

**FIFE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Fife City Hall  
Council Chambers**

**Date:  
March 23,  
2010  
Time: 7:00  
p.m.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**Godwin    Johnson    Hull    Cerqui    de  
Booy    Alveshere**

The following members were present: Mayor Johnson, Councilmember Alveshere, Councilmember de Booy, Councilmember Hull, Councilmember Godwin, and Councilmember Cerqui.

Staff Present: Steve Worthington, City Manager, Steve Marcotte, Assistant City Manager, David DeGroot, Finance Director, Greg Amann, Assistant City Attorney, Russ Blount, Public Works Director, Carl Durham, Community Development Director, Brad Blackburn, Chief of Police, Kurt Reuter, Parks and Recreation Director, Andrea Richards, Confidential Administrative Assistant, and Cindy L Dunn, Acting Deputy Clerk.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Hull led the pledge of allegiance.

**CHANGES, ADDITIONS OR**

Remove item 8A Ordinance #1713

**DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

Authorize Condemnation of Utility Easement from Joan Richter Property and add Resolution #1348 Authorize Purchase of Easement for Storm Drainage.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS  
( Items not on the agenda )**

There were no citizen comments at this time.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Councilmember de Booy moved, seconded by Councilmember Cerqui, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Approval of Minutes: Date:  
March 9, 2010 Council Meeting**

March 9, 2010 minutes

**Approval of Vouchers: Payroll:  
#46581 - #46618 \$388,240.00  
Claims: # Claim: #78810 -  
#78948 \$946,021.24 c. Set  
Special Meeting - Joint Planning  
Commission/Council and  
Councilmember Applicant  
Reception for April 6, 2010  
starting at 6:00 p.m. Fife City  
Hall.**

Payroll Vouchers

Claim Vouchers

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**Daffodil Princess (Worthington)**

2010 Daffodil Princess

Mayor Johnson presented Fife High School Representative Daffodil Princess Anne Phillips. Anne was one of 6 candidates applying for Daffodil Princess this year. Anne Phillips spoke about her pride in the Fife community and the Daffodil Festival. She also spoke about her accomplishments and her future goals of attending Central Washington University to one day become a school teacher. Anne also presented a poster of all the 2010 Daffodil Princesses to

the City and Council. Mayor Johnson then awarded Anne Phillips with an Outstanding Achievement Award.

**Fife High School Winter Sports Recognition (Ringus)**

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Mayor Johnson introduced Coach Mark Schelbert the boys Fife High School basketball coach Mark Shelbert. Coach Mike talked about their winning season as co-champs, 2nd consecutive district title and placed 7th at State. Coach Mike introduced 2 senior players, Chris Torres and Thomas Darneille. Mayor Johnson then presented Coach Mark with an Outstanding Achievement Award. Mayor Johnson then introduced and presented an Outstanding Achievement Award to Travis Markham a Fife High School wrestler and Ms. Amanda Fox, Assistant Vice Principal/Athletic Director. Ms. Fox spoke about the boys and girls wrestling teams and their winning records, achievements and their placement at State. Ms. Fox introduced wrestler and senior Travis Markham and asked him to share his goals with the Council. Travis talked about his plans to go to Green River Community College to pursue a career in teaching physical education.

**Recognition of Officer Schwan (Blackburn)**

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Mayor Johnson recognized and congratulated Officer Paula Schwann as the Classified Employee of the Year for her position as School Resource Officer. Ms. Fox from the High School also spoke about Paula Schwan's importance to the school and the respect her has from not only staff but from students as well. Officer Schwan spoke about the importance of the partnership between the Police Department, School and City to keep the students safe.

**COUNCIL DELEGATE  
REPORT**

Councilmember Godwin talked asked for volunteers to put daffodils on the float, Friday April 9th at 6:00 pm at the barn off of Valley Avenue right before Fed Ex. He also stated he attended a Puget Sound Partnership meeting working at bringing all agencies together on maintaining the Puget Sound and to clean it up by the year 2020.

Councilmember Hull represented the City of Fife at the Pierce County Regional Council meeting where they discussed how to hold cities and counties accountable for timelines on their projects. He also attended the American Fast Freight open house and he stated they have a great facility and how excited American Fast Freight is to be in Fife.

