



**NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, June 8, 2010**  
**Minutes**

**Meeting Call to Order:** 6:30 PM

**Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Stevens, Councilors Jennifer Stratton-Pies, Tim Dudley, Josi Lambson, Debbie Sullivan  
Absent: Councilor Cal Owens  
Staff Present: Linda Otto, Attorney Teunis Wyers, Judge William Nix

**Guests Present**

Skip Rand – Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP), W. Patrick Taylor, Judy Nappe, Jim Runkles, Mary Armentrout, Cheryl Jermann, Marv Showater, Cythia Lewis

**Guest Presentations**

Skip Rand, Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP), provided a review of his water rate study.

- Warns that the Water fund may run out of money under current projections.
- Recommends rate increases and a change to the rate structure.

**Public Comment:**

- Pat Taylor requested the Council to address speeding on Cascade Drive and proposed some solutions.
- Judy Nappe requested the Council to address speeding on Cascade Drive and proposed some solutions.
- Judge William Nix expressed his concern that someone be hired as soon as possible to fill the Court Clerk position and that this person should be experienced and well trained.
- Jim Runkles expressed his approval of the new law enforcement contract and the new attorney contract. He expressed ambiguity regarding the pool resolution passed on May 25th. He expressed his disapproval of a lack of an adequate budget, the leaking of confidential information, and Council member involvement in employee issues.
- Mary Armentrout expressed sorrow over the resignation of city staff and thanked them for their service.

## **Consent Agenda**

The Consent agenda included June vouchers, May 25<sup>th</sup> Council minutes, and May payroll.

- **Councilor Tim Dudley moved to approve the consent agenda; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Debbie Sullivan.**  
**Yes: Josi Lambson, Jennifer Stratton-Pies, Debbie Sullivan, Tim Dudley**  
**No: None**

## **Council Member/Staff Comments**

- Councilor Debbie Sullivan read a letter from resident Beverly Charlton that expressed concern regarding a review at the May 25<sup>th</sup> Council meeting by resident Tom Herzig of his findings through a public information request regarding a Council Member's private matters. The letter asked why the Mayor did not stop this discussion.
  - Mayor Don Stevens responded and said he felt his actions were appropriate.
- Councilor Debbie Sullivan discussed the June city attorney bill, stating that it was too expensive.
  - Mayor Don Stevens discussed the reasons for the cost of the bill.
- The Council further discussed the attorney's bills, reasons for changing attorneys, and council members' roles.
  - Attorney Teunis Wyers discussed his role as attorney.
- Councilor Lambson questioned the public records request.
  - Attorney Teunis Wyers responded that he felt the city's response to the public records request was appropriate.
  - Mayor Don Stevens said he would provide to the councilors a copy of a letter written by Councilor Cal Owens regarding the public records request.
- **Josi Lambson moved to reconsider the May 25<sup>th</sup> vote approving the use of a labor attorney and the city attorney in the union negotiations; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Debbie Sullivan.** Discussion ensued.
  - Attorney Teunis Wyers said that current procedures allow for the Council to act on new items not listed on the agenda.**Yes: Josi Lambson, Jennifer Stratton-Pies, Debbie Sullivan**  
**No: Tim Dudley**
- **Councilor Tim Dudley moved to have 2 attorneys, one labor attorney and the city attorney, present at both the negotiation meetings and in meetings with the union representative; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Debbie Sullivan.**  
**Yes: Tim Dudley**  
**No: Josi Lambson, Jennifer Stratton-Pies, Debbie Sullivan**
- **Councilor Josi Lambson moved to have the city attorney present at both the negotiation meetings and in meetings with the union representative; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Debbie Sullivan.**
  - Attorney Teunis Wyers said this motion may create an issue about council interference with the mayor's ability to handle administrative matters.
  - Discussion ensued.
  - **Motion withdrawn**

- **Councilor Tim Dudley moved to have one attorney at the mayor's discretion present at both the negotiation meetings and in meetings with the union representative; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jennifer Stratton-Pies.**  
Yes: Tim Dudley, Josi Lambson, Jennifer Stratton-Pies, Debbie Sullivan  
No: None
- Councilor Josi Lambson asked for an answer to a letter she wrote regarding union grievance 7743 pertaining to a disciplinary action to staff, asking if the matter was in step 2 or step 1.
  - Mayor Don Stevens responded that the grievance has ended since the union failed to respond in a timely manner and since the employee involved has resigned.
  - Attorney Teunis Wyers said this issue is not a council matter.

### **Announcements/Reports**

- Mayor Don Stevens asked whether the Clerk/Treasurer had provided a final budget for 2009.
  - Staff member Linda Otto responded that the Clerk/Treasurer provided sheet on fund balances.

### **Unfinished Business**

- Mayor and Council discussed options for controlling speeding in the city.
- **Council Tim Dudley moved to approve having a stop sign placed as soon as possible according to the requirements of the Sign Committee; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jennifer Stratton-Pies.**  
Yes: Tim Dudley, Josi Lambson, Jennifer Stratton-Pies, Debbie Sullivan  
No: None
- Mayor and Council discussed water rates, expense allocations to the water fund and related issues. It was generally agreed to form a water rate committee consisting of Councilors Tim Dudley and Josi Lambson.

### **New Business**

None

### **Legal Issues**

None

### **Adjournment**

- **Jennifer Stratton-Pies moved to Adjourn; 2nd by Debbie Sullivan.**  
Yes: Tim Dudley, Josi Lambson, Jennifer Stratton-Pies, Debbie Sullivan  
No: None  
Adjourned 8:10 PM

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**Mayor**

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**Clerk**