

# City of Gold Bar

EST. 1910



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### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

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### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers stated that Lee Hodo will go before the County Council on February 26, 2013 at 3pm. On February 27<sup>th</sup> Councilmember Martin will be leaving to do some traveling for a while, so unless Council holds a Special Council meeting to swear in Mr. Hodo on February 26, 2013 there would be no quorum to do so on March 5<sup>th</sup> due to Councilmember Martin's absence. After some discussion there was an agreement to hold a Special Council Meeting on February 26, 2013 at 7PM for the swearing in of Lee Hodo.

### **STAFF REPORT**

**Utility Clerk Beaston:** Stated that she had been accepted to the Animal Control Academy and thanked Council for the opportunity.

**Public Works Director John Light:** Briefly talked about the conference he had attended in Yakima, stating it was good training. He briefly talked about the Shoreline Master Plan, street sweeping and the replacement of water meters and the reason behind it.

**Chief Casey:** Stated that last week after a theft that had taken place they were able to arrest the suspect within minutes, the individual happens to be the same person who had stolen the tip jars from the espresso stand in town.

Chief Casey stated that Deputy Alex Ross had made 3 separate arrests the night before, all 3 with outstanding warrants. The last gentleman to be arrested took off before Deputy Ross was able to get the call out on the radio and ended up in quite a struggle with the individual, bruising both hands; he has some swelling but will be ok. A citizen driving a lifted white Chevy pulled up and asked if the deputy needed assistance, Deputy Ross was pretty worn out from the struggle and backup was a ways out, so the citizen got down and helped Deputy Ross make the arrest and get the individual into handcuffs. Chief Casey asked that if anyone knows who this citizen is that helped out, to please let him know, he would like to personally thank him.

Chief Casey finished by stating that the Deputies had been making bits of progress with identifying and getting better information on the individuals bringing drugs into town and it is starting to impact those individuals.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Ware:** Talked briefly about what he expects to see when Council is being asked to approve funding for training and that staff needs to show what benefit the training will provide to the city and citizens prior to the funding being approved. Some discussion ensued.

**Councilmember Martin:** Was happy to see Lee Hodo and is looking to serving on City Council with him and believes he has some real talent to bring to the Council. Councilmember Martin finished by referencing to the individual that stopped to help that deputy, by saying that it is wonderful to see citizens who support and help the town.

**Councilmember Strom:** Briefly went over the training that the Councilmembers had attended on Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> and stated it was a great class.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Jay Jefferies, 112 Megan Court, Gold Bar had great concerns over the activity that is taking place at the property behind him, there appears to be 7 or so campers back on the property with no proper waste containment or garbage containment and he is concerned with the health risk that it is causing. The individuals are also driving vehicles on a path that is not open to vehicle travel. Chief Casey stated that they have identified the property owner and are working with the owner to clean up the property; they also brought in Snohomish County Health Department to walk through the property and document the conditions in regards to how they are draining their waste water and handling their garbage. Chief Casey stated that the owner was given a date by which the trailers needed to be removed and that after that date he would receive a \$100 per day fine for anything remaining. The individuals living there will also receive a \$100 fine per day. Chief Casey finished by stating that there are similar properties in Gold Bar with the same activities going on and that they are also handling those properties the same way.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **1. DISCUSSION: FIRE STATION**

Mayor Beavers stated that being Councilmember Martin is a volunteer EMT for the Fire Station, that there is a question of appearance of conflict and although no action is going to be taken tonight that it might be better if the discussion was moved until Lee Hodo can be on the Council.

Councilmember Strom made a motion to table the discussion of the Fire Station until Tuesday, March 5, 2013 meeting with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. INTERODUCTION: PENALTY ORDINANCE UPDATES**

Mayor Beavers gave a brief review of the Penalty Ordinance update and what it entails. Some discussion ensued.

### **2. INTRODUCTION: HEARING EXAMINER ORDINANCE**

Mayor Beavers talked briefly about the Hearing Examiner and what it would mean for the city. Much discussion ensued on the difference between a Planning Commission and an Examiner. Frank Linth, Sultan Planning Board Members talked about the bonuses of having a Hearing Examiner and briefly stated what their role is as a Planning Board Member.

### **3. DISCUSSION: ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ACCESS LEGISLATION**

Mayor Beavers went over the proposed house bill on All-Terrain Vehicle Access on city roads. Much discussion ensued. Mayor Beavers will provide Councilmembers with the full proposed bill for their evaluation.

### **4. APPROVAL: OFFICE TEMP MARCH 11-22**

Mayor Beavers stated that Sherrie Dougherty has applied with Express Employment Services to fill the position created while Utility Clerk Beaston is out for training.

Councilmember Strom made a motion giving Mayor Beavers authority to contract with the temp agency to bring in Sherrie Dougherty for a total of 40hrs over the two weeks Utility Clerk Beaston will be out for a maximum of \$850.00 with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

## **5. DISCUSSION: EGG HUNT MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup>**

Mayor Beavers stated that the Easter Egg Hunt is on Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>, much discussion ensued on the issue of having the word Easter attached to Egg Hunt and the fact that there is no budget for this function from the cities side.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to authorize the administration to work on the Egg Hunt on city time with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Martin made a motion to approve the minutes for Tuesday, February 5, 2013 as written with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Minutes were approved as written by 3-0.

## **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve expeditor of payroll vouchers 20171-20173 for a total sum of \$2,000.00 and then for claims vouchers 20174-20195 for a total sum of \$47,607.42 with the grand total being \$49,607.42, Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS - None**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All Councilmembers were present.

### **OATH OF OFFICE FOR POSITION 2**

Mayor Beavers led Lee Hodo through the Oath of Office. All councilmembers then posed for a group photo.

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### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Agenda was approved as written by 3-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

No report.

### **STAFF REPORT**

**Utility Clerk Beaston:** No report.

**Public Works Director John Light:** Stated that he is getting close on the Shoreline Master Plan, Department of Ecology has a few more items to work out then it moves onto the SEPA process, from there goes back to Council. Mr. Light talked briefly about the Well 4 contract.

**Chief Casey:** Stated that Deputy Ross had been out for a week due to injuries he sustained during the arrest he had made that was discussed at the last Council meeting. He finished by stating that the property on SR2 that had all the trailers parked with people living in them has finally cleared out the last of the residences that had been living there. The Deputies will continue to watch the property.

Some discussion ensued on the Sheriff's Report that was given out and the traffic call numbers.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

No Comments from Council.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **1. MOTION: UNTABLE FIRE STATION DISCUSSION**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to un-table the Fire Station discussion with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

### **2. DISCUSSION: FIRE STATION**

Councilmember Ware went over the Fire Station discussion from the prior Council meetings to give Councilmember Hodo an idea of what had been discussed. Councilmember Ware stated that at this point there is a joint ownership of the Fire Station between the City and the Fire District; Councilmember Ware has had several citizens talk to him about it and would like to see a single ownership, he also believes this to be the best option for citizens. Much discussion ensued.

There was a consensus of the Council to allow Mayor Beavers to write up a formal response for the sale of the Fire Station for the offered price once it has been passed through MSRC and Attorney General's Office and then through the cities attorney. Mayor Beavers will have something concrete to bring back to Council at the next meeting.

A brief discussion ensued on the possibility of a term on the sale that would ensure that the building be maintained as a Fire Station.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. FIRST READING: PENALTY ORDINANCE**

Mayor Beavers gave a brief description of the ordinance. Some discussion ensued.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to hear the First Reading of the Penalty Ordinance with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Mayor Beavers did a first reading of the Penalty Ordinance by title.

## **2. FIRST READING: HEARING EXAMINER ORDINANCE**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to hear the First Reading of Hearing Examiner Ordinance with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Brief discussion ensued on the title of the ordinance with Mayor Beavers making some changes to include Ordinance numbers.

Mayor Beavers did a first reading of the Hearing Examiner Ordinance.

## **3. UPDATE: OFFICE TEMP MARCH 11-22**

Mayor Beavers stated that Sherrie Dougherty is still on disability and in job training session and will not be able to fill in at City Hall while Utility Clerk Beaston is out for the Animal Control Academy and that City Hall will be closed at times.

Utility Clerk Beaston stated that she would come in each night after she gets back from training to post payments and take care of anything else that needs attention.

## **4. INTRODUCTION: COUNCIL APPLICANT**

Mayor Beavers stated that the applicant had lived in May Creek Tracts, not within the city limits. The applicant had thought that May Creek Tracts were within the city limits.

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## **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve Payroll Vouchers 20196-20209 for a total of \$17,275.36 and Claims Vouchers 20210-20217 and 20219-20223 for a total of \$8,355.17 with a grand total of \$25,630.53 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion.

Voucher number 20218 for \$852.50 was withheld until Public Works Director John Light can get more information on what all the payment covered.

Motion passed 3-0.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Earl Miner, 700 Linda Ave, has concerns over the gravel road on Linda in front of his residence. The road over time has become higher and is draining onto his property and flowing underneath

his residence causing the house to settle. Much discussion ensued with Public Works Director John Light stating that he would go out and take a closer look at the situation.

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The Mayor reported that the City has about \$ 60 left in fund 003, Egg Hunt. This money was donated by citizens in 2012 to support the hunt. The Sky Valley Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring this year's hunt and the Mayor suggested those funds be transferred to the Chamber. By motion of Councilmember Strom and second by Councilmember Hodo to transfer remaining funds in the Egg Hunt fund to the Sky Valley Chamber of Commerce. Motion passed 4-0.

The Mayor noted that the Fire Station sale and the Cingular lawsuit will be covered at the next Council meeting as neither issue is ready for this meeting.

### **STAFF REPORT**

**Public Works Director John Light:** Presented the schedule to completion for the Shoreline Master Plan. A Workshop and Public Hearing has been planned for the Council Meeting of May 21. Discussion ensued about the overlap between the SMP and the new FEMA rules.

The Well 4 Maintenance and Repair Contract has been signed and work is scheduled to start on Monday, March 25.

**Chief Casey:** Noted that there was nothing new on the dog bite issue from last Sunday. He has noticed that there are lots of dogs in town that are not licensed and will start notifying residents to do so. Still working on the area home burglaries. The Department did get the State Patrol to expedite the finger print analysis due to the multiple similar robberies.

He discussed the current ORV legislation results. The legislation previously agreed upon got changed in the process and support for it was lost.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Ware:** no comments

**Councilmember Martin:** Glad to be back and looking forward to the Egg Hunt.

**Councilmember Strom:** Received a “robbery in your neighborhood” telephone call. Chief Casey noted that while Snohomish County has a reverse 911 ability, the call did not come from them. Discussion ensued and it was expected that this was a marketing call.

**Councilmember Hodo:** Discussed the Block Watch emails on suspicious activities. Chief Casey said that when such an activity is noticed, one should call 911. Getting notice out to the Sheriff a day or two later does not produce any results. There was a general discussion on area burglaries with Steve Four describing his actions to restrain a thief until the Deputy arrived. Councilmember Hodo then asked about maintenance of the easement in front of a residence. John Light said he would get the code on this to him.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: PENALTY ORDINANCE 641**

Councilmember Martin made a motion to make the Second Reading and Approval of Penalty Ordinance 641 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. After discussion, two typo errors were corrected and Councilmember Martin and Strom amended their motion to include the corrections. Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Beavers made a second reading of Penalty Ordinance 641 by title.

## **2. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: HEARING EXAMINER ORDINANCE 642**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to make the Second Reading and Approval of Hearing Examiner Ordinance 642 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Beavers made a second reading of Hearing Examiner Ordinance 642 by title.

## **3. RESOLUTION 13-01: GOLD DUST DAYS**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve Resolution 13-01 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. After discussion, an erroneous date was corrected. Councilmembers Hodo and Strom amended their motion to include the correction. Motion passed 4-0.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

No minutes were available for approval.

## **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve Claims 20224 – 20244 for the amount of \$ 23,395.52 with a second by Councilmember Strom. Motion passed 4-0.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Steve Four and Sharon Williams of 507 1st Ave West asked about their water supply which was exhibiting color, sediment, and odor. John Light said to call him the next time this happened and he would investigate.

Dylan Windham asked about living in a travel trailer on a residential lot. John Light said he could get a 30 day temporary permit but that continual living was not allowed. Chief Casey noted that they were moving multiple people out of such trailers over town and suggested where Dylan could get assistance for his living needs.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilmember Martin with a second by Councilmember Strom to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk



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**City of Gold Bar  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, April 2, 2013**

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Strom, Hodo and Martin were present. Public Works Director John Light, Utility Clerk Beaston and Sergeant Casey were also present.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion. Agenda was approved as written by 4-0.

**MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers gave a brief update on the Cingular Wireless Lawsuit, much discussion ensued.

**STAFF REPORT**

**Utility Clerk Beaston:** Gave a brief report on the Animal Control Academy that she attended in March, stating that it was a great experience with lots of information that was given by very experienced instructors. She finished by thanking the Council for letting her attend.

**Public Works Director John Light:** Stated that Pump Tech had been out and pulled well 4 and had run a video camera down through the well to look at the inside, he has CDs if anyone wants a copy. Mayor Beavers had put up photos of well 4 on the wall for everyone to see. Public Works Director Light went through explaining what was in the pictures and stated that the inner 6" sleeve and the 14ft pump that is at the bottom of the well needs to be replaced. Some discussion ensued.

**Chief Casey:** Stated that burglaries in the area are still high, they are making some headway with their investigation with hope of getting it wrapped up soon.

He stated that Crime Stoppers have offered a reward in regards to the burglary at the U.S. Post Office in Sultan, they have been receiving many calls in regards to that.

Casey added that Deputy Grinder is commended for snatching a jumper from the railing of a bridge and is credited with preventing a young man's death by suicide.

Chief Casey talked briefly about the dog bite that took place in March, the bite turned out to be not as bad as first reported, the dog still remains unidentified. There had been another incident with a dog attacking another dog in the 500 block of Croft Ave West, Utility Clerk Beaston briefly talked about the situation.

Chief Casey finished by stating that currently the deputies are working on a couple parking issues in the city.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Hodo stated that he believes that both John Light and Richard Baker are doing a wonderful job. Councilmember Hodo had questions on the Cingular Wireless Lawsuit, Mayor Beavers briefly explained what the suit was in regards too. A brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Strom stated that he had signed up for the April 16<sup>th</sup> Planning Seminar in Sultan and wouldn't be making it to the Council meeting.

There was some discussion on attending the Planning Seminar on April 16<sup>th</sup> in Sultan.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to postpone the city council meeting scheduled for April 16<sup>th</sup> and instead move it to April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Councilmember Strom seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilmember Martin stated that the Easter Egg Hunt in Gold Bar was fantastic with many families coming out to participate and many more that came to volunteer their help in the festivities.

Councilmember Ware stated that there was no money spent on the Easter Egg hunt on the cities end. He briefly talked about the Cingular Wireless Lawsuit and stated that the finance committee doesn't want to incur any more additional money on legal expenses. Brief discussion ensued.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Susan Susor, talked about supporting Valley General Hospital in the upcoming levy and what could be affected if the levy didn't pass. Some brief discussion ensued.

### **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. FIRST READING: ORDINANCE 643-GBMC 2.16.040 COMPENSATION**

Mayor Beavers went over the reason for the Ordinance explaining that the current Ordinance wording on Councilmembers and Mayor waiving their salary isn't very clear. Councilmember Hodo stated that he did not want to receive a salary; he doesn't want it on his income tax and would like to waive his salary.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 643 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion.

Mayor Beavers did the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 643.

Motion passed 4-0.

### **2. RESOLUTION 13-02: FIRE STATION SALE**

Mayor Beavers presented Resolution 13-02. Some discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers asked council if Councilmember Martin should recuse herself. Councilmembers Hodo, Ware and Strom all agreed that she should recuse herself. Councilmember Martin went and sat in the audience for the discussion.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve Resolution 13-02 as presented with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilmember Martin returned to her seat.

### **3. DISUCSSION: HEARING EXAMINER**

Mayor Beavers went over the prior contracts that the city had with the Hearing Examiner. Much discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers will have the past contract reviewed by the city attorney and AWC before the next meeting and have the Hearing Examiner Mr. Gault here to do a presentation.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Martin had two corrections one on March 5, 2013 and another correction on March 19, 2013. Councilmember Ware had a change to the minutes of March 19, 2013. Changes were made to both set of minutes.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the minutes for Tuesday, March 5, 2013 as modified with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the minutes for Tuesday, March 19, 2013 as modified with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to accept for payment Vouchers 20245-20273 with the exception of voucher 20263 for a total of \$93,194.32 with councilmember Strom seconding the motion.

Mayor Beavers explained why voucher 20263 was withheld and that he may approve the release once the accounting question was cleared up. Some discussion ensued.

Motion passed 4-0.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilmember Ware with a second by Councilmember Martin to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

# City of Gold Bar

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 23, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Strom, Hodo and Martin were present. Public Works Director John Light and Sergeant Casey were also present.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Agenda was approved as written by 4-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers discussed the sidewalk project. The sidewalk is physically finished with some loose ends. The project is coming in over budget by up to 5%. Negotiations are underway to resolve the billing issues. The current Mayor's Summary document was reviewed.

The current plans for the Reiter Recreational Area as received from the DNC were discussed.

### **STAFF REPORT**

**Public Works Director John Light:** discussed the on-going fire inspections being done by the Snohomish County Deputy Fire Marshal, Gary Bontrager. He and Gary inspected City buildings and several businesses. He noted that the Fire Marshal was polite and used the inspection process to educate the business owners.

**Chief Casey:** reported that a young adult male pleaded guilty to a burglary committed while he was a juvenile and that case will be handled as a juvenile offense. He also reported that the rash of burglaries committed throughout Gold Bar have ceased for the last 3 weeks, corresponding with one person having been in jail for that period of time.

Chief Casey reported that he and the Deputies have received lots of traffic complaints, particularly people blowing through stop signs. He is looking to add additional support to address this.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

No Councilmember had any comments.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE**

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. PRESENTATION: HEARING EXAMINER JOH NGALT**

John Galt introduced himself as having 35 years of experience as a Hearing Examiner, 22 years with Snohomish County, and gave a description of his activities.

Councilmember Strom asked if he would advise on ordinance development. Galt responded that he would look for clarity, conflicts with existing ordinances, and bad grammar. However he would not comment on or suggest policy direction.

Councilmember Ware asked about details on his dangerous dog and forfeiture cases. Galt noted that he interprets code based on fact presented on appeal.

**2. SECOND READING AND APPROVAL: ORDINANCE 643 - GBMC 2.16.040  
COMPENSATION**

Councilmember Martin made a motion with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion, to make the second reading and to approve Ordinance 643. Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Beavers made a second reading of Ordinance 643 by title.

**3. AGREEMENT: FIRE STATION TRANSFER**

Mayor Beavers noted that the proposed agreement has been vetted through Chief Andrews and reviewed by the City Attorney. The proposed agreement has been sent to the State Auditor for a review and comment before proceeding further.

Councilmember Hodo said that the Fire District had proposed and the Council approved an agreement for \$ 40,000 and rental of the Auxiliary Building for \$ 1.00 per year for 30 years and did not see any reason to change unless the State Auditor says otherwise.

By motion of Councilmember Hodo and second by Councilmember Ware to stay with the Fire District 26 offer as previously approved.

There was general discussion on maintaining a local Fire Station presence for insurance purposes.

Motion passed 3-0 with Councilmember Martin recusing herself.

#### **4. EXPENDITURE: WELL 4 PUMP REPAIR**

John Light discussed the impact of not having Well 4 online. Well 3 has a low pH which causes leaching of copper, lead, and steel from plumbing lines. He noted that hair coloring may be affected by the low pH, but there is no health problem associated with it. Based on input from SnoCo Department of Health, public notices on this have been placed at City Hall, the Post Office, and on the City website. Currently, the City is using PUD water to bring the pH into a normal range. The City has purchased a pH meter to continue monitoring the water.

Councilmember Strom noted that the things done to address the issue should have been more prominently shown on the notice.

Mayor Beavers noted that there is an additional cost to the City to purchase water from PUD. For a nominal month, the City supplies 800,000 cu feet of water. At \$ 27.50 per 1,000 cu feet, this is an added cost of \$ 22,000.00 for a full month of water or \$ 11,000.00 at a 50-50 blend between PUD and Well 3.

The Well Pump needs a refurbishing/repair. It was noted on the original quote release that work on the pump may be needed. The money is coming out of existing water funds.

There was extensive discussion about the Well 4 repairs and status.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion with a second by Councilmember Martin, to approve a cost budget of \$ 75,000 for the repair of Well 4 pump. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **5. LITIGATION UPDATE: CINGULAR**

Mayor Beavers reported that Cingular's motion for reconsideration of dropping multiple cities from the lawsuit filed in King County was denied. Cingular can appeal, re-file, or negotiate. Multiple cities involved in this action are evaluating negotiation. General discussion ensued.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the minutes from April 2, 2013 as written with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Minutes from April 2, 2013 were approved as written. Motion passed 4-0.

**VOUCHER APPROVAL**

By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Strom to approve checks 20274-20306 for a total of \$ 21,250.88.

Councilmember Ware noted that the overall expenditures were at 40% of budget with only 33% of the year gone. He noted that the Litigation Fund was at 50% of budget.

Councilmember Strom asked for more details on expenditure allocations. After discussion, Mayor Beavers is to work with Harry Oestrich to develop more detailed reports for Council review.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE****ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion.

Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 7, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Strom, Hodo and Martin were present. Public Works Director John Light, Utility Clerk Beaston and Sergeant Casey were also present.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Agenda was approved as written by 4-0.

**MAYOR REPORT:** No report

### **STAFF REPORT**

**Public Works Director John Light:** discussed the on-going fire inspections being done by the Snohomish County Deputy Fire Marshal, Gary Bontrager.

**Utility Clerk Beaston:** No report

**Chief Casey:** reported no burglaries in April.

Chief Casey stated that warrant arrests are up for the region and for Gold Bar. Additional help came from Sultan deputies, east precinct deputies, and a new Fugitive Taskforce comprised of law enforcement from Snohomish County and the US Marshals Office who came out and arrested a level three sex offender just outside of town.

A late model iPod Touch had been turned in to the office. It was found near the elementary school. No one has claimed it. Apple has confirmed that it is registered to an iTunes account but will not give owner information. Anyone missing a registered Apple iPod Touch should contact

Apple/iTunes to retrieve his/her serial number and then contact a Gold Bar deputy. Apple did play a key role in solving a burglary in April near the state park. All stolen property was recovered and the burglar was captured.

Chief Casey stated that he responded to a small wildfire west of Wallace Lake, he was amazed at the rate the fire grew. Fire crews did a nice job of putting out the blaze quickly.

Chief Casey finished his report with stating that due to an increasing amount of complaints of potentially dangerous and nuisance traffic violations, the unmarked vehicle based and motorcycle based traffic enforcement units from the Sheriff's Office have been asked to assist Gold Bar deputies in town. Over the next few weeks, they will be an occasional presence in Gold Bar.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Ware: No comments

Councilmember Martin seconded Chief Casey's comment on the fire crew.

Councilmember Strom talked about the taste of the water since we hooked up to the intertie and that he did his own testing to see what the results were.

Mayor Beavers put a video up on the screen of the Well 4.

Councilmember Hodo gave a brief update of what was going on with the Well 4 work and explained what was being seen in the video that Mayor Beavers had put up. Councilmember Hodo stated that the gentleman doing the work on Well 4 said that it's an excellent, deep artesian well and that it should be good for another 10 to 15yrs.

Some discussion ensued.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Stacey Hainstock, 818 Linda Avenue, made a presentation to the council in regards to traffic issues on Linda Avenue due to people speeding down 9<sup>th</sup> Street and around the corner that leads to 8<sup>th</sup> Street. She handed council a petition signed by her neighbors along with a document that listed different types of speed bumps (see Exhibit A page 1 & 2).

Some discussion ensued.

#### **OLD BUSINESS: None**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. REVIEW: PROPOSED CINGULAR SETTLEMENT**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over the letter from attorney Kenyon Disend that was sent to Cingular Wireless.

Brief discussion ensued.

### **2. DECISION: ILA REGIONAL DRUG & GANG TASK FORCE**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over the ILA that was up on the board. Some discussion ensued between council and Chief Casey.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the signing of the ILA with councilmember Ware seconding the motion.

Motion passed 4-0.

### **3. REVIEW: HEARING EXAMINER CONTRACT SUPERCEDING CURRENT CONTRACT**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over what the difference are in the contract compared to the previous contract that was held with Mr. Galt.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the signing of the new contract with a second by councilmember Martin. Some discussion ensued on clarification of why the contract was updated.

Motion passed by 4-0.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to approve the minutes from April 23, 2013 as written with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion. Minutes from April 23, 2013 were approved as written.

Motion passed 4-0.

## **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Hodo to approve checks 20307-20333 for a grand total of \$ 22,647.26.

Motion passed 4-0.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Maintenance worker Richard Baker questioned if they were going to discuss his pay raise which was not totally reflected on his check. Mayor Beavers stated that Harry Oestreich would be at the next meeting to address this.

Councilmember Hodo presented an email from Citizen Chuck Lie, 39964 May Creek Road, Councilmember Hodo asked for it to be part of the record (Exhibit B). The email was in regards to speeding on May Creek Road and the safety issues. Much discussion ensued between Council, Mayor Beavers and Chief Casey.

Councilmember Ware asked if at the next meeting they could discuss the vacant council position. Mayor Beavers stated that it is time to kick that position over to the County and should have covered that in his Mayor's Report.

Councilmember Ware stated that for the record if he continues to be misquoted perhaps he may be the next one to charge and leave. Councilmember Hodo apologized for misquoting Councilmember Ware.

Mayor Beavers stated on the next agenda will be Linda and 9<sup>th</sup> speeding issue, May Creek speed data collection and Maintenance work Bakers wages.

Brief discussion ensued.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion.

Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 8:03 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk



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**City of Gold Bar  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday, June 3, 2013**

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:10pm. Councilmembers Ware, Strom and Hodo were present. Councilmember Martin arrived at the meeting at 7:35. Public Works Director John Light and Utility Clerk Beaston were present. Sergeant Casey arrived at the meeting later due to having to attend Index Council Meeting.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Agenda was approved as written by 4-0.

**MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers discussed the May 13 rainstorm, showing photos of temporary flooding and the “wunderground” weather data for that day. He noted that the Stormwater Ordinance may need to be modified to reflect the impact of a short burst of heavy rain in addition to the 24 hour amount of rain. He noted that weather data website would be a good addition to the City website.

He continued with a letter from PUD on replacing current street lights with LED lights. He presented a letter concerning coal trains from Snohomish Mayor Karen Guzak for consideration by the Council.

The AWC sent a notice about an Elected Officials Workshop for June 4th, the date of the next Council meeting. A motion to move the next Council meeting to June 3rd to allow Councilmembers to attend was made by Councilmember Ware and seconded by Councilmember Hodo. Motion passed 4-0.

**STAFF REPORTS:** No comments.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** No comments.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** No comments.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. STUDY SESSION: SHORELINE MASTER PLAN**

Brad Medrud of AHBL reviewed the proposed Shoreline Master Plan update with the Council. In the discussion, Councilmember Martin noticed an error in the western extent of the Urban Conservatory map. Councilmembers were to contact John Light with any questions or comments on the proposed update.

### **2. DISCUSSION: TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES**

The situation at Linda and 9th was discussed. John Light and Joe Beavers will have cost estimates on the closing for the June 3 meeting.

### **3. ACTION: FIRE STATION TRANSFER**

Bill Tubbs reported that the Fire District has a mortgage broker who is working on the transfer documents and that the Fire District will pay closing costs. He expects to have a document set for the Council to review for the June 3 meeting.

### **4. UPDATE: CINGULAR LAWSUIT STATUS**

The proposed settlement letter for \$ 842.88 was reviewed. A motion to approve this offer was made by Councilmember Strom and seconded by Councilmember Hodo. Motion passed 4-0.

### **5. ACTION: SIDEWALK CLOSING COSTS**

The final costs to settle the E-CORP claims were presented and discussed. Additional funds for this project are the responsibility of the City and will come out of Fund 301. A grant application has been made to PSRC to cover much of the overage. A motion was made to approve payments of \$ 16,827.28 to E-CORP and \$ 3,130.35 to WHPacific by Councilmember Strom and seconded by Councilmember Hodo. Motion passed 4-0.

### **6. DISCUSSION: STAFFING ISSUES**

General discussion ensued about the need for a City Clerk and someone to take over the City Treasurer duties being performed by Harry Oestreich. Harry came in to help out on a temporary contract basis and would like to go back to being retired. It was discussed that the two jobs had

very different technical requirements and was unlikely that one person could cover both spectrums well. Priority was given to the City Treasurer position.

A motion to extend the meeting by half an hour was made by Councilmember Ware and seconded by Councilmember Hodo. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **7. REVIEW: PUD WATER AGREEMENTS**

John Light reported that we would need to add a pressure reducing valve for the PUD Intertie. The water agreements were reviewed. Councilmember Ware asked that estimated costs for a call out be determined before moving forward on this.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the minutes for May 7, 2013 as written with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Minutes for May 7, 2013 approved as written. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Strom to approve checks 20334-20354 for a grand total of \$ 8,753.82 except for check 20351 for \$ 224.00 for an adjusted grand total of \$ 8,549.82. Motion passed 4-0.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** No comments.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 9:12 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Monday, June 3, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:10pm. Councilmembers Ware, Strom and Hodo were present. Councilmember Martin arrived at the meeting at 7:35. Public Works Director John Light and Utility Clerk Beaston were present. Chief Casey arrived at the meeting later due to having to attend the Index Council Meeting.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Mayor Beavers added Agenda Approval, Council & Staff Comments along with Citizen Comments to the agenda.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda as amended with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Agenda was approved as amended by 3-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers stated that Ashley Peers received the City of Gold Bar Youth achievement Award for 2013 on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

He stated that the Cingular settlement has been signed and sent off to the attorney.

He stated that Snohomish County is going to provide a free speed study on May Creek Road.

Mayor Beavers talked briefly about the labor cost for PUD for water main breaks. He stated that PUD wouldn't send a single person out but would instead send out an entire crew. Public Works Director John Light is continuing to work on this. There was a brief discussion on the ILA.

**STAFF REPORTS/COUNCIL COMMENTS:** No comments.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Ray Coleman, 203 19<sup>th</sup> Street went over this month's Sheriff's Report for the City of Gold Bar. Ray is a volunteer with Snohomish County Sheriff office and also runs Gold Bar's Block Watch.

**OLD BUSINESS: None****NEW BUSINESS****1. APPROVAL: FIRE STATION TRANSFER**

Mayor Beavers stated that this is still being worked on by Bill Tubbs. No discussion needed.

**2. DISCUSSION: LINDA AVENUE CLOSING DETAILS**

Mayor Beavers put a map of the area of 9<sup>th</sup> and Linda up for review.

Citizen Barbara Carlson, 926 Timber Lane stated that the citizens on Timber Lane have signed a petition to not allow the closing off of Linda Avenue. They feel it will divert more traffic onto Timber Lane which has a lot of little kids that play on the street and they are worried about safety. (See Exhibit A for Petition)

Gary Scollard, 914 Timber Lane stated that no one is stopping at the stop sign at the corner of Timber Lane and 9<sup>th</sup> Street and that traffic has gotten worse since they put in the development on Evergreen Way.

Matthew Marleau, 907 Timber Lane talked about blocking it off in two spots to stop traffic from going through the neighborhood.

Much discussion ensued between citizens, Councilmembers, Public Works Director John Light and Mayor Beavers on speed bumps, blocking off the streets, the issue of speeding traffic and ice/snow on the hill at the intersection of 9<sup>th</sup>, Timber Lane and Linda Avenue during the winter months and what blocking off a road would mean to the citizens that didn't have 4whl drives that couldn't go around if the road was blocked off so as to not have to drive up the hill. Much discussion ensued on the drug traffic/dealing that is going on in the area. There was a consensus not to remove the stop sign at the intersection of Timber Lane, 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Linda Avenue. See Exhibit B for sign in sheet. Chief Casey talked briefly about neighbors joining together to monitor and report activity in their neighborhood.

Mayor Beavers stated that this subject would be further discussed at the next meeting.

**3. PRE-HEARING COUNCIL REVIEW: SHORELINE MASTER PLAN**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over what was presented at the last council meeting stating that there was a mistake on a map that was presented and that map has been redone.

He stated that at there would be a Public Hearing for the Shoreline Master Program at the next meeting and that it has been posted in the paper.

#### **4. APPROVAL: SNOCO AMENDMENT TO STREET PROJECTS ILA**

Public Works Director John Light stated that there is an old ILA but that it was required to be updated so it is basically the same blanket ILA but with the needed updates and that it now requires council approval. Some discussion ensued.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the signing of the ILA with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **5. DISCUSSION: STREET REPAIR FUNDING**

Councilmember Hodo stated that the city needs to find a way to put money into road/street maintenance so that when work needs to be done the maintenance workers can do it. Discussion ensued about car tab tax that could be used. Councilmember Hodo stated he would research it more and discuss it at the next meeting.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the minutes for May 21, 2013 as written with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Minutes for May 21, 2013 approved as written. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Hodo to approve checks 20355-20375 for a grand total of \$ 30,982.92. Motion passed 4-0.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** No comments.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Martin made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

# City of Gold Bar

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 18, 2013

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

Mayor Pro-Tem Strom called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Martin and Hodo were present. Public Works Director John Light, Utility Clerk Beaston and Chief Casey were also present.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion.

Councilmember Ware had no issues with item #1 on the agenda but wanted to discuss Item #2 which he thought there would be more time between the update of the SMP and the adoption of the Resolution. Some discussion ensued.

Agenda approved 3-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Pro-Tem Strom said his only report was he may need assistance with the meeting.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

Public Works Director John Light stated that next Monday he hopes to put the well back together. He added that AM/PM Asphaltting donated asphalt and time down on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West.

Utility Clerk Beaston stated that the Consumer Confidence Report for 2012 would be sent out the next day and that it is also listed on the cities website. She went onto state that she had taken a Border Collie that was running loose to Everett Animal Shelter and was currently working on some animal control complaints.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Ware and Martin had no comment.

Councilmember Hodo asked how long it would take before the pump is back in operation. Public Works Director John Light stated that he had hoped to start on it next Monday and it should be a couple 3 days to put it in and then a day or so to flush it.

Chief Casey talked briefly about the Amber Alert on Friday in which DSHS had notified a mother they were picking up the child before picking the child up. The mother was picked up over on the east side by the rest stop on SR2, with her and the child being returned to Gold Bar.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Toni Pohle, 115 Powell Lane asked about the arsenic in well 4, and the effect of reconnecting it back up to the drinkable water coming out of well 3. Much discussion ensued on this topic.

Ralph Wood, 309 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West had questions on what AHBL stood for and the effects of the 250ft setbacks.

**OLD BUSINESS: None****NEW BUSINESS****1. PUBLIC HEARING: SHORELINE MASTER PLAN UPDATE**

Mayor Pro-Tem stated the notice for the Public Hearing was posted at City Hall, on the Utility Bills in the Everett Herald.

Ralph Wood, 309 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West had questions on what AHBL stood for. Brad Medrud who is a Land Use Planner for AHBL stated that the letters stands for the original four founders who all are retired now, but listed them as Adams, Hodsons, Bessette and Lindsay.

Mayor Pro-Tem Strom stated the purpose for the hearing is to adopt the Shoreline Master Plan Update by resolution. Mayor Pro-Tem Strom briefly explained the process after the Public Hearing was complete.

Mayor Pro-Tem Strom opened the Public Hearing on the Shoreline Master Plan Update at 7:11PM.

Citizen Toni Pohle, 115 Powell Lane asked if this meant they had to shore up the banks of their shoreline on the creek.

Brad Medrud introduced himself and stated that he worked for AHBL. He explained in brief the Shoreline Master Plan Update and what it meant in regards to policies and regulations and the effects on properties that sit within the Floodplain.

Ralph Wood, 309 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West had questions in regards to his property which sits between both the Wallace River and May Creek. Mr. Medrud explained the 200ft in regards to how that would affect Mr. Woods's property. Some discussion ensued between Councilmembers and Mr. Medrud on setbacks/buffers and no net loss.

Brad Medrud talked briefly about residential and commercial lots in regards to current use and what the means in regards to the SMP.

Much discussion ensued on mapping.

Mayor Pro-Tem Strom closed the Public Hearing on the Shoreline Master Plan Update at 7:37PM.

## **2. APPROVAL: SHORELINE MASTER PLAN UPDATE ADOPTION RESOLUTION 13-03**

Councilmember Hodo had questions on approval. Mayor Pro-Tem Strom explained the process.

Councilmember Ware had questions on if the update was rejected if it would come back to Council. Brad Medrud explained the process if the update is rejected by Ecology.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the adoption of Resolution 13-03 with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion. Resolution 13-03 was approved as written.

Motion passed 3-0.

## **3. DISCUSSION: LINDA AND 9<sup>TH</sup> TRAFFIC ISSUES AND AD HOC COMMITTEE**

Mayor Pro-Tem Strom briefly explained what needed to be approved for the Ad Hoc Committee.

Councilmember Martin made a motion to approve the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee for the investigation of traffic calming devices for the situation of the traffic issues at Linda and 9<sup>th</sup> with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion.

Motion was withdrawn after discussion.

Councilmember Ware read RCW 36.73.020. Much discussion ensued between Councilmembers on the RCW.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to accept approval of the Ad Hoc committee as represented for the purpose of making recommendation to council with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion.

Motion passed 3-0.

#### **4. REQUEST: SULTAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GOLD DUST DAYS BANNER**

Utility Clerk Beaston explained what the Chamber of Commerce wanted to do in regards to placing a banner under the entry sign to Gold Bar. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to allow Sky Valley Chamber of Commerce to put up banner on the Gold Bar sign with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion.

Motion passed 3-0.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the minutes for June 3, 2013 as written with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Minutes for June 3, 2013 approved as written.

Motion passed 3-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

By motion of Councilmember Ware with a second by Councilmember Hodo to approve checks 20376-20403 for a grand total of \$ 70,266.91.

Motion passed 3-0.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Stacy Hainstock, 818 Linda Avenue asked about when, where and how they go about meeting for the Ad Hoc meetings. Some discussion ensued. Mayor Pro-Tem Strom stated that he would contact everyone on the committee for what works best for times and dates.

Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue stated that she appreciates on how everyone has been proactive; it has slowed the activity that was going on. Brief discussion ensued.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Ware asked for the transportation district discussion to be placed on the next agenda. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Mayor Pro-Tem Strom adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm.

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Bob Strom, Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

# 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, July 2, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Hodo and Strom were present. Utility Clerk Beaston and Chief Casey were also present. Public Works Director John Light had been working on Well 4 all day and had gone home. Councilmember Martin is on vacation.

Councilmember Strom made a motion to excuse Councilmember Martin with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Councilmember Martin was excused from the meeting.

Motion passed 3-0.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Mayor Beavers stated that he had amended the agenda by adding the voucher numbers and totals.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Councilmember Ware seconding the motion.

Agenda approved as amended by 3-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers showed a picture of some geese that had to come to visit via May Creek.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

Utility Clerk Beaston stated that city hall will be closed July 4<sup>th</sup> in observation of Independence Day and July 5<sup>th</sup> for vacation. July 9<sup>th</sup> she is having a tooth removed and so city hall maybe possibly closed on July 10<sup>th</sup>. On July 15<sup>th</sup> the office will close at 3pm due to a scheduled appointment.

Utility Clerk Beaston stated that she had taken a black lab/retriever to Everett Animal Shelter earlier in the day that had been picked up by a Deputy. She was unsure if the dog was in or outside city limits, but believed it had been picked up outside which would mean that the city would not get billed from the shelter. She stated that the dog had been micro chipped but that the information had not been kept current so she was unable to locate an owner.

Reminder to everyone to be careful during the warm weather and make sure their pets where able to get into a shaded area and had lots of fresh water. Also not to leave any animals inside vehicles regardless of having the windows down due to the extreme danger that it caused to animals. Also with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July upon us if you know your animals are scared please keep them locked up/secured in a place where they are not going to escape and or injure themselves or both.

Chief Casey talked briefly about the Amber Alert that occurred on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June. On July 1<sup>st</sup>, there was a crash on May Creek road outside of town; a 54 yr. old woman was seriously injured. The same day an 18 yr. old man drowned in the Skykomish River at Eagle Falls.

Chief Casey finished by stating that Fire Works are not authorized in Gold Bar. It's no longer a criminal violations but it is now a \$100 fine.

Some discussion ensued on the dangers of swimming in the rivers.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Ware and Strom had no comment.

Councilmember Hodo talked briefly about the letter that MRSC had sent out in regards to the marijuana laws. The Liquor Control Board will be having a meeting to discuss the laws on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. MRSC says that any city that has not dealt with creating laws for marijuana businesses need to do so. Brief discussion took place. Utility Clerk Beaston stated that she has already received one call of interest into the property at 119 Croft Ave West and if that was zoned for a marijuana dispensary business.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Tracy Cotterill, 301 Grand Avenue asked about the signage that is typically put out by the City of Gold Bar in regards to no Fire Works being allowed. Mayor Beavers stated that due to work being done on Well 4 that they have not been able to get the signs out, but he would make sure they were put out tomorrow.

Mayor Beavers stated that Well 4 is back up, and the crew is currently doing some flushing, testing and balancing. Some discussion ensued.

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. APPROVAL: FIRE STATION REALTY DOCUMENTS**

Mayor Beavers briefly explained the documentation, stating that it's the same as what the council has looked at previously. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Strom made a motion to accept and authorize the Mayor to sign the documentation for the sale of the Fire Station on Lewis Avenue with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion.

Motion passed 3-0.

**2. DISCUSSION: PARKING AT 1<sup>ST</sup> AND US-2**

Mayor Beavers explained the issue on 1<sup>st</sup> Street and posted photos that he had taken of the view of the problem area. Also the height of the fence poses an issue and doesn't appear to comply with the current Fence Permit Ordinance. Much discussion ensued between the council, mayor, citizens and Chief Casey.

**3. APPROVAL: WELL 4 UPDATED QUOTE**

Councilmember Hodo briefly talked about the work that was being done on Well 4 and explained that when they went to put the line shafts through the spider gear they discovered the shafts were bent. He explained if the shaft was not replaced that it would cause the new spider gear to wear out quickly. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the expenditure on the new shaft with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion.

Motion passed 3-0.

**4. DISCUSSION: STREET REPAIR FUNDING**

Councilmember Hodo talked briefly about the Transportation District. After checking into it further it appears it wouldn't be a good choice for the city. Much discussion ensued.

**5. DISCUSSION: LINDA AND 9<sup>TH</sup> AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATED**

Councilmember Strom stated that the Ad Hoc Committee would be meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup>. He said that the citizens are grateful for the increased police presence.

Chief Casey added that the fact that the citizens are working together on this issue has done a lot for curbing the activity that was going on.

## **6. DISCUSSION: NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME**

Mayor Beavers briefly explained that the city needed to provide sanitation for National Night Out Against Crime, although there was nothing put in the budget for events.

Councilmember Ware stated that he had no strong objection to providing sanitation for the event but he would like to see it placed on the budget next year. The rest of the Councilmembers were all in agreement for putting the item on the budget for next year.

Discussion ensued on when the next council meeting would be held since National Night Out Against Crime is on the same scheduled evening as the council meeting.

Mayor Beavers stated council can decide when to have the August meeting at the July 16<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

## **7. CONTRACT EXTENSION: HARRY OESTREICH**

Mayor Beavers stated that Harry's contract was for only one year which ends the end of July, so the contract would need to be extended to the end of the year.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to extend the contract for Harry Oestreich with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion.

Motion passed 3-0.

## **8. APPROVAL: SIDEWALK CLOSING DOCUMENTS**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over the sidewalk closing letter and the closing process.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to authorize Mayor Beavers to sign the closing document with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion.

Motion passed 3-0.

## **9. APPROVAL: COAL TRAIN LETTER**

Mayor Beavers talked briefly about the letter and what was being asked. He placed the letter on the wall for everyone to view.

Much discussion ensued.

Councilmember Strom made a motion to authorize Mayor Beavers to sign the letter with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion.

Councilmember Ware opposed the authorization.

Motion passed 2-1.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the minutes for June 18, 2013 as amended with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Minutes for June 18, 2013 approved as amended.

Motion passed 3-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

By motion of Councilmember Ware with a second by Councilmember Hodo to approve vouchers 20404-20431 for a grand total of \$ 189,668.42.

Motion passed 3-0.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Tracy Cotterill, 301 Grand Avenue stated that there is traffic parking on Croft Avenue at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in front of Prospectors Steak and Ale, making it difficult to pull out from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street onto Croft Avenue. Mrs. Cotterill also stated that there are raised sidewalks in Sultan on 8<sup>th</sup> Street, in regards to the issue at Linda and 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 8:13 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, July 16, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Hodo, Strom and Martin were present. Public Works Director John Light, Utility Clerk Beaston and Deputy Alex Ross were also present.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Councilmember Hodo seconded the motion. Agenda approved as amended by 4-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers stated that it's getting close to Gold Dust Days, signs are going up and different things are being put together.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

Public Works Director John Light stated that Well 4 is up and running fine.

Director Light talked briefly about the Hearing Examiner and that Title 19 of our Municipal Code was in need of some changes. See Exhibit A.

Utility Clerk Beaston stated that the Utility Bills printed out on Monday July 8<sup>th</sup>. On Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> she attended to a dog that had been hit on Croft Avenue, unfortunately the outcome for the dog was not good.

Wednesday July 9<sup>th</sup>, went out with Gary Bontrager the Fire Inspector on several inspections, several more have been approved and she is invoicing as they are being done.

House on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Lewis that was a foreclosure had just recently sold and cleanup had begun, so that should start looking better.

Clerk Beaston finished by stating that National Night Out Against Crime is coming up on August 6<sup>th</sup>. Parade lineup will start at 6pm with the parade beginning at 6:30pm. The parade will travel down 10<sup>th</sup> turn onto Lewis Avenue and ends at Gold Bar Elementary. Gold Bar Family Grocer has once again donated hot dogs and buns, with Mann Gas Station providing ice and water for the event so a big thank you goes out to them for their donations. Also a big thank you to all the citizens who step out and come out every year to donate their time in making these events happen. Events like this could not run without the volunteer's hard work and is what makes living in such a small town so great.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Ware stated he is looking forward to Gold Dust Days. He briefly talked about the current parking issue on 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Martin asked about the trailer being dismantled at the Apartments in Gold Bar. Public Director Light stated that is being dealt with at this time. Councilmember Martin stated that she also is looking forward to Gold Dust Days.

Councilmember Strom had no comment.

Councilmember Hodo stated that he would like to further discuss the parking issue at 1<sup>st</sup> street. He believes that putting up no parking signs and painting the curb red would be a quicker solution. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Ware had one more item to discuss and briefly talked about the two documents that they had found while reviewing the finances and that two items had Laura Kelly's name on them. So they are paying attention to those kinds of details and getting them taken care of as they come up. Utility Clerk Beaston stated that she had cancelled the Lowes account as of 3:30pm today and had left a message for the other company to remove Ms. Kelly's name.

Mayor Beavers discussed when the next council meeting should be held. Discussion ensued. Next meeting will be held Thursday, August 8th.

Deputy Ross reported that traffic counters are out on May Creek Road. He stated that burglary stats are up due to unsecured sheds or out buildings, people are starting to notice items missing, and he suggested that people secure their out buildings to ensure safety. Deputy Ross finished by stating an assault had taken place outside the city which led to a search warrant being served inside the city which ended in an arrest.

Councilmember Martin brought up that there is a current burn ban.

Mayor Beavers stated that Anne Marie Soto from Kenyon Disends office was in attendance and asked Anne Marie to introduce herself.

Anne Marie Soto introduced herself stating that she is an attorney with Kenyon Disends office and she is also the attorney for the City of Sultan.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS: None**

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. PRELUDE TO AN AUDIT: STATE AUDITORS**

Auditor Jayne Bentler introduced herself as the Audit Supervisor; she also introduced Lisa Erdman who is also working on the city's current audit and was present for the council meeting. Jayne stated that they have one other auditor Cami Bilderback who is working on the single audit but was not at the meeting. See Exhibit B for her review of what they are working on and looking for. Some discussion ensued between Councilmembers and the auditors.

### **2. DISCUSSION: SALARY ADJUSTMENTS/CORRECTIONS**

Mayor Beavers put a report up on the wall that showed the salary adjustments/corrections. Treasure Harry Oestreich briefly went over the report. See Exhibit C for report. Some discussion ensued.

Citizen Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue stated that she believes that the city needs to find the money to repay the employees what they are owed. They are very short staffed and have taken on a lot more work and if the money is owed to them then the city should do whatever it takes to make it right. Councilmember Ware agreed.

### **3. EXECUTIVE SESSION: LITIGATION UPDATE W/ATTORNEY**

Mayor Beavers read the following.

The Gold Bar City Council is going into executive Session in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency existing litigation where public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

The Executive Session will last 15 minutes and will be concluded at 8:10. If additional time is needed, the additional time will be announced before continuing.

The Council went into session at 7:55pm.

Mayor Beavers came out and stated at 8:07 they were extending the Executive Session another 10 minutes.

At 8:19 Council came back into session.

#### **4. DISCUSSION: JUDGMENT ENFORCEMENT**

Mayor Beavers talked about the judgment which was up on the board and asked how far the council would like him to pursue this. Much discussion ensued on the lien that had been placed and possible credit collection. It was a consensus to discuss it further at the next meeting.

#### **5. DISCUSSION: ROAD USE BILL FOR ATV/UTV**

Traci Cotterill, 301 Grand Avenue believes the streets need to stay closed. She feels that it would sacrifice her sanity with the noise that would be created.

Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue stated that there is already a problem with people speeding around the neighborhood without the addition of ATV/UTVs.

Joanne Price, 307 Grand Avenue agrees with Terri Holcomb in regards to people driving insanely down Linda Avenue and believes that they should stay at Reiter Foothills.

Linda Driscall from Polaris of Monroe talked briefly about the benefits to the businesses in Gold Bar and the effect that the closing of Reiter had on Index. Ms. Driscall believes that it would be a great benefit to the businesses in town.

Much discussion ensued between Councilmembers and citizens.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to extend the meeting until 9:30 with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **6. REPORT: LINDA AND 9<sup>TH</sup> AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Mayor Beavers did a quick explanation for the citizens who had not attended the prior meetings in regards to Linda and 9<sup>th</sup> Street issue.

Councilmember Strom stated that during the Ad Hoc Committee there had been much discussion on raised sidewalks (crosswalks) and blocking off Linda Avenue at the 8<sup>th</sup> Street intersections. A site map was put on the board for all to see.

Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue stated that most of the citizens on Timber Lane were concerned with having their stop sign removed which doesn't need to happen. She doesn't believe

putting in raised sidewalks would stop the racing traffic around the corner of Linda which is a blind corner.

Councilmember Strom stated that by the next meeting they would have more a specific plan.

#### **7. APPROVAL: WELL 4 UPDATED REPAIRS**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over the updated repairs to Well 4. Public Works Director John Light and Councilmember Hodo briefly explained the issues that were fixed and what the final cost was. Due to the cost coming in under what was approved, no approval was needed by council.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the minutes for July 2, 2013 as written with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Minutes for July 2, 2013 approved as written. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to accept for approval vouchers 20432-20459 less 20433 for a grand total of \$ 33,938.94 with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion.

Councilmember Hodo had a question on a voucher for the payment to Charlie Meyers. Mayor Beavers explained. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Joanne Price, 307 Grand Avenue asked what the official speed limit is on Linda Avenue. Stated that there used to be a sign but it no longer exists. Asked if another speed limit sign could be put up? Public Works Director Light stated he would look to see if they had any more signs in the city shop.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 9:13 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 8, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Hodo, Strom and Martin were present. Utility Clerk Beaston and Chief Casey were also present. Public Works Director Light was out on vacation and is expected back on August 21st.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Agenda approved as written by 4-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers displayed a list of upcoming activities (which follows minutes). Some discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers put a slide show up on the wall of Gold Dust Days and National Night Out with Utility Clerk Beaston explaining what all the different pictures were. Some discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers stated that the construction company that came to pick up the Honey Buckets donated them once they found out that National Night Out was run on volunteers, so there was no charge for the Honey Buckets.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

Utility Clerk Beaston stated that the Utility Bills had just printed out this morning and people should start seeing them in the mail in the next day or two.

Clerk Beaston gave a big thank you to

- Gold Bar Family Grocer for the donation of Hot Dogs and Buns
- Mann gas station for Ice and Water that they had donated
- And Mountain Valley Chapel for bringing out their bouncy house and the use of their popcorn maker.

She finished by stating that it was a great time with beautiful weather, she also reminded everyone of Fronderosa Frolic going on this weekend, Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup> down Dorman Road in Gold Bar.

Chief Casey stated that one of the issues in town was a dog that was stolen after escaping its property; it was picked up by an individual and taken. National Night Out was a lot of fun; they did have one crime happen at the event which was a young lady set down her iPod and when she turned back around it was gone.

Chief Casey finished by stating that traffic enforcement will be ongoing out at May Creek Road and that the Deputies are currently working on some unlicensed business up at Loth Lumber along with some RV's that are being lived in on the property.

Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue had questions on living in an RV. Chief Casey talked briefly about the difficulties of proving that someone is living in an RV when parked on someone's property.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Ware: No comment

Councilmember Martin stated that Gold Dust Days was more fun than ever.

Councilmember Strom stated he enjoyed Gold Dust Days and National Night Out immensely. He finished by stating that he currently has calls in to two different companies on estimates for the closing of Linda at Evergreen Way.

Councilmember Hodo asked if under Old Business council would be discussing the Sale of the Fire Dept. Mayor Beavers stated that it was already completed.

Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue asked if the city had given the employees their back pay. Mayor Beavers said that was up to be approved in tonight's vouchers.

Mayor Beavers asked Councilmember Hodo about the lift truck that one of his neighbors had and if the gentleman would be interested in helping put up the security cameras.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Leroy Kramer, 40716 SR2 questioned what the city planned on doing with Gunn Road. Mayor Beavers talked briefly about not having the money to rebuild Gunn Road and due to the condition of the road we cannot get a grant for overlay. Much discussion ensued on the subject of the road condition and the brush on the side of the road in particular hiding the stop sign.

Joanne Price, 307 Grand Avenue stated that Gold Dust Days music was too long and too loud and that they had people urinating by their property and traffic was traveling fast down Linda Avenue.

**OLD BUSINESS: None****NEW BUSINESS****1. VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION CERTIFICATES**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over the Volunteer Certificates for the volunteers that helped clean up after the vandalism. Mayor Beavers displayed pictures of before and after the vandalism.

**2. DISCUSSION: CITY CLERK/TREASURER POSITION(S)**

Mayor Beavers briefly went over what Harry Oestreich and Lisa Stowe have been working on. He stated that Harry wants to go back into retirement and he was uncertain of how long Lisa Stowe wanted to stay on. There is a person that is looking at coming in two days a week for the Treasurer position. The Clerk job will be easier now that everything is being filed and or archived. Some discussion ensued.

**3. DISCUSSION: I-502 BUSINESSES (MARIJUANA RELATED)**

Mayor Beavers stated that there is an individual that is interested in opening a recreational marijuana business. Mayor Beavers briefly went over zoning and what State Law says. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hodo talked briefly about the meeting he attended in regards to the Marijuana Laws; he said that there were more questions than answers but did state that there will be no dry cities which means they are all subject to having businesses move in. With the exception of zoning which would be under cities, most of the laws will be created by the State. Much discussion ensued.

#### **4. APPROVAL: NORTH RESERVOIR ROAD MAINTENANCE**

Mayor Beavers displayed a map of the area in discussion. He briefly explained why the work needed to be done and what fund it would come out of. Mayor Beavers would like a motion to approve \$1,800 for completing the first part of the repair. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$1,800.00 for the stated work with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion.

Councilmember Ware asked what the difference between Gunn Road and North Reservoir Road maintenance was and why one would be fixed and the other not. Much discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers called for a vote on the motion.

Motion passed 3-1.

Mayor Beavers asked if any Councilmembers would like to work on the project of what to do with Gunn Road. Some discussion ensued.

#### **5. DISCUSSION: UPCOMING 2013 BUDGET AMENDMENT**

Mayor Beavers stated that Harry is still working on the budget. Much discussion ensued on the budget. Mayor Beavers stated that the budget will have to be amended.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to approve the minutes for July 16, 2013 as presented on the wall with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion. Minutes for July 16, 2013 approved as shown. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to accept for approval vouchers 20460-20505 for a grand total of \$ 97,133.31 with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilmember Strom stated he was really happy to see vouchers 20475-20479 paid which was the back pay.

Dorothy Croshaw stated that there would be no voucher approval for the next council meeting due to Harry being absent.

Citizen Ray Coleman, 203 19<sup>th</sup> Street was presented by Utility Clerk Beaston with an award for his volunteer work in removing the graffiti.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Joanne Price, 307 Grand Avenue asked who is responsible for clearing the brush on the side of the road. Mayor Beavers stated that the city is not responsible for the right of way; it is the responsibility of the property owner. Much discussion ensued between several citizens and Councilmembers on this issue.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 8:34 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

# **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2013**

### **Mayors Cup Race at Evergreen Speedway, Saturday, August 10**

Richard Baker will be racing for the City of Gold Bar.

### **Budgeting Class – Leavenworth – August 22**

This can be a one-day session which will cover the rules for municipal finance operations. “Budgeting Nuts and Bolts” and “Budgeting for Smaller Entities” are highly valuable sessions.

### **Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Overlay Grant Application – Due Aug 23**

- # 1 First Ave West - Smeltzer to Powell
- # 2 Timber Lane - 9th to Evergreen Way
- # 3 Fifth Street - US-2 to Linda
- # 4 Lewis Avenue - 5th to 10th

### **Comprehensive Plan Grant – Due Sep 30**

Gold Bar has a \$ 10,000 grant allowance once paper work is completed. This is for the Comprehensive Plan update in 2014/5.

### **Chevy Half-Ton Repairs (Capital Fund 301)**

Being evaluated, needs driver door repair, brake job, tune up, and maybe other safety repairs.

### **Mower Blades (Capital Fund 301)**

Need new blades.

### **Alpine Estates Trailer Park (Water Fund)**

Old 1950-60s galvanized main and meter needs to be replaced. This will require a contracted service as the meter line runs under 10th Street to the main line.

### **North Reservoir Road Maintenance (Water Fund)**

Grade remaining road using a contracted service with a tracked grader.

### **No Parking Signs and Curb Painting (Street Fund)**

US-2 in front of Prospectors needs evaluation, 1st at US-2 needs sign.

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 20, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Hodo, Strom and Martin were present. No staff members were in attendance.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Agenda approved as written by 4-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers discussed:

- ...TIB Grant Application for First Ave W and Timber Lane overlays for 2014
- ...getting a quote for hot asphalt for street pot holes
- ...RiteWay Auto US-2 Frontage Stormwater Mitigation
- ...WSDOT released sidewalk for above actions, still awaiting final paperwork
- ...2012 Annual Report and State Audit in process
- ...Block lawsuit trial on Friday Aug 23
- ...IPZ letter of support
- ...Reward for vandalism information expected to be \$ 200 due to additional donations.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

There were no staff reports.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Hodo: no comment

Councilmember Strom: still pursuing quotes on closing Linda at 8th Street.

Councilmember Martin: all should visit Evergreen Fair

Councilmember Ware: will be attending the AWC Financial Class on August 23 ... Mayor Beavers suggested he meet with Toni Nelson who would be a good candidate for periodic audits.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Leroy Kramer, Terri Holcomb, and Lee Miller led a discussion of the needed maintenance on Gunn Road. There was an discussion on budget and revenues pertinent to street maintenance.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to accept volunteer help to cut and trim trees in the easement on Gunn Road and to deem the trees as surplus and available at no charge with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion approved by 4-0.

**OLD BUSINESS: None****NEW BUSINESS****1. DISCUSSION: UPCOMING 2013 BUDGET AMENDMENT**

The detailed budget status as of August 8 was reviewed. There was discussion about creating a budget based on vendor expenses as was done for the 2013 budget as opposed to being based on a line item budget as had been done in previous years.

**2. APPROVAL: FUND 301 EXPENDITURES**

The bids for the F150 repairs from Wagley Creek Automotive was discussed. A second bid from Avery Automotive was suggested and supported by Councilmember Ware. This second bid will be presented at the next council meeting.

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the minutes for August 8, 2013 as presented on the wall with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

**VOUCHER APPROVAL**

No vouchers were available for this meeting.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

There were no specific comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 3, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Hodo, Strom and Martin were present. Public Works Director John Light and Utility Clerk Beaston were also present. Chief Casey was out sick.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the agenda with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Agenda approved as written by 4-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers discussed:

- ...Grant for Comprehension Plan which is due the 30<sup>th</sup>

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

Utility Clerk Beaston:

- ...Utility Bills print on the 6<sup>th</sup>
- ...Tracking usage on Utility Bills is one way to catch if there is a leak
- ...Higher amount of dogs missing and or at large, make sure you have Photo ID for pets

Public Works Director John Light:

- ...Washington Survey and Rate Bureau will be looking over the water system this week

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Hodo: no comment

Councilmember Strom: no comment

Councilmember Martin: attended Boom Town Meeting in Sultan, the meeting was in regards to the Valleys strengths and weaknesses.

Councilmember Ware: attended AWC Budget Course in Leavenworth, briefly went over the different budget types. The one that most stuck with him was the priority budget; he also liked the line item budget. He spoke briefly about Evergreen State Fair which his wife and he were able to attend this year.

Mayor Beavers talked briefly about work needing to be done on the budget and asked if Councilmember Ware could take lead on the priority budget list. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Ware stated he would not be available for the Council Meetings and or the Finance Committee voucher approval meetings in October, due to a scheduled vacation. Councilmember Strom will fill in for Councilmember Ware at the Finance Committee voucher approval meetings.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Ray Coleman, 203 19<sup>th</sup> Street stated that there is a new bit of graffiti at the end of 19<sup>th</sup> and Aaron Avenue. He has invited both Pat Toman and Rocky Walker for removing the graffiti. Ray briefly talked about crime that is going on in the area.

Terrance Pope, 326 8<sup>th</sup> Street has been having issues with kids gathering at the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Linda Avenue and sitting on his fence which he has had to repair several times. He also was contacted by an owner that they had seen some kids with sleeping gear leaving the back of his property. He has since removed the brush so that there is no place for anyone to hide. Some discussion ensued about the activities on Linda, 8<sup>th</sup>, Timber Lane and Evergreen Way.

### **OLD BUSINESS: None**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **1. DISCUSSION: RITE WAY AUTO STORMWATER MITIGATION**

Mayor Beavers put on the wall drainage photos of the problem area. He stated that Department of Transportation did not see the drainage to be a problem. Much discussion ensued.

Bobby Stilwater, 40729 SR2 who owns the property showed on the photos where the issue is at, stating that when the side walk project was done that in one area ground was removed and in another it was added which caused the drainage issue.

Much discussion ensued between Councilmembers, Mayor and Mr. Stilwater on different tactics that could be done to fix the issue.

Mayor Beavers stated that this item will be discussed at the next Council Meeting when he has done some more work on getting information.

## **2. INTRODUCTION: ORDINANCE AMENDING GBMC 3.04 AND 3.08**

Mayor Beavers put the Ordinances on the wall. He stated that he would clean up errors and bring it back to the next meeting.

## **3. DISCUSSION: WATER SYSTEM MANNING**

Councilmember Hodo talked briefly about hiring another person for 20hrs a week to assist in the water department. Much discussion ensued on the budget and what work needed to be done.

Councilmember Ware supports John Lights needs in hiring help for the water department as long as the person is only doing work that is related to the water department.

Councilmember Ware stated that he had just received a phone call and he needs to leave for a family emergency. Councilmember Ware left at 8:08PM.

Mayor Beavers stated that the budget will have to be adjusted and asked John Light to start looking at the temp agencies to see the cost.

## **4. UPDATE: F150 REPAIRS**

Mayor Beavers briefly talked about the work that needs to be done still on the F150 and the quote that we got from Wagley Creek and getting a quote from Avery.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the work to be done at Wagley Automotive with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion.

Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue had questions about being able to get a quote from Avery Automotive.

Much discussion ensued on what is owed to Wagley for the diagnoses and getting a quote from Avery.

Motion passed 3-0.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the minutes as written for August 20, 2013 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

## **VOUCHER APPROVAL: None**

**CITIZEN COMMENTS: None**

Mayor Beavers stated that he is still looking for quotes for grinding up Gunn Road and he will continue to work on it along with the mowing of the black berries.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Mayor Beavers adjourned the meeting at 8:25 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 17, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmembers Ware, Hodo, Strom and Martin were present. Public Works Director John Light, Treasurer Harry Oestreich, Utility Clerk Beaston and Chief Casey were also present.

Mayor Beavers asked to move Item #7 to Item #2 with the rest just moving down from there.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the agenda as amended with Councilmember Ware seconding the motion. Agenda approved as amended by 4-0.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Beavers discussed:

...Change in employee benefits through AWC, will discuss at next meeting.

...In the F150 repair quotes there was not much difference in the end between Avery and Wagley, once the inspection costs were included.

Public Works John Light stated that he did not care which place the truck went to for repairs, but he would like Council to just pick one so the work can be done. Mayor Beavers said that was a john decision, not a council decision.

Brief discussion ensued on the difference in quotes.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

Chief Casey talked briefly about the August stats, stating that vehicle prowls and misdemeanor theft are increasing. There are a few properties in town, most unoccupied foreclosures, have become a nuisance due to squatters, weed growth and garbage. There was a home break-in with a shot fired by the victim, no one was hit, but the suspect fled.

Chief Casey also talked briefly about an incident that took place on the Mann Road outside Sultan where there was an altercation between some guys on dirt bikes and people on horses, one of the horseback riders was injured, and that investigation is being handled by one of the Deputies.

Lieutenant Monty Beaton introduced himself as the Chief in Sultan and Commander of the East Precinct. He was sworn in on August 5<sup>th</sup>. He talked briefly about the incident on Mann Road.

Mayor Beavers suggested that Lieutenant Beaton stop by Safe Stop which is held Wednesday nights at Gold Bar Elementary, it's a good place to meet and greet the different kids that participate in the program.

Public Works Director John Light: No comments

Utility Clerk Beaton:

...Lots of animals missing lately with all the storms, if you know your animal is scared of lighting and thunder, please secure them. Also make sure they have tags on so that you can be contacted if someone locates your pet.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Ware: no comment

Councilmember Martin: no comment

Councilmember Strom: friend attended Seahawks game and could not hear thunder. He talked briefly about the meeting he attended on ATV's; he came away from the meeting feeling a lot more confident about the new law on ATV's. Some discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hodo: no comment

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Susan O'Leary, lives east of Rite Way Auto on SR2, stated that she almost hit a bicyclist that was riding east down the sidewalk on SR2, there is a limited view of sight due to vehicles being parked next to the sidewalk on the property West of her driveway at Rite Way Auto. The vehicles block the line of sight for her to safely pull out onto SR2 and also block her sight of foot and bike traffic on the sidewalk. Mayor Beavers stated that this subject would be further discussed in item #2 under New Business.

Terrance Pope, 326 8<sup>th</sup> Street, asked about mini motorized bikes and how the law affects them, he has seen them several times on 8<sup>th</sup> and Evergreen Way. Brief discussion ensued.

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. DISCUSSION: UPCOMING BUDGET ORDINANCES**

Mayor Beavers stated that council had the 2012 budget and also from January till current date financials which will help them work on the 2014 budget. He placed the documents on the wall for viewing and briefly talked about the levy class that will be held on October 8<sup>th</sup>, preliminary property tax for 2014 and the pay back of PERS for Karl Majerle.

Mayor Beavers stated that the vacuum truck will coming in about a week to clean the storm drains throughout the city and he will need a motion from council for that expenditure. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the expenditure for the vacuum truck with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilmember Ware briefly talked about a priority budget. Brief discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers stated that at the end of the year the Sheriff contract is up. Not sure what the impact will be but will be working on that.

Councilmember Martin asked about timber values. Treasurer Oestreich stated that there was no forecast for that because there is still logging going on although hasn't been a lot. Most of the tax goes to the schools. Brief discussion on timber tax and liquor sale tax ensued.

### **2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: STREET PROJECTS**

There was much discussion on photos of the parking issue on SR-2. Mayor Beavers talked about the measurements that he did in the photos.

Public Works Director Light stated that it needs to be looked at city wide not just in the one area. Brief discussion ensued.

### **3. CITY CLERK POSITION: LISA STOWE APPLICATION**

Mayor briefly explained what Lisa Stowe has gotten the cities filing system in order and up to archivist standards.

#### **Back to discussion under item #2.**

Terri Holcomb, 824 Linda Avenue asked for an update on Linda Avenue.

Mayor Beavers stated that Linda Avenue is now closed; there is an 8ft hole that still needs to be filled in. Brief discussion ensued.

Mark Hopkins has put in a quote of \$1,000 which is for about 7 hrs worth of work for removing the blackberries off Gunn Road; we are still looking at some other areas that could use some attention also if the equipment is here. Mayor Beavers figured that if we asked for some other areas to be covered it would bring the price up to about \$1,500.

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$1,500 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Beavers talked briefly about a grant from the Transportation Board for work that needs to be done on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West and Timber Lane, both need to be ground down and overlaid. Brief discussion ensued.

Mayor Beavers talked briefly about the REET Fund for information only.

#### **Continue discussion on Clerk position.**

Mayor Beavers stated that Lisa Stowe has applied as the City Clerk. The amendments to her contract is full duties of a City Clerk and Mayor Beavers would like to bring her up to \$20 an hour in 2014 because she is taking on a lot more responsibility, with no more time than 24 hrs in a week with an expectation of 16hr a week. She will continue to work on updating our ordinances as needed. She will not be receiving benefits.

There was a council consensus to have Lisa continue as Clerk.

Brief discussion ensued on the Treasurer position.

#### **4. FIRST READING: ORDINANCE 644 AMENDING GBMC .08.010**

Mayor Beavers showed the changes that had been made.

Councilmember Martin made a motion to approve with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. Motion was approved by consensus.

Mayor Beavers read Ordinance 644 by title.

#### **5. INTRODUCTION: ORDINANCE RESTRICTING MARIJUANA BUSINESSES IN R ZONES**

Mayor Beavers went over the draft of the ordinance. Brief discussion ensued.

Stacy McGregor, 40322 Dorman Road talked briefly about the current laws and the city getting their ordinances in regards to zoning order before an actual business applies for a license. Much discussion ensued.

#### **6. DISCUSSION: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE SCHEDULE**

Mayor Beavers stated that the city has applied for a \$10,000 grant towards the Comprehensive Plan which is due mid-2015, this year we'll just be getting the documents in order. There will be an ad hoc committee to work on it in 2014. Brief discussion ensued. Mayor Beavers will fix the one mistake that was found.

#### **7. APROVAL: INTERTIE ILA WITH PUD**

Mayor Beavers stated that there is an old intertie with PUD; this is the updated version with some wording changes and mistakes fixed. Brief discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hodo made a motion to approve the ILA with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion. The intertie ILA with PUD was approved by 4-0.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Martin made a motion to approve the minutes as amended for September 3, 2013 with Councilmember Hodo seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware made a motion to approve vouchers 20506-20556 for a total of \$226,425.67 with Councilmember Strom seconding the motion.

Councilmember Ware believed that we are over budget on one of the line items.

Vouchers were approved by Consensus.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS: None**

Leroy Kramer and Lee Miller thanked everyone for taking care of the brush on Gunn Road.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Strom made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Martin seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Attest:

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Denise Beaston, Utility Clerk

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 1, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Strom, and Martin. Staff present included Public Works Director John Light, Utility Clerk Denise Beaston, Clerk Lisa Stowe, and Chief Casey.

Councilmember Ware was absent. Councilmember Strom moved to excuse Councilmember Ware's absence and with a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Martin moved to approve the agenda as presented. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

A press release on the bank fraud recovery was reviewed.

AWC, as the city's insurance carrier, paid the difference remaining in the fraud case, including the deductible.

Lisa Stowe was introduced as the new city clerk.

The position of city treasurer is open and has been posted. There are no applications yet.

The auditor has requested pre-reviews of financial documents. Mayor Beavers is working with Toni Nelson, specialist in small cities, for taking on quarterly review of financials. The cost will be \$1,000 per quarter, which will be in the proposed budget.

The city of Tukwila has an analysis on marijuana businesses that is thorough. Mayor Beavers suggested that the Council read through for upcoming ordinance amendments.

Mayor Beavers reviewed the recent audit. One item relating to the format of Davis-Bacon reporting from the Department of Transportation was discussed. Mayor Beavers feels the city is getting a thorough review by the auditors.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

1) Chief Casey is reviewing the Sheriff's contract proposal with the city.

Chief Casey talked about reports regarding a white van. He strongly encouraged residents to call 911 for any suspicious behavior, but also said the van can't be singled out if there is not suspicious behavior.

Burglaries and drug calls are up, and one burglary relating to gold coins might have been solved earlier if people had called 911.

There was discussion around using 911 as a non-emergency number. Currently Snohomish County does not have a crime line so 911 is the number to call.

2) Public Works Director John Light said catch basins and storm drains were cleaned and no flooding was seen with the recent rainstorms.

Hydrants will be flushed on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Whenever there are issues with water, residents are encouraged to call the city.

3) Clerk Lisa Stowe talked about ordinance review and asked the council to let her know if they come across needed revisions.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

1) Councilmember Hodo and Mayor Beavers talked about the auditor's report regarding Davis-Bacon paperwork.

2) Councilmember Martin will attend a dinner for Snohomish County Cities on October 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss legislative issues for small cities.

She also encouraged attendance at a candidate forum at the Sultan High School this Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will be a chance to meet those running for office.

3) The councilmembers welcomed Clerk Stowe.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Resident Bobby Stilwater responded to issues around his truck parked on a corner, that appears to block visibility. This issue is part of a wider review of line-of-sight areas in the city. Stilwater also commented on drainage issues at his property. He will provide Mayor Beavers with a video of the drainage. Stilwater will also provide the city with a copy of a contractor's proposal to deal with drainage. Councilmember Hodo asked where the proposed work would take place, which led to discussion around the street right of way.

A resident who did not identify herself spoke on the visibility issues created by the parked truck.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1) Changes to the code enforcement ordinance were discussed. The revisions are needed because current code lacks full enforcement options. Utility Clerk Beaston discussed what the changes would be and how this would impact enforcement of violations.

2) Paula Thomas spoke about the book, *Boom Town, USA*, which outlines steps to success for small cities. She is part of an organization meeting on this topic and encouraged people to join. If anyone has questions, or would like to be placed on a mailing list, Thomas can be contacted through Councilmember Martin.

3) The AWC Employee Benefit Interlocal was discussed. The associated resolution adopting the Interlocal was presented at the last council meeting and has been reviewed by the city attorney. Premiums will not go up this year. With no further discussion, Councilmember Hodo moved to adopt the Resolution as presented. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

4) Ordinance #644 relating to amending GBMC 3.08.010 was presented for action. Councilmember Hodo moved to adopt Ordinance #644 amending GBMC 3.08.010 relating to expenditures of funds, providing for severability, and establishing an effective date. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

5) Resolution #13-04 relating to parking restrictions along US-2 was presented. There was discussion around line-of-sight issues at driveways and intersections, fines for violations, and how this might impact business parking. Mayor Beavers felt more work was needed on the resolution and will do this prior to the next meeting.

6) Proposed changes to city ordinances were discussed. Clerk Stowe is working on these revisions and there was discussion around prioritizing the changes. It was agreed that Titles 15, 17, and 19 would be priorities. Mayor Beavers asked for a councilmember to volunteer to audit proposed changes and Councilmember Strom agreed to do so.

7) The retainage release for the US-2 pedestrian safety sidewalk was discussed. The releases were processed from the state, but a lien came in from a contractor, on a subcontractor. Mayor Beavers will have a report on this for the council at the next meeting. There will be no action on this until then.

8) Work on the road leading to the water tanks, and associated expenses, were discussed. Councilmember Hodo moved to approve \$3,500 out of the water fund to cover these repairs. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

9) Councilmember Strom moved to approve \$400 from Fund 301 for two loads of gravel. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo moved to approve Council minutes from September 17, 2013 as presented. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo moved to accept vouchers #20557 – 20579, totaling \$21,504.80 as presented. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Gunn Road and needed repairs were discussed.

The recent burglary at the saw mill was discussed. The removal of brush will help with visibility.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Hodo moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 15, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Strom, Martin, and Ware. Staff present included Public Works Director John Light, Clerk Lisa Stowe, and Chief Casey.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo moved to approve the agenda as presented. With a second by both Councilmembers Martin and Ware, the motion carried.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

The bank fraud issue was discussed, with Mayor Beavers giving background history. All of the money was retrieved and will be appropriated back to the correct funds.

Next week, work on the budget will begin. Mayor Beavers will get information to the Council as soon as possible.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

1) Chief Casey has had increased complaints regarding phone and internet fraud. Callers are pretending to be from the PUD, for example, telling people that they have not paid their bills and demanding payment. Chief Casey reminded people to not give out personal information, to request a phone number to call back, and then to call their biller directly, using the phone number on the bill, to confirm any issues with their accounts. He also strongly encouraged residents to report these types of calls. Councilmember Martin asked if caller ID wouldn't work, but Chief Casey said that these fraud groups will illegally use legitimate phone numbers.

Chief Casey said there have been increased burglaries and drug dealing locally. He asked that residents call 911 if they see anything suspicious.

2) Public Works Director John Light updated the Council on tasks, including brush cutting work and the upcoming hydrant flushing, which will happen at night. Councilmember Ware asked about storm drains, which have been cleaned.

3) Clerk Lisa Stowe had nothing to report and continues work on ordinance amendments.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Hodo met with the Water Comp Plan engineers and after that meeting feels the city stands in pretty good shape. There will have to be a few things looked at in 2014, including fees. Water rights (use vs. allotted water) also look good. He should have figures available to help plan for next year, at the November Council meeting.

Councilmember Martin had a conflict that would not allow her to attend the upcoming meeting with legislatures, but discussion brought up that the meeting was postponed until December.

Councilmember Strom had nothing to report.

Councilmember Ware said it was good to be back.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1) The interlocal with Snohomish County for transportation of dogs was presented for action.

Fees for the transport were contrasted with the cost to the city for fuel and employee time. This type of transport would only happen when Animal Control Officer Beaston was not available. There should be limited after-hours transports because the city has holding pens. The only possible exception is in the case of pit-bulls, because those dogs get stolen from the holding area. Other cities have these types of charges built into the fee system to recoup costs. Mayor Beavers will look at that as a possibility for the city.

Because this interlocal is not an immediate issue, the Council elected to wait for action until final information has been presented. This interlocal will be on the next agenda.

2) The interlocal with Snohomish County for fire investigations was presented for action. Fees were discussed. Councilmember Ware then moved to approve the interlocal with Snohomish County for fire investigations, and with a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

3) Resolution 13-05 for loan interest rates was presented for action. After evaluating interfund loans, the auditor suggested amending interest rates. The resolution will correct interest rates to the current lower percentage than what funds have been paying. There was discussion around whether it might be better to leave the interfund payments at a higher rate in order to 'bank' more revenue within a fund. Discussion also included rate analysis, the purpose of funds, how many funds the city can have, and typographical errors in the Resolution wording.

Councilmember Ware had no objection to leaving the interest rate as it currently is, in order to help the balance of funds, but Councilmember Strom objected because he felt taxpayers ended up having to pay a higher rate. Mayor Beavers pointed out that the water user district is not contiguous to the City limits, so that those within city limits not on the water system would end up paying more than necessary to the system, thereby profiting those outside city limits. Continued discussion included the terms of the loans, the payoff dates, and options for the street fund.

With no further discussion, Councilmember Hodo moved to approve Resolution 13-05, Loan Interest Rates, as presented. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

4) An ordinance amending GBMC Chapter 1.16.010, General Penalties, was introduced. This draft is under attorney review. The ordinance relates to giving city staff the ability to enforce some civil penalties. The draft also adds enforcement action to codes that currently do not have any, such enforcing non-payment of animal control fees or foreclosed properties with no clear ownership. Mayor Beavers asked the Council to review the draft and give him comments.

Chief Casey talked about enforcement and what the Sheriff's department can, and cannot do, within the city limits.

Councilmember Ware asked if this would cover specific businesses such as marijuana operations, which it will not. This relates only to assigning authority to enforce codes. Ware then asked if marijuana regulations came under Chief Casey's ability to regulate. Chief Casey said that enforcement for marijuana comes under the authority of the Liquor Control Board.

There was some discussion around using a Hearing Examiner for code enforcement, but a different Examiner would have to be hired in order to avoid conflicts with the Hearing Examiner used for land use.

5) An ordinance amending GBMC Chapter 2.04.010, Holidays/Community Events Schedules, was introduced. Current wording talks about conflicts for Council meetings with holidays and community events, as defined in the RCWs. However, the relevant RCW does not define community events. Because of that this amendment separates the wording for clarification. Councilmember Ware asked if this meant the city had been changing meeting times illegally, but it does not as the city has been following code and giving notice. This simply corrects a typographical error in the code.

6) An ordinance amending GBMC Chapter 2.08, Clerk-Treasurer Position, was introduced. This draft separates the position into two. This draft is currently under review by the city attorney.

7) An ordinance repealing GBMC Chapter 2.21, Library Board, was introduced. Because the city no longer has a library board, and because the city is represented on the Sno-Isle Library Board, this ordinance is no longer needed.

8) An ordinance amending GBMC Chapter 2.16, Official Bonds, was introduced. Current codes say that the Clerk and Treasurer positions have to have official bonds or be covered under a blanket bond. The Government Crime Policy with AWC covers the same things as a bond does. The question is whether insurance is a bond or in lieu of a bond. There is also no definition of 'faithful performance'. Councilmember Strom pointed out a typographical error in the ordinance. Councilmember Ware also pointed one out.

9) An ordinance repealing GBMC Chapter 2.24, Police Department, was introduced. Because the city does not regulate reserve officers, this code is no longer needed.

10) An ordinance amending GBMC Chapter 2.32, Violations Bureau, was introduced. It was thought at the time this amendment was drafted that a violations bureau was no longer needed. However, after review, it may be if the city moves into code enforcement, a bureau would be needed. This issue is being looked at.

11) An ordinance amending GBMC Title 17 concerning marijuana businesses was introduced. Mayor Beavers created a map defining where this type of business might locate. The map was discussed, as was commercial zones that are used as residential zones. Regulation is not clear. Councilmember Hodo said the city is entitled to define any zone they want as a specific zone for marijuana businesses. He also said sales tax can be a requirement of conducting these businesses. This amendment will be reviewed by the city attorney.

12) An ordinance amending GBMC Chapter 15.04, Design and Construction Standards, was introduced. Basically this amendment updates Universal Building code requirements to International Building Codes.

Councilmember Ware called for a point of order. At 8:40 p.m. he moved to extend the meeting fifteen minutes. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

13) HB 1632 relating to Wheeled All Terrain Vehicles (WATVs) and the issue of noise limits was presented. There was a great deal of discussion around noise thresholds, examples of noise, where WATVs would be allowed within city limits, whether they would bring revenue in to the city, what types of vehicles would be covered under noise limitations, types of WATVs, and if allowing WATVs in the city didn't work, how easily the city could shut it down through the ordinance process.

Under the discussion on economic benefits, Councilmember Hodo agreed to invite local business owners to the next Council meeting.

At 9:15 pm, Councilmember Ware called for a point of order, and moved to extend the meeting fifteen minutes. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

14) Water meter re-setters purchase. Mayor Beavers showed an example of what a meter re-setter is, and presented a purchase order for obtaining the same. This equipment is needed for normal maintenance, and the order will cost the city \$4500. There was some discussion around whether the sales tax for this purchase would be revenue for the city. With no further discussion, Councilmember Strom moved to approve the purchase of meter re-setters for \$4500 plus tax, out of the water fund. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

15) De-icer purchase. Materials for de-icing streets and surfaces were discussed. The proposed expense would come out of fund 301. Councilmember Hodo moved to approve the purchase of two pallets of de-icing materials, to come out of fund 301. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom moved to approve the Council minutes from October 1, 2013 as presented. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried, with Councilmember Ware abstaining.

### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom moved to accept vouchers #20580 – 20609, totaling \$25,568.84, with \$15,458.58 for claims and \$10,110.26 for payroll, as presented. With a second by Councilmember Ware, the motion carried. Councilmember Ware asked about the warrant for Westside Fire, which was for updating all fire extinguishers.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 5, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Strom, Martin, and Ware. Staff included Public Works Director John Light, Clerk Lisa Stowe, Treasurer Harry Oestreich and Chief Casey.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to approve the agenda as amended. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

The Council will meet each Tuesday between now and mid-December to work on the 2014 budget. Mayor Beavers will post a Special Meeting Notice.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Chief Casey talked about the recent thefts and car prowls. There is a person of interest in these cases. He also said the white van has moved on.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Martin attended a Boom Town meeting and would like to see more Gold Bar representation. She talked about the purpose of the meetings (improving economic status and business in the valley), and encouraged people to attend the meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Carpooling is available. Councilmember Ware thanked Councilmember Martin and, since he had advocated increasing revenue, felt this looked geared toward that goal.

Mayor Beavers will find a plan for increasing business that was done previously, and will have it available at the next meeting.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Ted Jackson spoke on sustainable roads and the Mt. Baker – Snoqualmie National Forest. He gave a handout regarding public meetings to help identify a road system.

Steven Fore spoke on recreation and how it impacts his business. He also talked about sales tax distribution and revenue for the city.

Bobby Stilwater said he will move his truck. He presented photos of traffic from Rico's that blocking access and visibility. Mayor Beavers requested copies of the photos. Stilwater also talked about the drainage issue on the city right-of-way. The city will furnish a load of gravel and he will provide the equipment and labor to spread it.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1) Animal Control Transport ILA.**

This interlocal still needs approval by Snohomish County, so no action will be taken by the city at this time.

Steven Fore spoke on problems he has with feral and domestic cats. He talked about how dangerous cats are, and the damage they cause, as well as the difficulty he has had in dealing with them. Councilmember Strom suggested he call Pasado's, as that agency helps with cats. Fore feels the city should regulate cats.

### **2) Ordinance amending Title 15**

The sections on building code still need revisions.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1) WATV (Wheeled All-Terrain Vehicles) Economic Impact**

This is part of a study the city is doing prior to making decisions on whether these vehicles will be allowed on city streets.

There was a great deal of discussion both for and against the usage, as well as whether people felt this activity would benefit, or harm, local businesses. Highlights of the extended discussion included the following.

a) The noise of vehicles. Councilmember Martin attended a meeting in Sultan where these types of vehicles were demonstrated. She found them much quieter than motorcycles and felt the objection to noise may come from those who are not familiar with the specific size and type of vehicles that will be allowed on streets. Mike Moore stated that he had more serious noise issues from motorcycles and cars with thumping music.

b) Business notification. Councilmember Hodo took letters door to door but several business owners felt they had not been notified. In particular, Steven Fore said he knew nothing about this issue. Mayor Beavers reminded him that ATV use on public streets has been talked about for almost three years and there have been numerous publicized meetings on the topic.

Mayor Beavers said the city is still gathering information and all business owners are welcome to submit comments to the city.

c) Types of vehicles. Bobby Stilwater asked if this would include snowmobiles, which it will not. His question led to the type of ATV involved.

d) Routes. This was discussed at great length and included which routes Snohomish County has yet to approve, and how that will impact which routes Gold Bar will approve.

e) Revenue. Some business owners felt this activity would increase business and some felt it would not. This also segued into the increased expenses involved, such as for law enforcement and signage.

f) Final comments. The Council felt it would be best to wait until final approvals from Snohomish County are in, and to watch what other communities do. The city is also still in the information gathering stage, so no decisions will be made at this time.

Discussion spread among the audience until Mayor Beavers acted on moving to the next agenda item. At that time, many in the audience moved outside and continued audible discussions.

## 2) 2013 Projected Budget.

Treasurer Oestreich presented a handout on the projected ending fund balances. Revenue came in higher than anticipated. This revenue included one-time revenues such as from the sale of the fire department and return of revenue from the bank fraud. There was discussion around anticipated increases.

Councilmember Ware talked about the litigation fund and how he would like to see the negative balance cured by a payment from the general fund.

Councilmember Strom clarified the use of parentheses and how they related to expenditures and revenues.

Mayor Beavers said there is a candidate for city treasurer but a final decision will not be made until the new mayor has a chance to interview. He also said the use of small city specialist Toni Nelson for end of year audits still needed to be budgeted.

## 3) 2014 Projected Revenues

There was more discussion around the increased revenues and how they came from one-time actions. Treasurer Oestreich said utility taxes have come in slightly higher, and city assistance

and liquor profits can be anticipated to come in higher. He also said beginning balances will be higher depending on what the Council decided to do regarding the litigation fund.

Councilmember Ware proposed repaying as much as possible of what remains regarding the litigation fund, and not budgeting to a zero balance.

4) Resolution 13-06, Employee Benefit ILA

This interlocal is through AWC, which has been buying insurance but is now moving toward a self-insured model. Mayor Beavers would like to have legal review of the interlocal.

Councilmember Ware moved to approve the AWC Employee Benefit Interlocal, pending legal review. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

5) Ordinance 645 Amending GBMC 1.16.010, First Reading.

Clerk Stowe pointed out that the agenda listed this ordinance draft as amending Title 2. Because of that the agenda was reviewed against the ordinances listed and corrections made.

Councilmember Ware then moved to amend the agenda as noted and with a second by Councilmember Strom the motion carried.

After a brief review of Ordinance 645, Councilmember Martin moved to accept Ordinance 645 amending Chapter 1.16.010 for a first reading. Councilmember Strom seconded the motion. Mayor Beavers read the Ordinance into record, a vote was called, and the motion carried.

Record for Ordinance 645, first reading: An ordinance of the City of Gold Bar, Washington, amending GBMC 1.16.010 related to code enforcement; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

6) Ordinance 646 Amending GBMC 8.05.030, First Reading.

This draft relating to recycling was reviewed. Councilmember Ware moved to accept Ordinance 646 amending GBMC 8.05.030 for a first reading. Councilmember Hodo seconded the motion.

Councilmember Ware called for a point of order reminding the Mayor and Council that the next meeting will be a special meeting for budget review, so these ordinances will have their second readings at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Clerk Stowe reminded the Council that no vote had been taken on the motion. Mayor Beavers then read the Ordinance into record. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

Record for Ordinance 646, first reading: An ordinance of the City of Gold Bar, Washington, amending GBMC 8.05 related to curbside recycling; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

7) Ordinance 647, amending GBMC Title 2, first reading.

Mayor Beavers reviewed the changes, which included removing outdated information, updating information, and making changes to bonds and the violation bureau.

Councilmember Strom moved to accept Ordinance 647 amending GBMC Title 2 for a first reading. Councilmember Hodo seconded the motion. Mayor Beavers read the Ordinance into record, a vote was called and the motion carried.

Record for Ordinance 647, first reading: An ordinance of the city of Gold Bar, Washington, amending GBMC Title 2 related to administration and personnel; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

8) Ordinance 648 amending GBMC Title 17.

Councilmember Hodo talked about the definitions of home occupations and how that relates to marijuana-related businesses. Potential locations of this type of business were also discussed.

Councilmember Ware moved to accept Ordinance 647 amending GBMC Title 2 for a first reading. Councilmember Strom seconded the motion. Mayor Beavers read the Ordinance into record, a vote was called and the motion carried.

Record for Ordinance 648, first reading: An ordinance of the city of Gold Bar, Washington, amending GBMC Title 17 related to marijuana businesses; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

At this point in the meeting Councilmember Ware proposed deferring the agenda items relating to approval of the Comprehensive Plan grant and the litigation status until the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. Mayor Beavers said that the grant may need to be included in the Special Meeting agenda depending on grant deadlines. There was consensus among the Council for these deferments.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Hodo moved to approve the Council minutes from October 15, 2013 as presented. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

## **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to accept vouchers #20610 – 20668, totaling \$71,777.38, with \$51,631.76 for claims and \$20,145.62 for payroll, as presented. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Susan Forbes said that candidate Linda Loen was the new mayor.

Dorothy Croshaw said that lighting at the city hall building was bad, especially around the steps. Councilmember Ware also noted problems with street lights at the end of his street. Mayor Beavers will have these issues looked at.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Ware moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 12, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Strom, Martin, and Ware. Also present was Treasurer Harry Oestreich.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

This was a special meeting and the agenda could not be changed.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### 1) Second Reading and Approval – Ordinance 648

By motion to Councilmember Hodo and second by Councilmember Strom to approve Ordinance 648 for a second reading. Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Beavers read the ordinance by title.

By motion of Councilmember Hodo and second by Councilmember Strom to approve Ordinance 648 for passage. Motion passed 4-0.

#### 2) Approval Comprehensive Plan Grant

The Department of Commerce Grant was discussed. Topics included growth potential, optional approaches for growth and marijuana business impacts on subsequent use of nearby properties.

Mayor Beavers pointed out the Vision Statement for Gold Bar which read:

The City of Gold Bar's heritage of mining and logging is reflected as we grow into a financially sound, community oriented city where recreation is our community's business and our rural character is our community treasure.

The grant approval was tabled pending receipt of the final edited grant from Commerce.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1) First Reading: Ordinance 649 2013 Amended Budget**

Ordinance 649 amending the 2013 budget was presented for a first reading. A discussion on when the final reading was needed ensued. The schedule was set as Public Hearing on November 19 and second reading for approval on December 17.

By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Strom, Ordinance 649 was approved for a first reading. Mayor Beavers read the ordinance by title. Motion passed 4-0.

### **2) Approval: Resolution 13-06 Employment Benefit ILA**

By motion of Councilmember Strom with second by Councilmember Ware to approve Resolution 13-06. Motion passed 4-0.

### **3) Discussion: 2014 Levy Certification**

The annual levy for property taxes was discussed. The Public Hearing was set for November 19.

### **4) Discussion: 2014 Projected Revenues**

The projected revenues were reviewed and discussed. Discussion items covered the 2014 litigation expense estimate, the use of the 405 reserve, and stormwater income.

### **5) Discussion: 2014 Projected Expenditures**

These projections had not yet been completed by staff and will be reviewed at future meetings.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Martin, the meeting was adjourned. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Beavers closed the meeting at 8:27 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 19, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Martin, Strom, and Ware. Staff included Public Works Director John Light, Clerk Lisa Stowe, Treasurer Harry Oestreich and Chief Casey. Also present was Mayor Elect Linda Loen.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Strom moved to approve the agenda as presented. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

In Chief Casey's absence, Mayor Beavers talked about recent arrests that were direct results of people calling 911 promptly.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Clerk Stowe continues to work on code review and ordinance amendments.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Martin attended another Boom Town meeting and was excited to see the potential for Sky Valley.

Councilmember Ware asked about the empty council seat and if it would be possible to fill the position early. Mayor Beavers has to check with the auditor as the new Councilmember filed for Councilmember Hodo's seat, and Councilmember Hodo filed for the empty seat.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Jim Thorpe talked to the Council about possibly opening a new business selling fertilizers for the growth of marijuana. This would include a test bed to monitor the effectiveness of the fertilizers and soils. He hopes the business would be able to expand into other agricultural areas. There was discussion around the location of the business, the number of employees, what other aspects of the marijuana business might be included, if Mr. Thorpe had a grower's license, I-502 laws, conditional use permits, sales tax revenue to the city, and possible locations.

Councilmember Ware asked Mr. Thorpe why he chose Gold Bar as a location for the business. Mr. Thorpe said it is a relatively safe community, with a low crime rate as compared to larger cities, properties are less expensive, and he felt new jobs would be welcomed.

There were no Council objections to this type of business.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Beavers reviewed a list of litigations, reviewing the status of each. Councilmember Ware clarified that there was one still pending, one that has been stayed, and one that may be appealed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1) Exit conference, State Auditor. Three members of the Auditor's Office presented exit conference materials. Audit Manager Casey Dwyer gave handouts to the Council and reviewed the Accountability Audit Report. Ms. Dwyer recommended long term financial planning, and a review and update of policies and procedures. She recognized that the city was aware of financial issues and working on them. Councilmember Ware said there was only one finding in the report and asked if there were more in other reports. Ms. Dwyer said there was only one finding.

Councilmember Strom asked what constituted 'timely and accurate' information. Ms. Dwyer said monthly information to the Council would be considered timely.

Councilmember Martin asked about complaints to the Auditor's office. There were so many complaints received that Ms. Dwyer said it 'broke their record'. Councilmember Martin asked if reviewing all those complaints added to the final costs of the audit. She also asked if it would be possible to find out who the complaints came from. Ms. Dwyer said that while all the complaints had to be looked at, only a couple needed to be reviewed, and as the complaints were part of the initial planning process, they were included in the planning costs. She did acknowledge that the number of complaints can increase cost. She also said that after the final version of the audit is completed, the names of those who complained can be disclosed through a public records request.

Councilmember Ware returned to the topic of 'timely' review. He pointed out that the Council does a review every two weeks, which included expenditures and the budget. Ms. Dwyer deferred to Audit Lead Lisa Erdman, who said that the reports provided were based more on vendor data and she was not sure how that went toward the budget. Councilmember Ware said the Council has an expense sheet that is compared to line item budget items and is reviewed bi-weekly. Ms. Erdman said if that covered expenditures and there was a misunderstanding about

the process she can make changes to the audit draft. She offered to meet with Councilmember Ware after the meeting.

A financial report was released and published in September in order to meet a deadline, so the Council has had time to review that portion of the audit. The federal summary was reviewed and had a clean opinion with no finding in financial statements and no issues of non-compliance. Audit Supervisor Jayne Bentler commented on a material weakness regarding internal control to monitor the federal highway grant. Ms. Bentler recommended for future grants that the city establish greater oversight processes. Councilmember Martin said the report was onerous as it expected the city to be fully aware of all federal provisions. Ms. Dwyer said most small cities receive findings in this area as they allow the hired engineer to do all the oversight in the expectation that the engineer knows what to do. Ms. Bentler said that when federal money is issued, there is an expectation that a city will be aware of federal requirements.

A Management letter was reviewed. Recommendations included having a person independent of the one creating the statements, review financial statements. Councilmember Ware asked if that was something the financial committee could do and Ms. Dwyer said yes. Discussion moved into the need for bank statements to also be reviewed, and how often those reviews had to happen. After the discussion about using a checklist found on the auditor's website, it became apparent that there was confusion around what had to be reviewed and when. The checklist should be used to review only the annual financial statements. Monthly reviews of bank statements do not need to use the checklist. They only need to be reviewed and signed by someone like the Mayor. Finally, Ms. Dwyer said that because the city has one bond that requires annual auditing, they will be back next year for that audit.

Councilmember Ware said there were good findings in the report and thanked the auditors.

At 7:55 pm the meeting was paused in order to allow the auditors to leave and for a break. The meeting was reconvened by Mayor Beavers at 8:00 pm.

2) Public Hearing, 2014 Levy Certification. A public hearing for the 2014 Levy Certification was called to order at 8:01 pm. A call for comments was issued. When there were no comments the public meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

3) Approval: 2014 Levy Certification. Councilmember Hodo moved to accept the 2014 Levy Certification as presented. With a second by both Councilmembers Ware and Martin, the motion carried.

4) Public Hearing: 2014 projected revenues. A public hearing for review of projected revenues for 2014 was called to order at 8:03 pm. A call for comments was issued. When there were no comments the public meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

5) Approval of City Treasurer Appointment. Shelley Ann Jensen was introduced. Mayor Elect Loen felt Ms. Jensen would be good for the city. Interim Finance Director Oestreich will be available to help with training and for continuity. Ms. Jensen is excited about the big undertaking and was thankful she was able to be at the meeting for the audit review. Councilmember Ware

moved to approve the appointment of Shelley Ann Jensen as City Treasurer. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

6) Discussion, 2014 Expenditures. This was the first review of expenditures. A handout described how money would be spent by vendor. Councilmember Ware is working on prioritizing the budget. Treasurer Oestreich will have the totals broken down by funds for the next meeting. A special meeting will be held on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Beavers asked for agenda items by the 21<sup>st</sup>. Councilmember Martin will not be able to attend.

7) Second reading and approval of Ordinance #645. Ordinance #645 relating to code enforcement was presented for a second reading and action. Councilmember Strom moved to accept Ordinance #645 for a second reading, and with a second by Councilmember Hodo the motion carried. Resident Dorothy Croshaw asked if the motions for second readings and adoptions could be combined. Clerk Stowe said that they could.

Councilmember Martin moved to approve Ordinance #645 for adoption as presented. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

Record for Ordinance #645, adoption: an ordinance of the City of Gold Bar, Washington, amending GBMC 1.16.010 related to code enforcement; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

8) Second Reading and approval, Ordinance #646. Councilmember Ware moved to accept Ordinance #646 relating to curbside recycling for a second reading and approval. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

Record for Ordinance #646, adoption: an ordinance of the City of Gold Bar, Washington, amending GBMC 8.05 related to curbside recycling; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

9) Second reading and approval, Ordinance #647 amending Title 2. Councilmember Ware moved to accept Ordinance #647 for a second reading and approval. With a second by Councilmember Strom the motion carried.

Record for Ordinance #647, adoption: an ordinance of the City of Gold Bar, Washington, amending GBMC Title 2 related to administration and personnel; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

10) Approval, employee blanket bond. This relates to the RCW requirement. Councilmember Martin asked about the cost to the city, which will be \$100 per year. Discussion included the amount of the bond, staff requirements, and comparison to the Association of Washington Cities. With no further discussion, Councilmember Ware moved to approve the blanket bond for signature. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

11) Approval, BIAS service agreement for 2014. Listed in this service agreement was information about the annual conference in Spokane, and training opportunities.

Councilmember Martin asked if the recent audit hadn't said that the city had no contract. Mayor Beavers clarified that the city had no contract for general IT services. This is specifically for the BIAS software.

Councilmember Ware asked Treasurer Oestreich if the service agreement was worth the effort. Treasurer Oestreich said that he and Utility Clerk Beaston utilized the service several times a month, and with a new Treasurer starting, he strongly recommended keeping the service.

Mayor Beavers reviewed the cost for onsite training and said this cost had been budgeted for and would be important for the new Mayor and the new Treasurer. There was some discussion around the cost, and sales tax.

With no further discussion, Councilmember Ware moved to approve signing the BIAS service agreement for 2014, and in addition, to approve sending two staff members to the annual conference and providing for training for two staff members. Councilmember Hodo seconded the motion.

Councilmember Strom felt it would be cleaner to approve the contract separate from the training. Mayor Elect Loen stated that the contract is a service agreement and training is different accounting. Councilmember Ware then retracted his motion.

Councilmember Ware moved to approve the BIAS service agreement for 2014. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

12) Backhoe tire. A photo of the tire that needs to be replaced was presented. There was discussion around hourly rates, the purchase order, fuel surcharges, and the possibility of additional expenses for unforeseen circumstances.

Councilmember Strom moved to approve purchase of a new tire for the backhoe with a budget of \$1500. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to approve the Council minutes from November 5, 2013 as presented. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried. Clerk Stowe asked the Council and Mayor if, after having now seen two months of minutes, they were happy with the level of content and detail provided in the minutes, which they were.

Councilmember Strom moved to accept the minutes from the Special Meeting of November 12, 2013, as presented. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

## **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to accept vouchers #20669 – 20693, totaling \$13,075.31, with \$11,075.31 for claims and \$2,000 for payroll, as presented. With a second by Councilmember

Strom, the motion carried. Councilmember Ware questioned check #20679 to Kenyon Disend, with a deferral, which he is not in favor of. Treasurer Oestreich explained that there was no authorized budget to cover that expense, and it will be paid before the end of the year through the 2013 budget amendment. Councilmember Ware wanted to make sure the expense did not carry forward to 2014, which it will not. Councilmember Ware then accepted the deferral.

Councilmember Ware brought up the subject of fuel purchases through Sultan. He asked if it would be more beneficial to have fuel purchased locally. Discussion included sales tax revenue, local jobs, the additional work needed for federal taxes and reporting, and additional overhead. The general consensus was that this could be a favorable change but that it needed further research and analysis.

