

**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
December 1, 2014**

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

Mayor Pro- Tem Benson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Morgan, Edelman, Benson and Taylor.

ABSENT: None.

Staff present: Mayene Miller, Finance Director; Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

Councilmember Deady reminded Council and Citizens that all Special meetings and Regular meetings are for the Council to conduct business and not for answering questions. She noted the City does a Town Hall meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each month and that is the appropriate format for a back and forth discussion. Questions asked during business meetings will be answered at a later date.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mario Sorci, Black Diamond – commented on the budget and would like to know if the Covington Water District tax has been included in the budget.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2015 Final Budget

Mayor Pro-Tem Benson opened the public hearing at 7:04:09 p.m.

Finance Director Miller reported that tonight is the final hearing on the 2015 budget. She noted previous public hearings and workstudies that Council held on the proposed budget.

Mayor Pro-Tem Benson closed the public hearing at 7:05:26 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Benson read a statement regarding the appointment of a new Mayor.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Deady and **seconded** by Councilmember Taylor to appoint Carol Benson to the position of Mayor effective immediately, due to the recent vacancy of Mayor Gordon. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

Mayor Benson noted that items number 3 and 5 have been pulled from the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 14-1038, adopting the Budget for Calendar Year 2015

Finance Director Miller reported the only changes to the proposed budget were the addition Council approved to add the \$500 expenditure to go in support of Public Health.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Taylor to adopt Ordinance No. 14-1038, adopting the Budget for Calendar Year 2015 with the added language to a new section. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

Resolution No. 14-993, authorizing the Mayor to execute an Addendum to the agreement for Police Service for Valley Communication for 2015

Chief Kiblinger reported this is a yearly addendum to the contract with Valley Communications for Dispatch Services. There is an increase from \$37.38 per call to \$40.65 per call; a \$3.17 increase per call.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Taylor and **seconded** by Councilmember Dedy to adopt Resolution No. 14-993, authorizing the Mayor to execute an Addendum to the agreement for Police Service for Valley Communication for 2015. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Dave Amber, Black Diamond – commented on the funding for the Community Center and asked that the Council help out the Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Dedy to adjourn the Special Council meeting. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0). The meeting ended at 7:18:42 p.m.

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor



Rachel Pitzel, Deputy City Clerk