial Management Policies and Procedures

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve resolution 458; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Baker.**

John provided background.

**Yes**                      **Councilors Pace, Bianchi, Stratton-Pies, and Baker**  
**No**  
**Passed**                **4 – 0**

Allocation of Equipment Fund for purchase of a mower

Discussion ensued.

**Consensus for John to come back with a specific proposal in the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.**

Discussion continued regarding the possibility of raising money to support these expenses, such as by selling advertising space on benches.

**Closing Comments**

Ninnette Jones – Suggested that Sea Lions could assist with tourism.

Jim Runkles – Suggested that the city needs a proper sign plan, noting that wooden signs can take considerable maintenance and that jumping into such a project is hasty.

**Adjournment**

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to Adjourn; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Baker.**  
**Yes:**                      **Councilors Baker, and Stratton-Pies.**  
**No:**                        **Councilor Pace**  
**Passes**                **3 – 1**

**Adjourned 8:39 PM**

---

**Mayor**

---

**Clerk**