

City of Gold Bar

EST. 1910



107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 20th, 2024

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Yarbrough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in hybrid format. Present in person were Councilmembers Lie and Martin. Staff members present in person were Chief Whalen, Officer Manager Beaston and Public Works Director Rich Norris. Councilmember Sears and Russell attended via Zoom, with Councilmember Phillips joining via Zoom eighteen minutes into the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Sears moved to approve the agenda as written with Councilmember Russell seconding the motion. The motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Yarbrough talked about mobile opioid treatment, the Tree Board, rule making on the Shoreline Master Plan, the upcoming audit, Gold Dust Days and National Night Out, that he attended the Council Meeting in Skykomish, the opening ceremony of the Evergreen State Fair, the County land conservation strategy, and where the Trunk or Treat will be held.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Whalen gave a brief update on calls for the month of July, the types of calls, and traffic enforcement. Chief Whalen thanked the National Night Out Participants. Chief Whalen briefly mentioned up and coming traffic enforcement details.

Councilmember Martin inquired if Highway 20 was open but Chief Whalen was unsure. Councilmember Martin briefly talked about traffic and how bad it was.

Public Works Director Norris briefly talked about Fatbeam, who has been doing the boring and trenching between Sultan and Gold Bar for fiber, that most of the work on 9th and Linda had been completed, the graffiti trailer the city inherited, moving the electrical cabinet from the top of the tank to the ground, the water main break on 1st Avenue West, political signs, and the land conservation meetings the County is going to have.

Councilmember Lie inquired about the Haney Property and if he had completed the list. Director Norris stated yes.

Mayor Yarbrough wanted to discuss Gunn Road and stated there was a suggestion in putting in a gate at the east end just past the two properties that are there. Brief discussion ensued.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Sears thanked staff for all the work they are doing.

Councilmember Lie gave his ATV report for the month, and talked about Snohomish County Tomorrow meetings, growth that has taken place in Sultan, a Public Safety Control Tax of .2% that will be on Novembers ballot, and volunteering he does along with others.

Councilmember Martin thanked the Chief for National Night Out and briefly talked about the traffic and rivers.

Councilmember Russell thanked Director Norris and staff for the quick response on fixing the watermain, National Night Out, and the lack of views of Wallace Falls at the new development.

Councilmember Phillips apologized for being late.

Mayor Yarbrough mentioned a phone call he had from an upset driver about traffic congestion.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Joe Beavers asked for an update of sidewalk. Director Norris stated he has not heard anything.

CONTINUED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 24-06 Small Works Roster. Public Works Director Norris explained the resolution. Councilmember Lie moved to approve Resolution 24-06, and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

Resolution 24-07 Amending Personnel Manual, Public Works Director Norris explained that the resolution. Councilmember Lie inquired about Commercial Drivers Licenses (CDLs) and Director Norris stated that nothing the city currently has requires one. Councilmember Lie moved to approve Resolution 24-06, and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Lie was impressed with the amount of law enforcement presence at National Night Out, and that even the post office was represented.

Councilmember Russell agreed with Councilmember Lie on the National Night Out event.

MINUTES APPROVAL

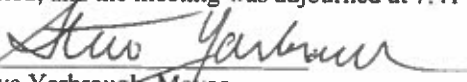
Councilmember Sears moved to approve the July 16th, 2024, minutes as presented and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve checks from the beginning of August numbering 37766 through 377807 with \$65,976.90 for claims and \$51,452.88 for payroll and taxes, for a grand total of \$117,429.78 and checks numbering 37808 through 37834 with \$15,470.34 for claims and \$1,200 for payroll, for a grand total of \$16,670.34 and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmembers Russell moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.


Steve Yarbrough, Mayor


Denise Beaston, Office Manager