



**NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, March 27, 2012**  
**Minutes**

**Meeting Call to Order:** 7:00 PM

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Mayor Don Stevens, Councilors Jerry Arthurs, Charles Pace, Mike Baker, Tim Dudley and Jennifer Stratton-Pies

**Absent:**

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

**Guests Present**

Approximately 19 guests were present, including public works employees Bryan Henrichsen and Cameron Russell, and former utilities manager Ray Hays, Bethany O'Driscoll and Nanette Jones of the Sea Lion Defense Brigade, Jon Hunt of ATU 757, Pioneer Editor Philip Watness.

**Agenda Changes and Additions**

- **Councilor Pace moved to add a presentation by Jonathon Hunt of Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Local 757; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Arthurs.**

Council adjourned to Executive session to discuss potential litigation for 15 minutes at 7:02, with Attorney Ken Woodrich in attendance; they returned at 7:17 without making any decisions.

**Yes:** Councilors Pace

**Abstain:** Councilor Baker

**No:** Councilor Dudley, Stratton-Pies and Arthurs

**Failed** 3 – 1 – 1

**Public Hearings**

None.

**Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda included 3/13/12 Council Minutes and 3/27/12 Vouchers.

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve the council minutes; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Dudley.**

**Yes:** Councilors Pace, Baker, Dudley and Stratton-Pies

**No:** Councilor Arthurs

**Passed** 4 - 1

**Guest Presentations**

None.

## **Public Comment**

Bethany O'Driscoll and Nanette Jones (Sea Lion Defense Brigade) – provided an update on the Corps of Engineers' sea lion control efforts. Further information is available at their website at [www.sealiondefensebrigade.org](http://www.sealiondefensebrigade.org). Discussion ensued. They suggested the city might consider a resolution asking the state to look into the real causes of salmon decline rather than focusing on sea lions.

Mary Armantrout – Reminded the council to speak into their microphones.

Cheryl Jermann – Said she saw several council members drive by her house to a meeting and suggested that it looked bad.

Josie Lambson – Said that she is allowed to have a party at her house.

Diane Hamilton – Thanked John and Don for sending out information on meetings ahead of time.

Jonathon Hunt – Discussed issues between union employees and the city administration.

Paul Lambson – Expressed his irritation regarding city-union disagreements.

Cheryl Jermann – Expressed her disagreement with the union's position.

Judy Nappe – Expressed dissatisfaction with the tone of the meeting and with the union's position.

Virgil Viner – Expressed his disagreement with the way the current administration is running the city.

Jonathon Hunt – Said that citizen comments characterizing him were incorrect, and reiterated his complaints against the city.

Mary Armantrout – Said that any agreements between the union and the city should be upheld and that she supports city employees.

Cheryl Jermann – Said that the Mayor has to look out for all employees' interests.

Mayor Stevens called for a 5-minute break at 7:51. Meeting resumed at 7:55.

## **Council Member Comments**

Councilor Pace – Expressed appreciation for the sea lion discussion, responded to the concern about a party he attended, and thanked Mr. Hunt for his efforts to attend the meeting. He expressed his neutrality on the union-city disagreement, and expressed his support of city employees.

Councilor Arthurs – Expressed his disappointment that agenda items he had requested to be put on the agenda were not added. He asked for staff to call him rather than assuming that he reads his emails. He questioned what the mayor’s agenda was.

Councilor Stratton-Pies – Gave a report on the last Planning Commission.

### **Clerk/Treasurer’s Report**

Presented. John noted the organization assisting public works with the leak tests is Evergreen Rural Water. He also noted that the County Elections office has offered to place a ballot drop box near the postal box at the curb outside the post office.

- Councilor Baker asked for an update on the golf driving range.
- Councilor Pace asked about the SMP delays.
- Councilor Baker asked about the use of lodging tax revenues on the disc golf course. John and Ken explained that the similar uses of lodging taxes have been disallowed in other cities and similar situations. Discussion ensued regarding the use of hotel/motel tax revenues and related issues.

### **Attorney Report**

Ken commented that he will send emails to the North Bonneville email address and asked that council inform him if they have trouble receiving these emails. He also reminded council that all emails from him are protected by attorney-client privilege and are not disclosable.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### Audit Finding RE Overpaid Employees

John gave an update on the audit, explaining that the first phase (his review of payroll) is complete and that he has asked staff for feedback.

Councilor Baker – Said he would support turning the issue over to the prosecutor if there’s evidence of criminal misconduct. Councilor Stratton-Pies concurred.

Councilor Pace – Asked clarifying questions about the letters and process.

Cameron Russell – Expressed that he felt he was underpaid for 15 months.

Councilor Arthurs – Asked how much time John was spending on this project and expressed concern about its adequacy.

**New Business**

Resolution 441 – Building Permit Fees

John explained that this is basically a housekeeping resolution, adopting a fee structure that we've been using for some time.

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve Resolution 441; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Dudley.**

Councilor Pace noted that these fees are in line with the uniform building code and are similar to those of other jurisdictions.

**Yes: Councilors Arthurs, Pace, Baker, Dudley and Stratton-Pies**

**No:**

**Passed 5 - 0**

**Closing Comments**

John reminded council and the audience that there will be a finance committee meeting at 6:30 before the next regular council meeting.

Councilor Pace – asked for details on the finance meeting.

No public comments.

**Adjournment**

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to Adjourn; 2nd by Councilor Arthurs.**

**Yes: Councilors Pace, Stratton-Pies, Baker, Dudley, Arthurs.**

**No: None**

**Passed 5 - 0**

**Adjourned 8:25 PM**

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**Mayor**

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**Clerk**