

# 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, January 15, 2019

### **CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL**

Mayor Pro Tem Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Diaz, Phillips, and Yarbrough. Also present was Clerk Stowe. Mayor Clem is out of town.

Councilmember Phillips moved to excuse Councilmember Wallace's absence and with a second by Councilmember Diaz the motion carried.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Clerk Stowe asked the Council to amend the agenda to add Resolution No. 19-01. Councilmember Phillips moved to amend the agenda to add the resolution and with a second by Councilmember Diaz, the motion carried.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Pro-Tem Martin thanked Richard Baker for taking care of a hydrant leak on the weekend.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Chief Casey talked about burglaries and thefts, including one where the person was arrested in a stolen car at McDonald's. He thanked Deputy Doersch for his good work on the case. He also talked about a hit and run, and answered Councilmember Yarbrough's question regarding special operations by the Drug Task Force.

Clerk Stowe relayed a message from Office Manager Beaston. Parcels of land within city limits pay the water assessment fee. During an internal review, Ms. Beaston found that some parcels were not paying the assessment. She has contacted property owners and will begin charging the fee, anticipating that this will bring in an additional \$2,000 in revenue annually for the capital water fund.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Phillips brought up weekend traffic on May Creek Road and talked about a Facebook petition to turn that road into one that is restricted to local access only. Clerk Stowe said that traffic is the responsibility of the Sheriff's deputies, but regarding the road itself she did not think it was legal to change it to local access. Chief Casey concurred, saying that can't be done on an arterial, or on one that isn't a dead end. Additionally, it would be impossible to enforce. He said the posts on Facebook are part of a movement including other streets in other cities, and is trying to make all County roads local access

only. He will have deputies look at the traffic, but at times like the high volume this past weekend, those deputies are also stuck in traffic. Chief Casey will also talk to the Mayor when he is back.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Chuck Lie informed the Council that Ralph Woods passed away. He said Mr. Woods was the cream of the crop in town and will be missed.

### **CONTINUED BUSINESS - none**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

*Health District Representative.* Clerk Stowe presented the annual letter appointing a representative to the Health District for the City of Gold Bar. She talked about options to the Council for representation, and also that she will continue to try and get the representative to give feedback and information to the Council. Councilmember Yarbrough moved to appoint Linda Redmon as representative, and with a second by Councilmember Phillips, the motion carried.

*Health District Letter of Support.* The Health District has applied for a grant to promote physical activity and nutrition in Snohomish County, and asked the City for a letter of support. Councilmember Phillips moved to authorize Director Light to submit a letter of support, and with a second by Councilmember Diaz the motion carried.

*Resolution No. 19-01 Amending the Personnel Manual.* The City is in the process of interviewing for a new Public Works Director. It is anticipated that this will involve a new employee having to obtain certifications, some of which can be expensive. Discussion around this brought to the attention of Clerk Stowe that the Personnel Manual has nothing on expectations around certifications. Resolution No. 19-01 adds a new section to the Personnel Manual requiring all employees who receive certifications paid for by the City, to agree to work for the city for one year after obtaining the certification. If they leave employment prior to then, they will reimburse the City for the full cost of the certification. After discussion, Councilmember Yarbrough moved to adopt Resolution No. 19-01 as presented and with a second by Councilmember Diaz, the motion carried.

### **FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS**

Councilmember Martin said that Mayor Clem will be addressing the Sky Valley Chamber of Commerce at the Sultan City Hall, on February 6<sup>th</sup>, regarding the health of the city. This will be at noon.

Councilmember Yarbrough asked about December's actuals and there was brief discussion around those. Clerk Stowe said that with the budget amendment regarding the general fund, all funds ended the year within budget. Councilmember Diaz thanked her.

### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Yarbrough moved to accept the minutes of December 18<sup>th</sup> as presented, and with a second by Councilmember Diaz, the motion carried.

### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Diaz moved to approve checks numbered 33356 through 33387 with \$7,032.58 for claims and \$38,920.79 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$45,953.37, and checks numbered

33388 through 33415 with \$69,895.64 for claims and \$2,200.00 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$72,095.64 with a second by Councilmember Yarbrough, the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Phillips moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Councilmember Diaz, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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William Clem, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk