

**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND
CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
June 28, 2012**

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

Mayor Olness called the special meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Goodwin (late), May, Benson and Taylor.

ABSENT: None

Staff present were: Mayene Miller, Finance Director; Greg Goral, Police Commander; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief; Chris Bacha, City Attorney and Brenda L. Martinez, Assistant City Admin/City Clerk.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Deady and **seconded** by Councilmember May to add public comment at the beginning and end of the agenda. Motion **passed** (4-0).

Councilmember Goodwin entered the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cindy Wheeler, Black Diamond commented on Marine Unit vessel purchase and having no need for this vessel; concerns on how City Administrator position is being documented; waiting for answer on the weir.

Ginger Passarelli, Black Diamond commented in favor of the Marine Unit vessel purchase and hiring a City Administrator.

Carol Lynn Harp, Black Diamond proposed questions from Save Black Diamond on the Interim City Administrator position.

Erika Morgan, Black Diamond reflected on impulse buying.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 12-976, amending the 2012 Budget Ordinance No. 11-972 and Ordinance No. 12-975 to reflect changes in revenues and expenditures

Finance Director Miller reported today is to present the associated budget change in regards to the Prothman contract for placing an Interim City Administrator with the City. She noted the Finance Committee reviewed this earlier today and had great suggestions that would clarify exactly how the funding in the budget is taking place.

Councilmember Goodwin made a couple of points:

- 1) Do we need a City Administrator? Yes.
- 2) Has YarrowBay guaranteed to pay for this position through the end of the year? Yes.
- 3) Is it going to cost the City the 25%? No, because of the establishment of the MDRT you have a position that is no longer on the city funding and the 25% of that position is now being used for the Interim City Administrator position, there is a no net cost to the City. He noted funding is in place and recommends moving forward to authorize this budget change.

Councilmember Deady stated the City needs a City Administrator, and is looking forward to someone coming in and giving us a fresh perspective.

Councilmember Taylor agreed with Councilmember Goodwin on the funding and it makes sense to him. He also agrees we need a City Administrator with their expertise and credentials. Pointed out this is not creating a new position and is not adding staff positions to the organization tree as this has been an unfilled position and supports getting one on board.

Councilmember Benson agreed with the need for a City Administrator, but was hopeful we would have a more substantial agreement with YarrowBay, but it is fine.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Goodwin and **seconded** by Councilmember Taylor to adopt Ordinance No. 12-976, amending the 2012 Budget Ordinance No. 11-972 and Ordinance 12-975 to reflect changes in revenues and expenditures. Motion **passed** (4-1, May).

Resolution No. 12-817, authorizing the Police Department to purchase a Marine Vessel for Police and Fire Services

Police Chief Kiblinger reported back in 2010 is the first time the department received this grant and was awarded \$14,000. Every year since that time the grant money has increased due to boat inspections. This year we were awarded \$21,000. From October to May there is no vessel in the water and with the bad weather we have not utilized as much funds as we thought. Grant funds have to be used by June 30. She discussed looking into any other equipment needs. She noted speaking with the Public Safety Committee and Fire last week and they both are on board with this purchase.

Councilmember Taylor discussed the Public Safety did look at this and Fire being very supportive of this purchase and the response times was an issue and the Committee is supporting and recommending approval of this purchase.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Taylor to adopt Resolution No. 12-817, authorizing the Police Department to purchase a Marine Vessel for Police and Fire Services. Motion **died** due to lack of second.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Goodwin and **seconded** by Councilmember Taylor to adopt Resolution No. 12-817, authorizing the Police Department to purchase a

Marine Vessel for Police and Fire Services not to exceed \$13,000, with the provision the Police Department come back with an evaluation of the potential benefits of this replacing the current boat. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mario Sorci, Black Diamond thanked Council on authorizing the city Administrator position; believes the motion on the boat purchase was crazy.

Cindy Wheeler, Black Diamond stated she thought the motion regarding the boat purchase was crazy too; commented on the initiative and referendum process and the costs associated with putting something on the ballot.

Ginger Passarelli, Black Diamond commented on being on Search and Rescues and the need for being prepared.

Bob Edelman, Black Diamond commented on not hearing a response time from the Police Department with a Zodiac and his experience with a rescue on the Lake.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:


Mayor Olness announced an Executive Session to discuss a complaint pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(f). No action was anticipated to follow the Executive Session, which was expected to last approximately 10 minutes. The Executive Session will start at 5:15 p.m. to allow folks sufficient time to exit the room.

The special meeting was called back to order at 5:23 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Taylor and **seconded** by Councilmember Deady to adjourn the meeting. Motion **passed** (5-0).

ATTEST:



Rebecca Olness, Mayor



Rachel Pitzel, Deputy City Clerk