At 9:00 pm Councilmember Ware moved to extend the meeting ten minutes. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Ware moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 26, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Strom, Martin, and Ware. Also present was Public Works Director John Light and Treasurer Harry Oestreich.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

This was a special meeting and the agenda could not be changed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) Resolution 13-07 for the 2014 Tax Levy was presented. Mayor Beavers noted that the increase in the levy from last year was shown as the dollar increase over the expected 2013 revenues. He noted that the increase might be over the 2013 levy on that year's resolution instead. He asked for a motion for approval of the resolution as would be approved by the Snohomish County Auditor. By motion of Councilmember Hodo and second by Councilmember Ware, the motion was approved by a 4-0 vote.
- 2) The single quote received for the pothole repair was reviewed. John Light asked for a budget that would cover the \$ 12,237.04 plus a contingency. Councilmember Hodo asked if the expenditure would come out of Fund 301 and Mayor Beavers answered yes. Councilmember Ware made a motion for a budget of \$ 16,000.00 for the project which was seconded by Councilmember Strom. Motion passed 4-0.
- 3) Budget spreadsheets for 2014 expenditures by vendor were provided along with quotes for a server upgrade and a preliminary 2014 Sheriff contract budget. There was general discussion concerning the budget items. It was noted that a budget spreadsheet by line item would be available at the next council meeting.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

By motion of Councilmember Strom and second by Councilmember Martin, the meeting was adjourned. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Beavers closed the meeting at 8:26 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 3, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Strom, and Ware. Also present were Public Works Director John Light, Chief Casey, Mayor Elect Linda Loen, and Clerk Lisa Stowe. Councilmember Strom moved to accept Councilmember Martin's absence as excused. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to approve the agenda for the December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting as presented. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

### **OATH OF OFFICE**

Clerk Stowe administered oaths of office to Councilmember Hodo and Thomas Palmer, both for short and four-year terms. Once the oaths were administered, Councilmembers Hodo and Palmer took their seats.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The city of Snohomish's mayor, Karen Guzak, represented the City of Gold Bar on the Snohomish County Health District Board for the past year. Mayor Beavers asked the Council to review the letter from the Health District requesting a representative for 2014, and let him know if anyone is interested. Approval is needed prior to January 14<sup>th</sup>.

A letter regarding the Boeing 777 was presented. Mayor Beavers asked the Council to review it and give him any comments.

A packet of ATV comments was given to the Council for review.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Public Works Director Light talked about a recent Community Assessment Visit (CAV) with representatives from the Department of Ecology and FEMA. The CAV happens annually and is part of the National Flood Insurance Program. For this meeting, review topics included shorelines in the city, compliance with WACs and RCWs, questions about specific structures, public comment periods, and the city's permit process. CAV members were pleased with the way the city is handling permits and with the review process. They will follow up with a letter to the city. Councilmember Ware asked if there was an

obligation to review public comments that came in after the public comment period. Director Light said that anything he receives, even if outside the comment period, gets forwarded to the Hearing Examiner.

Clerk Stowe said that while doing the minutes for the November 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, she realized voucher numbers did not match minutes from the November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. She reviewed both meetings and Treasurer's receipts, and then reviewed numbers with Utility Clerk Beaston and Treasurer Oestreich. The voucher numbers in the minutes from the November 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting were incorrect, whether taken from a previous draft agenda or from a simple typographical error. She said the cleanest way to correct the problem would be for the Council to move to amend the minutes from the November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Councilmember Ware then moved to amend the minutes from the November 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, correcting voucher numbers and amending those numbers from '20613 – 20631' to the correct voucher numbers of '20610 – 20668'. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

Chief Casey talked about activities since the last report, including break-ins, an assault, and associated arrests.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Palmer talked to the person who wants to start a fertilizer business. The business may be located in the Loth Lumber area, and Councilmember Palmer asked that the city be kept informed.

Councilmember Ware welcomed Councilmember Palmer.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Resident Lee Miller talked about problems with drug deals on his property and asked for extra patrols. Chief Casey agreed and also encouraged Miller to call 911. Mayor Beavers also encouraged Miller to do the same, stating that calls documented hot spots.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) Final Budgeting Schedule. Treasurer Oestreich continues to work on distributing expenditures over funds. There will be a special meeting on December 10<sup>th</sup> for a first reading and public hearing, followed by a second reading at the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- 2) Staffing for 2014. Salary and benefit charts need to be checked again. Utility Clerk Beaston's position may have a title change to 'Office Manager' due to the numerous tasks she does. Mayor Beavers is also compiling lists of specific jobs and duties. Shelley Jensen has started her training as Treasurer.
- 3) Ordinance #650, 2014 Budget. This ordinance was presented for introduction. Funds and figures on the spread sheet were reviewed. Councilmember Ware asked why the loan for streets was handled as a transfer and the loan for litigations was handled as income. Mayor Beavers wasn't sure but said technically they should both be listed as income but the auditors did not comment on this, and if the loans were both listed as income they would disappear off of the spread sheet.

Councilmember Strom asked when the Council would get a printout. Mayor Beavers said by next Tuesday, although Treasurer Oestreich will probably have it sooner.

- 4) Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Management Services. Mayor Beavers will send a copy of this agreement to AWC and the attorney for review. Mayor Beavers asked the Council to get any comments to him. Councilmember Ware said this was something the city had to do, and Public Works Director Light agreed, saying law required the city either belong to this, or have one of their own.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Mayor Beavers presented minutes from the Special Meeting of November 26<sup>th</sup>. Councilmember Ware moved to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting of November 26<sup>th</sup> as presented. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to accept vouchers 20694 – 20726, with \$6477.74 for claims and \$17102.89 for payroll, as presented. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

# City of Gold Bar

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**City of Gold Bar  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, December 10, 2013**

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Strom, Palmer, Martin and Ware. Also present were Public Works Director John Light and Interim Finance Officer Harry Oestreich.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

This was a special meeting and the agenda was fixed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) A line item budget was presented for 2014. All funds were reviewed and discussed. John Light and Richard Baker were to evaluate needs for the water and stormwater funds for 2014 to determine if the expense budgets were sufficient for expected maintenance projects.
- 2) The Public Hearing for the 2014 Budget was opened at 7:40 pm. No one stepped up to comment and the hearing was closed at 7:41 pm.
- 3) Ordinance #650, 2014 Budget. By motion of Councilmember Strom and second by Councilmember Hodo, this ordinance was approved for first reading. Mayor Beavers read the ordinance by title. Motion carried.
- 4) Harry Oestreich reviewed the proposed 2013 budget ordinance and noted that the revenues were at or above budget numbers. He will include the next set of vouchers in the version presented for the second reading.
- 5) Mayor Beavers noted that the ILA for Emergency Management Services was approved by AWC and the City Attorney. By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Hodo to approve the ILA. Motion carried.

- 6) The TIB Grant was presented with the City's match of \$ 5,636. By motion of Councilmember Ware and second by Councilmember Strom to approve the matching fund for the grant. Motion carried.
- 7) Councilmember Ware excused himself from the discussion of the Boeing/Machinist letter in order to insure he did not create a possible conflict of interest. He left the meeting and went home at 7:59 pm.

A spirited discussion ensued over the proposed letter. Councilmembers Strom and Hodo felt that the City had no need to get involved in this issue. Councilmember Martin felt that the letter simply added our opinion to other opinions. Councilmember Palmer felt that the City should stand behind the workers if it were to make any statement. Mayor-elect Loen felt that the letter could possibly alienate both sides and would serve no useful purpose.

The consensus was not to sign the letter.

#### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

There were no minutes for approval.

#### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

There were no vouchers for approval.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Palmer moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

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Joe Beavers, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk

# City of Gold Bar

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## City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 17, 2013

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

Mayor Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Councilmembers Hodo, Martin, Palmer, Strom, and Ware. Also present were Public Works Director John Light, Chief Casey, Mayor Elect Linda Loen, Treasurer Shelley Jensen, Utility Clerk Denise Beaston, and Clerk Lisa Stowe.

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to approve the agenda for the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as amended. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Beavers asked Public Works Director Light when he last spoke to resident Bobby Stilwater, which was two weeks ago. Stilwater was told to move vehicles. More vehicles have been added and the area is now a safety hazard. Mayor Beavers suggested marking the area as a no parking zone. Director Light will talk to Stilwater one more time.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Director Light said there have been a lot of accomplishments over the last four years, and thanked Mayor Beavers for his work.

Director Light and Mayor Beavers met with Pace Engineering concerning the Water Comprehensive Plan. Revisions are still being worked on and some changes were made to the Plan and to rate schedules, which the council will review. Some of the changes related to replacement of aging equipment, including two trucks, and staffing. There was discussion about capital funds. Councilmember Ware questioned replacing two trucks through the water comprehensive plan, as the use of trucks would be more general than water specific. Mayor Beavers felt that was a good point and this will be discussed further. There was discussion around the twenty-year vision of the water comprehensive plan.

Director Light said the hired contractor has started paving pot holes, and said he received a grant for work on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West and Timberlane. This work will not have to go out to bid, and he is creating an interlocal with Snohomish County.

Clerk Stowe presented a letter from Community Transit requesting a representative on the Transportation Board. She also presented a letter from the Health District seeking the annual appointment of a

representative. Councilmember Palmer may be interested in that position. Both letters will need a response by the next Council meeting.

Chief Casey talked about the impact the holiday season has on depression and crime rates. He asked that people keep an eye on friends and neighbors.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Ware has enjoyed working with Mayor Beavers and said that Mayor Beavers has done more than required, and that has been appreciated. He said the city wouldn't have functioned without that.

Councilmember Martin also thanked Mayor Beavers. She attended the Winterfest in Sultan and reminded people that there is a giving tree in the Sultan Visitor Center that still has names of people needing help.

Councilmember Palmer thanked Mayor Beavers for his service.

Councilmember Strom also thanked Mayor Beavers and said he will miss their visits, and appreciated his wisdom.

Councilmember Hodo thanked Mayor Beavers for his help the past year, and for information that kept Councilmember Hodo going along.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Resident Fonda Ells said that the Red Hats have enjoyed working with Mayor Beavers and will be available for Mayor-Elect Loen.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Water Comprehensive Plan Draft. Further discussion around this Plan included rate increases, infrastructure needs, and that changes should be made by the end of January.

2. 2014 Sheriff Contract. This has been reviewed by AWC and is waiting on the lawyer's verbal approval. Discussion included a discount for space, increased cost due to some services the city received for free that should have been paid for, and a boost to staffing and coverage for the area. Councilmember Hodo moved to accept the 2014 Sheriff Contract as written. With a second by Councilmember Ware, the motion carried.

3. Ordinance #649, 2013 Budget Amendment, Second Reading and Action. This was reviewed against the current budget position. Councilmember Ware questioned amounts in one fund and asked if there had been a change from the previous draft. After discussion, Mayor Beavers went back to the financial position Treasurer Oestreich gave him. The figure in question was related to funds Councilmember Ware thought would stay until a final bill was received. This led to discussion around the need for the finance committee to review bills sooner, and the need to be cognizant of the budget. There was also discussion around attorney bills that had been held back, which were discussed at a previous meeting. Utility Clerk Beaston said as soon as an attorney bill comes in it is date stamped and put on the city's website. Mayor Beavers said it would have been nice to keep the financial committee informed on a real-time basis.

Councilmember Ware then talked about how, when the final bill is paid, there will be a zero balance, and that he had a misimpression there would be a balance going into next year. After further review, Councilmember Ware then moved to adopt Ordinance #649 relating to amending the 2013 budget. Councilmember Strom seconded the motion.

Clerk Stowe pointed out that no motion was made for a second reading. Councilmember Ware moved to amend his motion to accepting Ordinance #649 for a second reading and adoption. With a second by Strom the amended motion carried.

4. Ordinance #650, 2014 Budget, Second Reading and Action. This can be amended during the year as necessary. Figures were reviewed for the Water Comprehensive Plan and the general consensus was that these were realistic. Councilmember Strom moved to approve Ordinance #650 relating to the 2014 Budget, for a second reading and adoption. With a second by Councilmember Palmer the motion carried.

5. Snohomish County Interlocal for Minor Street Repairs. This is a different interlocal from the one which Director Light is working on. This relates to minor work, such as the assistance the County gave eight years ago when a road washed out. This interlocal has been reviewed and approved by AWC and the city attorney. Councilmember Ware moved to approve the interlocal with Snohomish County for minor street repairs as written. With a second by Councilmember Hodo, the motion carried.

6. Animal Transport Interlocal. This has been approved by AWC. There was discussion around the costs of having the County transport dogs vs. having Utility Clerk Beaston have to be away from the office in order to transport. Utility Clerk Beaston talked about the difficulty of transporting multiple animals, which the County is better set up to do. Resident Fonda Ells asked about the requirement to hold an animal for seventy two hours. Utility Clerk Beaston talked about how dogs get out of the city's enclosure, and of the risk of people removing dogs from those enclosures. She also said the County holds dogs for the same amount of time and she can request to have the dogs held longer. With no further discussion, Councilmember Hodo moved to approve the interlocal between Gold Bar and Snohomish County for the transportation of animals. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

7. Computers for Officials. Mayor-elect Loen talked about the need for the Council to separate personal use from professional use, and would like to purchase laptops for that issue. There was discussion around costs, batteries that can be replaced, and when and how the computers would be used in relation to meetings. After discussion, Councilmember Strom moved to approve the expenditure of \$3,000 out of fund 301 for six computers. With a second by Councilmember Palmer, the motion carried.

8. Collections and Judgment Service. There was discussion around the pros and cons of using a collection agency vs. using judgment services. Points included the costs related to each, current outstanding debt related to lawsuits that have not been paid to the city, and what funds collected fees would go in to. While no vote was taken, Mayor Beavers said he would pursue utilizing a judgment service and the Council was favorable to that by general consensus.

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware pointed out that packets included draft minutes from November 19<sup>th</sup> and December 3<sup>rd</sup>, but not the special meeting of December 10<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Beavers then displayed those minutes for review.

Councilmember Ware moved to amend the agenda to include the December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 minutes. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

Regarding the November 19<sup>th</sup> minutes, Councilmember Strom pointed out that on page three, it read 'City Clerk Oestreich', where it should read 'interim finance director'. Councilmember Strom then moved to approve the November 19<sup>th</sup> 2013 minutes as modified. With a second by Councilmember Palmer, the motion carried.

Councilmember Ware moved to approve the minutes of the December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2013 minutes as presented. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried.

After review, Councilmember Strom moved to approve the December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 minutes as written. With a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

### **VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Councilmember Ware moved to accept vouchers 20727 – 20749, with \$34382.04 for claims and \$2000.00 for payroll, as presented. Councilmember Strom seconded the motion. Discussion followed regarding bills from Kenyon Disend and the need was reiterated for the finance committee to review bills that are being held for payment. Resident Dorothy Croshaw said that in the past the finance committee also reviewed bank reconciliations and suggested the finance committee request that change. Councilmember Ware said that he did want this review and Mayor Beavers agreed. With no further discussion there was a call for a vote and the motion carried.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mayor Beavers said that the Ruckelshause Survey on public records was available on the city's website.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Resident Dorothy Croshaw has served with, and under, Mayor Beavers and felt he is the best mayor the city has had.

Utility Clerk Beaston presented Mayor Beavers with a certificate and card. Mayor Beavers thanked everyone, and said he was happy to have been able to help out.

Resident Donna Strom presented a slide show with photos of Mayor Beavers throughout his years of service.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Councilmember Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Strom, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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Linda L. Loen, Mayor

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Lisa Stowe, Clerk