

City of Gold Bar

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107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

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

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 Yarbrough. Also present was Public Works Director Light, Chief Casey, and Clerk Stowe.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Diaz moved to accept the agenda as amended to correct check numbers and with a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT - None

STAFF REPORT

Chief Casey talked about car prowls, a car theft, and the recent security breach with Equifax. He also talked about the Las Vegas shooting and reminded everyone to pay attention when out in public to where you are, how you can get out, and what to do if things get bad, such as getting low or getting out. He said you can't get out fast if you haven't paid attention to where your exits are.

Director Light talked about the recent failure of well 3's pump and motor. It's been replaced and is running fine.

COUNCIL COMMENTS - None

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Arthur West talked about procedures in adopting and following resolutions, open government, how to govern small cities, behavior during open meetings, and the U.S. Constitution.

Lori Shavilk talked about requests for public records.

Anne Block talked about publishing her first book, Chief Casey, civil rights, Snohomish County Court, City personnel, former employees, former mayors, and public records.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Resolution #17-11, Purchasing and Procurement. Councilmember Dawson suggested changes in wording to clarify specific passages. After discussion, Councilmember Diaz moved to approve Resolution

17-11 relating to Purchasing and Procurement as amended, and with a second by Councilmember Dawson the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing.

Clerk Stowe called the public hearing to order at 7:29 pm for the City's review of Resolution 17-10 relating to the six-year transportation improvement plan (TIP) and Resolution 17-14 amending the City's fee schedule.

After calling the hearing to order, Clerk Stowe reviewed the hearing process, including receiving testimony only if relevant to the applicable agenda, options if any party wished to continue the hearing, and that the Council must be impartial and must disclose any ex parte contact, breaches of appearance of fairness, or conflict of interest.

After reviewing the guidelines, Clerk Stowe called on the Council for any disclosures. No Councilmember disclosed any reason to be recused from the public hearing.

Clerk Stowe then opened the hearing to discussion and comments, beginning with Resolution 17-10. Director Light briefly reviewed what the TIP is, how often it must be renewed, how it relates to receiving grants and loans, and projects. After brief discussion, Councilmember Dawson moved to approve Resolution 17-10 relating to the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan as presented, and with a second by Councilmember Yarbrough, the motion carried.

Clerk Stowe presented Resolution 17-14 amending the City's fee schedule, and reviewed all the proposed changes. There was brief discussion around color copies, incorrect numbering in one section, a missing 'Whereas' from previous amendments, and previous resolutions. After discussion, Councilmember Diaz moved to approve Resolution 17-14 amending the City's fee schedule as amended to correct numbering and include the missing 'whereas', and Councilmember Martin seconded the motion. Discussion on the motion then followed.

Arthur West talked about fees for animal control and public records.

Anne Block talked about fees for animal control and fees for technical expertise for public record requests.

Lori Shavilk started to talk about city staff and responding to public records. Clerk Stowe stopped her and reminded her that, as announced at the start of the hearing, comments would only be accepted on the specific agenda items; in this case the fee schedule resolution.

With no further discussion, Mayor Hodo called for a vote on the motion to approve the resolution, and the motion carried.

Clerk Stowe asked the Council for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Diaz moved to adjourn the public hearing and with a second by Councilmember Dawson, the motion carried. The public hearing was adjourned at 8.00 pm and the Council returned to the regular agenda.

2. Snohomish County Radio System. Chief Casey gave background information on the current radio system, noting that it is failing and will be obsolete beginning in 2020. He talked about options for replacement, federal requirements, and the possibility of a tax initiative to cover costs vs. the City having

to pay a share. There was discussion around the type of radio system being considered, the location of repeaters, and when the current radio system would be paid off. No action was taken.

3. Resolution 17-12. Resolution 17-12 relating to the position of Public Records Officer was presented for action. Councilmember Diaz moved to approve Resolution 17-12 relating to public records as presented and with a second by Councilmember Yarbrough, the motion carried.

4. Resolution 17-13, Public Records Manual. There was brief discussion around RCWs and the phrases ‘may’, ‘will’, and ‘shall’. Councilmember Dawson moved to postpone action until the next Council meeting and with a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS - None

MINUTES APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to amend the September 19th, 2017 minutes to correct wording around the motion to adopt the agenda, and with a second by Councilmember Yarbrough, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Diaz moved to approve checks numbered 32390 through 32439 with \$36,888.57 for claims and \$41,015.28 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$77,903.85 and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

Arthur West talked about Resolution 17-12, good faith responses, previous public records requests, the process of other small cities, personal vendettas, City staff, and viewing public records.

Anne Block talked about the importance of public records, her rights, previous mayors, litigations, council meetings, and the policies she’ll implement when she’s the next Snohomish County Executive. She also stated she had plenty of money, was in excellent health, and planned on being around for the next thirty years.

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 8:27 pm.

_____, Lee Hodo, Mayor

_____, Lisa Stowe, Clerk