

**MINUTES**  
**PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JANUARY 21, 2003**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Pierce County Council was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Moss.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

The pledge was led by Moss.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Paul Bocchi, Shawn Bunney, Barbara Gelman, Calvin Goings, Terry Lee, Harold Moss, and Kevin Wimsett.

Staff Present: Gerri Johnson, Council Administrator/Clerks and Operations; Susan Long, Legal Counsel; and Tom Weber, Council Administrator/Research and Policy.

There were approximately 7 visitors present.

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Wimsett moved approval of the Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

a. Approval of Minutes

b. Action on Ordinances (refer, set date of hearing)

1. PROPOSAL NO. 2003-1, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTING A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO THE TOWN OF WILKESON, FOR LOCATION OF WATER LINES ON CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED RIGHTS-OF-WAY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE FRANCHISE.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Pat O'Malley

Contact person: Jerry West, 798-3687

For referral to the Public Works Committee

2. PROPOSAL NO. 2003-2, AN ORDINANCE OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL RELATING TO CONTRACTING INDEBTEDNESS; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SPECIFYING THE INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS, INTEREST RATE, TERMS AND COVENANTS, AND FIXING THE FORM OF A \$\_\_\_\_\_ PAR VALUE LIMITED TAX GENERAL

OBLIGATION REFUNDING BOND, 2003; ESTABLISHING A BOND REDEMPTION FUND; AND APPROVING THE SALE AND PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE BOND TO BANK OF AMERICA, N. A. OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Harold Moss

Contact person: Jack Rusler, 798-7551

For referral to the Rules and Operations Committee

Suggested date of Council hearing: February 18, 2003  
(evening meeting)\*

c. Action on Resolutions (refer, set date of hearing)

1. PROPOSAL NO. R2003-8, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL INITIATING AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR PIERCE COUNTY FOR 2003; CONFIRMING THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENTS BY THE CITIES AND TOWNS; CONFIRMING THE INITIATION OF AMENDMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE; AND REQUESTING THE PLANNING AND LAND SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT AN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF THE INITIATED AMENDMENTS, AND FORWARD THE ASSOCIATED REPORTS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, AFFECTED LAND USE ADVISORY COMMISSIONS, AND THE PIERCE COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL FOR ITS REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION BACK TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Calvin Goings

Contact person: Anna Graham, 798-6253

For referral to the Planning & Environment Committee

Suggested date of Council hearing: February 25, 2003

d. Other Items

Wimsett moved adoption of the Consent Agenda; motion seconded and passed on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

**VI. MESSAGES FROM EXECUTIVE/JUDGES/PROSECUTING ATTORNEY - None**

**VII. PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND/OR APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

1. PROPOSAL NO. R2003-7, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE NEW MEMBER, AND THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ONE EXISTING MEMBER, TO THE PIERCE COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD. (WILLIAM P.A. SCHEER AND JOE ALBERT)

Wimsett moved adoption; motion seconded. The Clerk read the title into the record.

Public Testimony

Joe Albert thanked the Council for his reappointment to the Board and provided an overview to the Council of the responsibilities and activities of the Pierce County Noxious Weed Board. Albert responded to questions from the Councilmembers about various problems in Pierce County with noxious weeds and the affects these weeds can have on animals.

The proposal passed on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

**VIII. ORDINANCES - None**

**IX. RESOLUTIONS**

**PROPOSAL NO. R2003-12, A RESOLUTION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ON MARCH 11, 2003, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE AFFECTED VOTERS THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER OR NOT THE TOWN OF WILKESON SHALL JOIN AND BE ANNEXED TO THE PIERCE COUNTY RURAL LIBRARY DISTRICT.**

Wimsett moved adoption; motion seconded.

Staff Testimony

Long explained that this Resolution calls for a special election on March 11, 2003, as a mail-in ballot election for the affected voters, to determine whether or not the Town of Wilkeson should join and be annexed to the Pierce County Rural Library District. Long pointed out that if there is an appeal filed on this issue, the Resolution would have no effect.

The Chair called for public testimony; there was no response. The Proposal passed on a roll call vote of seven to zero.

**X. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) Interlocal Agreement Update: Councilmember Linda Bird, University Place City Council. (Copies of the handouts are contained in the Clerk's meeting file.)

**XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

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**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at  
3:40 p.m.

Attest:

Gerri Johnson  
Clerk of the Council

Approved:

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Councilmember Harold Moss  
Council Chair

Date Approved