

City of Gold Bar

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107 - 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 7, 2022

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

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

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Yarbrough talked about two openings for citizens on the finance committee. He attended a round table regarding the emergency plan for a failure of the Culmback dam. A link to that plan is on the City's website. He attended a meeting regarding economic development. The City was unable to receive a second AWC Loss Control grant. There will be a Recovery Roadshow at the fairgrounds June 9th.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Hess reviewed his report and talked about incidents, self-initiated contacts, and staffing.

Director Norris talked about progress by the ad hoc committee, updated the Council on the water system plan, and on the potential site for a skateboard park. There was brief discussion around this. He also thanked the Council for approving funding to replace the old building at Well #3 and showed a photo of the new structure. Councilmember Lie asked about cracks on the roof of the reservoir, which turned out to be marks from construction and not cracks.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Sears talked about his schedule for signing City paperwork.

Councilmember Lie asked about the Health District and lack of updates, unlicensed dirt bikes, and Snohomish County Tomorrow raising fees. Chief Hess asked him to call 911 when he sees the unlicensed vehicles. Clerk Stowe said she has had no response from the Health District.

Councilmember Russell talked about his visit to the Cadman site.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - none

PUBLIC HEARING

Clerk Stowe opened the public hearing at 7:24 pm and reviewed the requirements for the hearing. No Councilmember had any ex parte contacts, breaches of appearance of fairness, or any conflict of interest that would require them to be recused from the hearing.

The hearing began with a presentation by Chase Killebrew and Caitlin Hepworth with Blueline, who are working on the City's Housing Needs Assessment. They gave background information, reviewed housing needs, the next steps needed to solve housing gaps, and took questions.

Clerk Stowe introduced Ordinance No. 757 amending zoning and licensing codes for an introduction and first reading and said it ties into the information presented by Blueline. Director Norris said the ordinance includes adjustments forwarded from the Ad Hoc committee including licensing and regulation around short-term rentals. After discussion, Councilmember Sears moved to accept Ordinance No. 757 for an introduction and first reading and with a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

With no request to continue the hearing, Clerk Stowe asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Sears moved to adjourn the public hearing and with a second by Councilmember Phillips, the motion carried. The hearing was adjourned and the regular Council meeting returned to at 7:56 pm.

CONTINUED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Yarbrough thanked the Ad Hoc committee for their time and effort.

Councilmember Sears thanked Mr. Killebrew and Ms. Hepworth for their presentation, and the Ad Hoc committee for their work. He also wished everyone a happy Gay Pride Month.

Councilmember Russell questioned whether something could be said anymore but it was unclear what he was referring to and there were no comments. He also thanked the Ad Hoc committee.

Councilmember Lie thanked Mayor Yarbrough for attending the economic development meetings and would like the Council to get updates.

Councilmember Martin is hoping to attend the Recovery Roadshow meeting.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Councilmember Sears to approve the May 17th, 2022 minutes as presented and with a second by Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve checks numbering 36076 – 36106 with \$112,141.61 for claims and \$41,311.59 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$153,453.20 and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Phillips moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.


Steve Yarbrough, Mayor


Lisa Stowe, Clerk