

City of Gold Bar

EST. 1910



107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, January 3, 2017

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Hodo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present was Mayor Hodo, and Councilmembers Dawson, Diaz, Martin, and Wallace. Also present was Chief Casey and Clerk Stowe.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to accept the agenda as presented and with a second by Councilmember Dawson the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hodo talked about his concerns with the contract submitted by Republic Services. He also said the radar signs have arrived and will be installed.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Casey talked about upcoming staffing changes.

Clerk Stowe told the Council that the bill for the porta-potty in the highway 2 park has been twice as much recently due to additional hazardous materials. Since the Farmer's Market is closed for the season she asked the Council to consider action on the pottie. Councilmember Wallace moved to return the porta-potty and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS - None

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Solid Waste Contract. There are two versions of the contract submitted by Republic Services and it is not clear which contract the city should review. Councilmember Dawson found thirty discrepancies between the two versions and some of those he touched on were also concerns of Councilmember Wallace's. Discussion included those discrepancies, the CPI figures, terms of the contract, and rates and increases. After discussion, Clerk Stowe was asked to contact Republic Services for a clearly defined contract for review. Additionally, Councilmember Wallace was asked to contact Waste Management to see if a draft contract might be available for comparisons.

2. Bank Balances. Councilmember Dawson talked about the pros and cons for investment options for the city. The only option with no risk is the currently used Local Government Investment Pool. After brief discussion, Councilmember Dawson moved to invest \$500,000 in the Local Government Investment Pool and Councilmember Martin seconded the motion. Councilmember Wallace then moved to amend the motion to include bi-annual review of bank balances and with a second by Councilmember Dawson the amended motion carried.

3. Open Council Position. At the previous meeting the Council received a letter of interest and resume from Kolt Nehls but chose to withhold a decision until Councilmember Wallace could be present. Clerk Stowe reminded the

Council that their options included leaving the position open until the next election cycle, leaving the position open for other letters of interest to come in, appointing Mr. Nehls, or delaying the appointment of Mr. Nehls. After brief discussion, Councilmember Martin moved to not fill the open Council position at this time and leave it open for further options, and with a second by Councilmember Wallace the motion carried. After the vote was called, Mr. Nehls rescinded his application.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Snohomish Health District Board Certification. This is the annual certification of a representative for the City to the Health District Board. Councilmember Wallace moved to accept Monroe City Councilmember Jeff Rassmussen as the City's representative to the Health District Board and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Clerk Stowe asked Councilmember Martin to attend a Snohomish Health District meeting on January 30th relating to the sale of their Rucker building.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Councilmember Diaz moved to accept the December 20, 2016 minutes as presented and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Diaz moved to approve vouchers 31845 through 31871, with \$36,986.81 for payroll, benefits, and payroll taxes, and \$16,798.93 for claims, for a total of \$53,785.74 as presented and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Councilmember Diaz moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Wallace, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

 _____, Lee Hodo, Mayor

 _____, Lisa Stowe, Clerk