Mayor ProTem Cerqui stated he filled in for Mayor Johnson at the Council Budget Retreat on Saturday March 20th and that they covered a lot of ground and got a good start on budget items.

Councilmember de Booy stated she attended the Council Retreat and was please at the amount was accomplished. She stated she also attended the open house at American Fast Freight. And she talked about the Senior meals at the Community Center now being on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Councilmember Alveshere also stated he attended the Budget Retreat and was impressed at what was accomplished.

Mayor Johnson thanked his fellow councilmembers for attending meeting and filling in for him while he was away.

**ORDINANCES AND  
RESOLUTIONS  
ORDINANCES:**

**#1713 Authorize Condemnation  
of Utility Easement from Joan  
Richter Property (Blount)  
RESOLUTIONS:**

#1713

Removed from agenda

**#1347 Memorandum of  
Agreement (MOA) with Pierce  
County for Bridge Maintenance  
(Blount)**

#1347

**Councilmember Cerqui moved, seconded by Councilmember de Booy, to approve Resolution #1347 Memorandum of Agreement with Pierce County for Bridge Maintenance. Motion carried.**

Acting Deputy Clerk Dunn read the title of Resolution #1347

Memorandum of agreement between Pierce County and City of Fife regarding maintenance, repair, removal or replacement of Puyallup River bridge #18204-A, 66th Ave East (Milroy Bridge).

Director Blount stated that this resolution is a replacement to an expired agreement that was in place for 10 years. He talked about the fact that the City of Fife acquired half of the Milroy Bridge when it annexed the area south of the Union Pacific Railroad, between 54th and 70th Avenue East, in the mid 1990's. On November 19, 1998 the City negotiated a previous Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County regarding bridge maintenance. That agreement had a 10 year duration with two 5 year extensions authorized. Pierce County did not request extension of that Interlocal Agreement, rather requesting a new agreement with slightly modified language. He also stated that he recommends the provided negotiated agreement. The agreement addresses responsibilities shared and allocated by Pierce County and the City of Fife. He also stated that Fife paid Pierce County \$23,386.66 in 2008 and \$9,458.55

in 2009 for citywide bridge inspection and maintenance services and that most of this money was for the Milroy Bridge which is the most complex and oldest bridge in Fife.

Mayor Johnson asked why the County wanted a shorter term agreement from a 5 year to a 3 year and when was the last extensive inspection done?

Director Blount stated that the County just wanted a shorter term agreement and that the last major inspection was completed 2 years ago.

**#1341 Dacca Barn Construction Program - Postponed from 3-9-10 Meeting (Worthington)**

#1341

**Councilmember Cerqui moved, seconded by Councilmember de Booy, to approve Resolution #1341 Dacca barn construction program funding as amended. Motion carried unanimously.**

Acting Deputy Clerk Dunn read the title of Resolution #1341

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington authorizing the appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for construction of the Dacca Barn renovation project.

City Manager Steve Worthington discussed the remodel cost and allocation for the construction of the Dacca barn. He reviewed that the Fife Historical Society has come up with a cost of \$75,000 to complete construction of the Dacca barn project. In 2008 the City Council agreed to expend up to \$130,000 to finish the Dacca barn project. Much of the work was expected to be completed in 2008 so that only \$55,000 was appropriated in the 2009 budget, rather than the balance of the \$130,000. As a result, there were

insufficient appropriations in the 2009 budget to both fully reimburse the Fife Historical Society for all costs incurred on the project. He stated that he hopes to see future funding in the 2011 budget for the barn.

Former Mayor Mike Kelley, 3120 Freeman Road discussed the budgeting and cost of the barn construction.

Council commented on how great the barn looks and asked questions regarding current cost and future projected cost.

Councilmember Godwin made an amendment to the Resolution asking to state that the estimated cost of \$75,000 is to complete this year's phase of construction and that the money come from the Growth Management Fund to the Fife Historical Society for completion of this year's phase of construction.

