

City of Gold Bar

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107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 4, 2022

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Yarbrough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in a hybrid format, by Zoom and in person. Present were Councilmembers Lie, Martin, Russell, and Sears. Also present was Public Works Director Norris, Office Manager Beaston, and Chief Hess.

Councilmember Lie made a motion to excuse Councilmember Philips, with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

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 Yarbrough said he had attended a FEMA class on evacuation. Since then, he has spoken with Chief Andrews regarding doing an evacuation drill. Councilmember Martin inquired if the drill would be open to the public. Mayor Yarbrough stated that it would. Brief discussion ensued.

Mayor Yarbrough asked the Council if they wished to have an entrance conference with the State Auditors for the 2021 audit, or if they wished to waive that. After discussion, Councilmember Sears moved to waive the entrance conference, and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Hess reviewed his report, talking about recent calls, illegal burns, and rescheduling the community crime prevention meeting for the public. Chief Hess introduced Deputy Grassest who is new to the Gold Bar Region. Chief Hess also briefly discussed the upcoming Trunk or Treat event. Councilmember Martin thanked Chief Hess regarding helping with the illegal burning issues.

Director Norris stated that the crew is working throughout the evenings this week on flushing hydrants, something that is now being done twice a year making the flushing process quicker. He also briefly talked about the new dump truck and the ability to get some projects done with it.

Office Manager Beaston had no report.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Lie apologized for the bad connection at the last meeting and he talked briefly about the difficulties his neighbors were having in getting information on the fire due to not having social media and/or computers. Neighbors were contacting him to get the latest information. There was a brief discussion on the ability to get

information out to citizens in an emergency. Reverse 911 and Smart911 were briefly discussed. Councilmember Lie also had questions on the Health Department Representative.

Councilmember Martin again thanked Chief Hess regarding helping enforce illegal burning.

Councilmember Russell echoed the thanks to Chief Hess regarding illegal burning and apologized for missing the last meeting. He also talked about the four officers that he had met and how professional they were.

Councilmember Sears made a motion to excuse Councilmember Lie and Councilmember Russell from the last meeting with a second from Councilmember Martin, the motion carried.

Councilmember Martin reminded people that the burn ban is still in effect.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

A woman named Andrea (no last name given) stated that she and her family had just moved from California and would like to see a park that is more for kids between two to five years of age.

CONTINUED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Lie will be attending the Snohomish County Tomorrow meeting next week.

Councilmember Martin said she would bring in candy for the Trunk or Treat event.

MINUTES APPROVAL

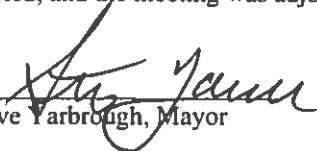
Councilmember Martin to approve the September 20th, 2022, minutes as presented and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve checks numbering 36318 – 36353 with \$9,044.83 for claims and \$45,914.94 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$54,959.77 and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Sears moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Councilmember Russell the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.


Steve Yarbrough, Mayor


Denise Beaston, Office Manager