

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 2, 2014

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Gordon called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and lead us all in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: None

Staff present were: Andrew Williamson, Executive Director of Economic Development and Engineering Services, Stacey Welsh, Community Development Director; Aaron Nix, Natural Resources/Parks Director; Melanie Dane, Municipal Court Judge; Mayene Miller, Finance Director; Greg Smith, Fire Chief; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief; Chris Bacha, City Attorney and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk.

APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, ANNOUONCEMENTS:

Oath of Offices

Mayor Gordon called a 10 minute recess at 7:07 p.m.

Mayor Gordon called the meeting back to order at 7:23 p.m.

Mayor Gordon announced that he would like to entertain two Resolutions, No. 14-918 and No. 14-919 under new business, regarding his appointment of Christy Todd as the City Administrator and authorizing her employment agreement. He proposed these two items to be numbered 2 and 3 and that existing items become 4 and 5 on the agenda. In addition, he added that items number 4, 5 and 6 under the consent agenda have been pulled as more time is needed to review.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Deady to continue with Carol Benson remaining as Mayor Pro-Tem for 2014. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Pat Pepper, Black Diamond – congratulated all Councilmembers and supports Dave Gordon and his decisions at this time.

Judith Carrier, Black Diamond – congratulated Mayor Gordon and discussed the Mayor’s appointment of a new City Administrator and her support.

Rick Stocks, Black Diamond – discussed about this being an important time in the City and applauds the Mayor’s appointment of a new City Administrator.

Jay Mackelroy, Green Valley Road – commented on the past election and voters wanting to reform City Hall and his support of Christy Todd as City Administrator.

Robbin Taylor, Black Diamond – discussed the swiftness of appointing a new City Administrator.

Mike Irrgang, Black Diamond – congratulated the Mayor and new City Councilmembers and the Mayor’s decisive action on forming a new city administration and urged the Mayor to take a closer look into Phase 1A of the development.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None
UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Taylor and **seconded** by Councilmember Edelman to modify agenda regarding the Regional Stormwater Facility proposed at the Reserve at Woodland. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0). Would like to strike Section 1 of the proposed Resolution and the rest would remain as presented.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Taylor and **seconded** by Councilmember Deady to adopt Resolution No. 14-920, expressing the understanding and belief of the City Council regarding the Regional Stormwater Facility proposed in the Draft Development Agreement between BD Village Partners, LPBD Village Partners, LP and King County.

Councilmember Benson discussed support of the item as they would like to have this in to the County soon.

Vote: Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

Resolution No. 14-918, confirming the Mayor’s appointment of Christy Todd as City Administrator

Councilmember Edelman announced wanting an interview process and to schedule a workstudy on this.

Councilmember Deady expressed the same.

Councilmember Benson wants a process with Council involvement.

Councilmember Taylor agreed with the other Councilmembers on needing a process and is not prepared to confirm at this time.

Councilmember Morgan discussed hearing the business folks tonight and the need to have a full-time City Administrator and the Mayor's need to have his own administration.

Mayor Gordon deferred to the City Attorney and asked if this is ok for an Executive Session.

City Attorney Bacha replied yes, Council could go into Executive Session to discuss her qualifications.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Benson to postpone until the next regular Council meeting and would like to see the resume and any information pertinent to this appointment. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

Council pulled the second item Resolution No. 14-919 from the agenda.

Resolution No. 14-913, authorizing the Mayor to execute Addendum No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Auburn and the City of Black Diamond for IT Services

Mr. Ron Teideman, Auburn IT discussed that the support with the Police Department has been going well and noted by partnering together a lot can be accomplished.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Deady and **seconded** by Councilmember Edelman to adopt Resolution No. 14-913, authorizing the Mayor to execute Addendum No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Auburn and the City of Black Diamond for IT Services. Motion **passed** voting in favor (4-1, Morgan abstained).

Resolution No. 14-914, authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with O'Brien, Barton & Hopkins, PLLP for Public Defense Services

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Benson to adopt Resolution No. 14-914, authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with O'Brien, Barton & Hopkins, PLLP for Public Defense Services. Motion **passed** voting in favor (4-1, Morgan abstained).

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gordon discussed moving the next Town Hall meeting scheduled at the Community Center and would like to as a cost savings change the venue to the Council Chambers.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Benson and **seconded** by Councilmember Taylor to move the Town Hall meeting to Council Chambers for the next meeting. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Taylor reported on the Fire Ad Hoc committee. They are suggesting the first meeting in February to have a workstudy to share with Council what the Committee has come up with thus far. February 6th will be a workstudy.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Dave Amber, Black Diamond –congratulated the Mayor and said good luck on running the City.

Peter Rimbos, Maple Valley – congratulated the six electeds; impressed with the professionalism during tonight’s meeting; discussed the Woodland Reserves public testimony given to the King County Council.

Mike Irrgang, Black Diamond – commented on the retention pond and thanked Councilmember Edelman for reading his testimony into the record at King County.

Christy Todd, Maple Valley – congratulated Council and gave Council a preview of her background and noted being honored to be asked to be the City Administrator.

Judith Carrier, Auburn – complimented Council on learning about the details before making decisions and would like Council to take up the issue of the new City Administrator as quickly as they can; discussed the King County meeting regarding the Reserve at Woodlands.

Vern Gibson, Black Diamond – asked Council if they would like copies of the emails sent to King County regarding the Reserve at Woodland.

Bob Edelman, Black Diamond – commented on the upcoming hearing regarding the Reserve at Woodlands on January 13th in King County Chambers at 9 a.m. and encouraged those who can attend to do so.

Brian Weber, Black Diamond – congratulated the new mayor and Councilmembers and commented understanding that due diligence needs to be done regarding the new City Administrator and urged Council to do this in a timely manner. Thanked Council for going to King County and representing their constituents.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Benson and **seconded** by Councilmember Edelman to adopt the Consent Agenda with the removal of 4, 5, and 6. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

Claim Checks – January 2, 2014, No. 40342 through 40404 in the amount of \$81,540.64

Payroll Checks – November, 2013, No. 18195 through No. 18213 and ACH Pay in the amount of \$279,444.13

Minutes – Council Meeting of December 5, 2013 and Workstudy Notes of December 5, 2013, Special Council Meeting of December 12, 2013.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Gordon announced an Executive Session at 8:26:50 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). No action was anticipated to follow the Executive Session, which was expected to last approximately 10 minutes.

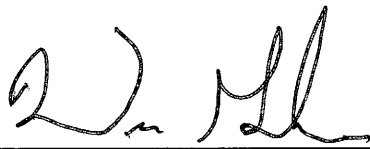
A 10 minute extension was announced.

The regular meeting was called back to order at 8:44:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Benson and **seconded** by Councilmember Edelman to adjourn the meeting. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

ATTEST:



Dave Gordon, Mayor



Rachel Pitzel, Deputy City Clerk