**Councilmember Cerqui moved, seconded by Councilmember Alveshere, to approve to amend Resoution #1348 to state whereas, based on the project budget provided by the Historical Society, it is estimated that it will cost approximately \$75,000 to complete this year's phase of construction and it is hereby resolved that the City Council hereby authorizes the appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$75,000 from the Growth Management Fund to the Fife Historical Society for completion of this year's phase of construction of the Dacca Barn. Motion carried unanimously.**

**#1348 Authorize the Purchase of an Easement for Storm Drainage on/under a portion of Tax Parcel #04201730148.**

**Councilmember Cerqui moved, seconded by Councilmember de Booy, to approve the Purchase of an Easement for Storm Drainage on/under a portion of Tax**

**Parcel #04201730148. Motion carried unanimously.**

Acting Deputy Clerk Dunn read the title of Resolution #1348

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington authorizing the purchase of an easement for storm water drainage purposes on tax parcel #0430173018 in lieu of condemnation.

Director Blount reviewed that Resolution #1348 ratifies an agreement for purchase of an easement from the Richter property for storm water drainage purposes in lieu of condemnation.

Mayor ProTem Cerqui asked the depth of the pipe to be installed.

Director Blount stated the depth would be 8-14 feet deep and that there will be man holes installed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Review Process for Councilmember Applications

Review Process for Councilmember Applications (Worthington)

City Manager Worthington discussed a proposed process for the applicants for the open council position #7. He read the names of the applicants as Jay Marks, Pat Hulcey, Mary McGonigal, Carole Sue Braaten, Wayne Rogers, Timothy Curtis and Patrick Wallace. The proposed process would be first be a meet and greet in a social setting on Tuesday, April 6th at 6:00 pm at City Hall, next would be an interview process at the April 13th Council Meeting where each candidate would appear in front of Council with each being asked a set of predetermined questions and each candidate would be allowed 15 minutes for

question and answers. A simple lottery would be used to decide who goes in what order. The set of questions would come from various groups such as the community, local business owners and Councilmember's.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Worthington stated that Puget Sound Energy is on the Valley Avenue project early and work is progressing well. He mentioned that Police Reserve graduation is coming up April 3rd at 2:00 pm at PLU, Rob McKenna, Washington State Attorney General is scheduled to be a guest speaker. There is a Park Board and Tree Commission meeting scheduled for March 31st. He also stated he was recently appointed to the Pierce County Economic Board. He stated that he received correspondence from Regal Logistics asking if the City planned on taking a position regarding the Pierce Transit bus route downgrades and changes because they are stating that their work force is highly dependent on the bus system. He also stated that the Easter Egg hunt will be held on April 3rd at 9:45.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Alvashere restated that the Councilmember applicant process has started and in 2 weeks there will be a meet and greet forum and encourages the public to attend and meet the candidates.

Councilmember de Booy stated that she looks forward to the applicant process.

Mayor ProTem Cerqui thanked the applicants who applied and looks forward to the continued selection process.

Councilmember Hull stated that there was a request from the Radiance Homeowners Association if the gate on 54th Street near the tracks could be opened up during this

year's Easter egg hunt.

Councilmember Godwin stated again about the needed help for putting flowers on the Daffodil float on Friday April 9th.

Mayor Johnson welcomed Mike Kelley back to the chambers.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

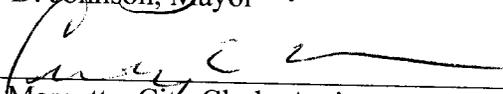
Mike Seeger, owner of Fife Flowers 1504 54th Ave. E. stated that the Council meetings are supposed to be run by Robert's Rules of Order and that Council and the Attorney and Staff need to make sure that the meetings are being run with those rules. He stated that he feels Council gets off track. He also stated he is interested in the Red Light Ticket Camera issue and thinks it's a great program helping to keep our Fife streets safe.

Carole Sue Braaten, Fife resident 2410 Berry Lane E., stated she went to a flood meeting and encourages others to attend future flood meetings and give input. She also would like City staff and Council to be involved with voicing concerns to Pierce Transit regarding their proposed downgrade service in Fife. And finally she stated that she also agrees with Mike Seeger that the Red Light ticket cameras are a good thing.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilmember Hull moved, seconded by Councilmember Cerqui, to approve adjournment of the Council meeting at 8:35 pm. Motion carried unanimously.**

  
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Barry D. Johnson, Mayor

  
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Steve Marcotte, City Clerk, Assistant City Manager *For Steve M.*

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