

City of Gold Bar

EST. 1910



107 - 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 15, 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, Martin and Russell. Staff members present in person were Chief Whalen, Public Works Director Norris, and Office Manager Beaston. Councilmembers Phillips attended via Zoom. Councilmember Sears was absent and excused. Clerk Stowe was on vacation.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Yarbrough stated that he had attended a meeting with the Department of Emergency Management out on the Cannery Levee. He is still currently working on the interlocal for the mobile Opioid trailer.

The mayor then talked about the audit exit conference, and asked whether the council would prefer to have it via Zoom during the regularly scheduled meeting or in person. All council members agreed with having it held via Zoom during the council meeting.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Whalen talked about the staff movement, in particular Deputy Gallina and that he had nominated Deputy Gallina for Deputy of the year based on his performance and the kind words from council. Chief Whalen stated that Deputy Wunningham was settling in nicely and had already recovered a stolen dirt bike. Chief Whalen gave a brief update on Deputy Grasseth and that he has been cleared to come back to work after being off due to a collision he had been in.

Director Norris talked about the crew finishing up flushing the water system and how helpful the new water main on Linda Avenue was. Director Norris stated that Clerk Stowe and he had been working on the budget and should have it ready by the next meeting.

Director Norris finished by stating that RFQ's for on-call Engineering and Planning Consultants were posted and the city would be taking applications until December 13th.

Councilmember Lie inquired if Rico's had completed all the requirements. Director Norris stated that Rico's had completed all tasks.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Lie updated the Council on the most recent Snohomish County Tomorrow meeting and the topic coming up would be the Snohomish County Road safety plan. Councilmember Lie briefly talked about seeing an ATV headed west on SR2.

Councilmember Martin stated that the Fire Department had sent a command team to North Carolina and that Chief Hess would be speaking at the VOA in Sultan at the 12:30pm meeting and the following week will be the Sheriff.

Councilmember Russell briefly talked about being out of town.

Councilmember Phillips apologized for not being at the last meeting, because of a pet emergency. She hoped to be excused from the meeting, Mayor Yarbrough stated that she had already been excused from the meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – None

CONTINUED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Snohomish County Sheriff Presentation. Snohomish County Sheriff Susanna Johnson was introduced and spoke about upcoming changes within the department, the cost of service and impacts on budgets, what they anticipate for the future, and statistics within the county. There was a brief discussion from council members, regarding automatic license plate readers.

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Lie hoped that citizens would have questions for the Sheriff and briefly talked about Social Media; in particular the Snohomish County Scanner which he thinks is very informative.

MINUTES APPROVAL

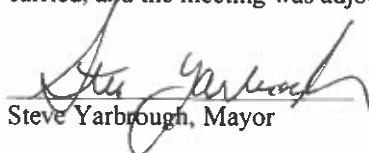
Councilmember Martin moved to approve the October 1st, 2024, minutes as presented and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve checks numbering 37936 through 37965 with \$105,718.86 for claims and \$2,501.81 for payroll and taxes, for a grand total of \$108,220.67 and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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


Steve Yarbrough, Mayor

Denise Beaston, Office Manager

