

City of Gold Bar

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107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 16, 2021

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Clem called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Present were Councilmembers Lie, Martin, Phillips, Sears, and Yarbrough. Also present was Chief Hess, Director Norris, and Clerk Stowe.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Clem suggested that the Council consider creating committees that could involve one or two councilmembers and members of the public.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Hess talked about ATVs and the need to educate the public on age limits and legal use. Signs prohibiting the use of compression braking have been installed. He also talked about signs for Index-Galena Road, Reiter Road, and Kellogg Lake Road that would prohibit right-hand turns off the highway on Sundays and holidays. There was brief discussion around this.

Director Norris also mentioned the no-braking signs that have been installed and said the new public works building is progressing nicely.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Sears talked about a meeting he attended regarding traffic on Highway 2 and asked Chief Hess about recent interviews. Chief Hess said he had two applicants, the interviews went well, and that both applicants would be excellent when there is an opening.

Councilmember Lie asked about maintenance of storm drain filters. Director Norris told him there is a budget for this and two filters will be replaced this summer. Councilmember Lie then asked about the use of prison inmates. Director Norris has been talking to the Department of Corrections but there is no firm plan yet. Councilmember Lie then asked about two homes being built in town.

Councilmember Martin asked if the City had heard anything about receiving more funds for COVID-19 relief. Clerk Stowe said she had not.

Councilmember Yarbrough thanked Snohomish County Councilmember Sam Low for attending.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - none

CONTINUED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 21-02, Personnel Manual. This resolution clarifies holidays and double-overtime pay. Councilmember Phillips moved to accept Resolution No. 21-02 as presented and with a second by both Councilmembers Yarbrough and Sears, the motion carried.

Resolution No. 21-03, Council Procedures. This resolution amends Council procedures to add a section on paying a twenty-five-dollar (\$25.00) stipend and mileage when a Councilmember is asked by the Mayor or Council to attend a meeting representing the City. Councilmember Sears moved to accept Resolution No. 21-03 as presented and with a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Lie also attended meetings regarding Highway 2. Regarding committees, he would like to discuss emergency management. He is interested in attending Snohomish County Tomorrow meetings but is not interested in receiving a stipend to do so.

Councilmember Martin is anxious to be able to attend meetings again as she has missed them. She asked if the new COVID funds could be used for transportation improvements such as a new dump truck. Director Norris said the funds will probably have to be used directly for impacts from COVID, like the last round of funding was.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve the March 2nd, 2021 minutes as presented, and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve checks numbering 35099 - 35128, with \$19,626.20 for claims and \$1,200.00 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$20,826.20, and with a second by Councilmember Yarbrough, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Martin moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

William Clem, Mayor

Lisa Stowe, Clerk