

City of Gold Bar

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107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, January 2, 2018

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Clem called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Diaz, Martin, Wallace, and Yarbrough. Also present was Chief Casey, Public Works Director Light, and Clerk Stowe.

OATHS OF OFFICE

Oaths of Office were administered to Mayor Clem and Councilmembers Diaz, Martin, and Yarbrough.

OPEN COUNCIL POSITION

Two letters of interest in the open council position were received. Bill Henry was unable to attend the meeting. Demi Penter-Phillips was present. After brief discussion, Councilmember Martin moved to not make a decision both could attend, and with a second by Councilmember Yarbrough the motion carried.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve the agenda as presented, and with a second by Councilmember Wallace, the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Clem is looking forward to the coming year and was happy to have multiple people interested in the open council position.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Casey talked about burglaries in town and how social media is showing a lot of people with 'lock and load' commentaries. He encouraged people to, instead, pay attention to neighbors and immediately call 911 if suspicious behavior is seen. He talked about how the burglaries are during the day, that small things are being stolen which may mean the person is on foot, and how one burglary in particular is possibly associated with a registered sex offender they are searching for. The other burglaries do not appear associated with that person. He said there was a rash of thefts around Christmas related to a person stealing Christmas decorations. He also said there are a lot of rumors and exaggerated reports. He encouraged people to call 911 or the non-emergency number, and reminded people that the Sheriff's Department has resources to help communities establish local Block Watch programs.

Director Light is working on funding for the 10th Street project and hopes to go out to bid soon.

Clerk Stowe updated the Council on the per capita request from the Health District that they voted to approve at the previous meeting. She said no interlocal is yet in place for 2018 and because of that there would be no payments made to the Health District until the interlocal was approved.

Clerk Stowe also said that there was a citizen opening on the City's Finance Committee and asked interested parties to contact the City Hall.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Martin is looking forward to the coming year.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - none

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Resolution #17-18, amending the personnel manual. Clerk Stowe was asked at the last meeting to bring an amended version to the Council. However, the city attorney is still working on this amendment. Councilmember Wallace moved to continue the resolution until the next meeting in order to address attorney comments and with a second by Councilmember Diaz the motion carried.

2. Ordinance #710, amending the 2017 budget. After the final December bills, Clerk Stowe was able to lower the proposed budget figures. After review, Councilmember Wallace moved to accept Ordinance #710 amending the 2017 budget for a second reading and adoption, and with a second by Councilmember Yarbrough, the motion carried.

3. 2018 Crime Stoppers Agreement. Clerk Stowe presented an invoice with the amount of \$193.58 due for 2018. Councilmember Diaz moved to authorize the mayor to enter into the agreement with Crime Stoppers and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS - None

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS - None

MINUTES APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to amend the December 19th, 2017 minutes to change 'recommendation' to 'resignation', and with a second by Councilmember Wallace, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Diaz moved to approve checks numbered 32596 through 32630 with \$10,001.78 for claims and \$40,724.05 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$50,725.83 and with a second by Councilmember Martin the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Councilmember Yarbrough moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Wallace, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.

William Clem, Mayor

Lisa Stowe, Clerk