

# City of Gold Bar

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107 – 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, June 21, 2016

## CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Hodo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present were Councilmembers Dawson, Diaz, Martin, and Ware. Also present was Chief Casey, Public Works Director Light, and Clerk Stowe. Councilmember Wallace's absence was excused at the June 7<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to amend the agenda to remove Resolution #16-05 from the agenda and with a second by Councilmember Diaz the motion carried. This resolution will be on the agenda for July 5<sup>th</sup>.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hodo talked about recent increases in gas taxes and tab fees, and how this could potentially impact a transportation improvement district. He also talked about maintenance work being done around the city hall, and how busy the farmer's market has been.

## STAFF REPORT

Chief Casey said Brandon Perekz is still missing and asked for the public's help.

Director Light talked about water use and the efficiency report. There was discussion around the requirement to conserve, set goals, educate people, water leaks and their predictability, and how during the recent hot days, water usage in the city went from the typical 185,000 gallons to 850,000 gallons.

## COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Martin attended a follow-up meeting on tourism and talked about encouraging the bouldering community to come to Gold Bar.

## CITIZEN COMMENTS - none

## CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Ordinance #695, Title 8, Public Nuisances. Councilmember Dawson asked what the phrase 'unconstitutionally vague' meant and Chief Casey explained that some phrases are vague enough to not stand up in court. After brief discussion, Councilmember Ware moved to accept Ordinance #695 for a second reading and adoption, and with a second by Councilmember Diaz the motion carried.

2. Transportation Improvement District. There was discussion around the formation of this district, including recent increases in fuel tax and tab fees, that the County could create a district for Gold Bar and raise fees immediately, how the city could create a district and withhold creating increases for two years, and that the revenue had to be

project specific. After discussion, Councilmember Diaz moved to create a Transportation Benefit District and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Ordinance #696. Critical Areas Update. Councilmember Martin moved to accept Ordinance #696 for an introduction and first reading, and with a second by Councilmember Diaz the motion carried with Councilmember Ware opposed.

2. 10<sup>th</sup> Street Engineering. Engineering costs for work on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> streets will be around \$89,000. There was discussion around specifics of the water main project, the cost of the project, the possibility of obtaining a loan through USDA, and the inexpensive cost for the engineering design compared to more typical fees. Councilmember Diaz moved to approve \$89,000 for engineering for this project and with a second by Councilmember Dawson the motion carried.

**FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS**

Councilmember Dawson has utilized Municipal Research Services Center and the Association of Washington Cities, and asked what the difference was between municipal codes and ordinances. Clerk Stowe explained that ordinances create the municipal code.

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to amend the minutes to correct a statement he made and to correct the spelling of Mr. Perezc's name, and with a second by Councilmember Diaz the motion carried.

**VOUCHER APPROVAL**

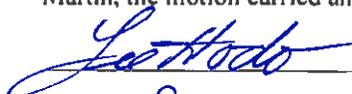
Councilmember Diaz moved to approve vouchers 31428 through 31457, with \$2,200.00 for payroll and \$26,619.40 for claims, for a total of \$28,819.40 as presented and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

**OPEN FORUM**

Inessa Pearce, president of the Skykomish Valley Environmental and Economic Alliance talked about the issues with toxic spraying and clear cut logging. There was discussion around the city's limited ability to assist in anything outside of city limits, problems with logging, issues with parking and the State parks, and funding for the State parks.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Diaz moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

 \_\_\_\_\_, Lee Hodo, Mayor

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