

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

June 5, 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: Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director, Andrew Williamson, Economic Development Director; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief; Greg Smith, Fire Chief; Carol A. Morris, City Attorney and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

Mayor Gordon announced that Item No. 2 has been pulled from tonight's agenda.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Benson to move Items No. 3 through 8 to the Consent Agenda. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Benson to move the swearing in to first on the agenda. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

SWEARING IN OF RESERVE OFFICERS:

Chief Kiblinger administered the Oath of Offices to the three new Reserve Police Officers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chris Clemmons, Black Diamond – asked Council about the dunk tank booth at Miners Day, they will be working this event and extended a welcome to Council and the Mayor to sit in a session of the dunk tank.

Peter Rimbos, Citizens Technical Team – commented on the contracts for MDRT that are on the agenda for adoption tonight and requests Council to conduct reviews of the current consultants work to see if any should be replaced.

Mark Taeschner, Black Diamond – commented he was concerned as a conservative and Republican that we are bringing in an attitude that marijuana is ok, even if it is called

medicine. Against promoting any kind of marijuana sales in this town even if the law says it's okay.

PRESENTATIONS:

Climate Change Presentation – Matt Kuharic, King County and Nicole Sanders, City of Snoqualmie

Discussed what is going on with Cities regarding climate impacts and actions being taken by King County Cities. Discussed the following:

Climate Impacts –

- What is happening on a global scale?
- What related impacts are happening in our region?
- What is the risk for our region in the future?
- Footprint of greenhouse gases in King County.
- US Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement Signatories in King County.
- Cost to join at this time for Cities fewer than 5,000 is \$500; however they are considering lowering that for small cities.

Climate Change Counter View Presentation – Bob Edelman

Discussed the City is ill advised that we are facing catastrophic climate change due to the results of human activity. He discussed the faulty claims that have been made in studies. Actual surveys of scientists show that there is no consensus on this subject. He went over the statistics from these surveys. He discussed specific claims by state and local officials. Discussed the false statement of the cascade snow pack disappearing; commented his remarks have been brief because of time constraints and he may not have convinced anyone but hopes that they all will have a healthy skepticism of assertions that we must take drastic action to forestall climate catastrophe caused by mankind.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Mayor Gordon opened the public hearing at 7:57:26 p.m.

Public Works Director Boettcher reported that this is an annual exercise of looking into future transportation needs and also taking off projects that have been completed. This is an opportunity to get comments from the public on the proposed Six Year TIP. He discussed past projects that have been funded by mainly grants.

George McPherson, Black Diamond – commented he had a question on the earlier presentation.

Mayor Gordon noted this needs to be addressed during the second public comments period later on the agenda.

Peter Rimpos, Maple Valley – stated he was speaking on behalf of the Citizens Technical Team and reviewed the highlights of the written comments that were submitted and are

incorporated into the minutes and made part of the record. Asked Council to thoroughly review these comments prior to deliberation and moving forward with the TIP as it sits currently.

Mayor Gordon closed the public hearing at 8:02:10 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 14-957, authorizing the Mayor and one Finance Committee member to enter into contracts for goods and services

City Attorney Morris reported Council asked her to bring forward a resolution that would allow the Mayor and one Finance committee member to enter into contracts for goods and services where the contract amount is \$7,500 or less and there is money to cover the purchase in the City's budget, or up to \$15,000 where the purchase is for goods or services specifically included as a line item in the City's budget. She also noted that currently the Mayor has the sole authority as stated in Resolution No. 08-559.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Taylor and **seconded** by Councilmember Benson to adopt Resolution No. 14-957, authorizing the Mayor and one member of the Finance committee to enter into contracts for the purchase of goods and services where the contract amount is \$7,500 or less and there is money to cover the purchase in the City's budget, or up to \$15,000 where the purchase is for goods or services specifically included as a line item in the City's budget. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gordon reported he attended the SCA dinner, Tri-City meeting and will be recruiting the Enumclaw City Council to join this event next year; Public Works is busy mowing the shoulders and also investigating water running into the street on 4th and Baker.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Benson: reported on issues discussed at the SCATBd meeting and the money Cities put into Metro; attended Chamber luncheon and Tri-City meeting.

Councilmember Edelman: needs guidance on the summary she sent out in regards to the PIC meeting; attended Reserve Officers graduation; SCA dinner, PCS meeting and Tri-City meeting.

Councilmember Deady: reported she attended the SCA dinner, Tri-City meeting; and needs a response from everyone for her GMPC meeting.

Councilmember Morgan: reported she attended the Tri-City meeting; meeting with citizens regularly M-W and Sundays; attended the PCS meeting.

Councilmember Taylor: reported there is a Public Safety meeting tomorrow; recent meeting of Ad Hoc meeting on fire services where they participated in a SWAT exercise; he commented that some things are starting to happen with the Council Chamber remodel and more changes to come; several projects that are forthcoming are in studies or research; discussed repainting of the water tank or replacement and taking a second look at this; attended the Tri-City meeting.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

George McPherson, Black Diamond – commented that he came tonight to hear comments on global warming and wondered about the background of the second speaker tonight as the other two speakers gave their background and thanked Councilmember Deady for having the group come and address Council. Councilmember Edelman addressed her husband's credentials.

Peter Rimbo, Maple Valley – clarified what Bob Edelman said and discussed climate change.

Mira Hoke, Black Diamond – announced the Black Diamond Farmers Market opens tomorrow from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and named a few vendors that will be there.

Robbin Taylor, Black Diamond – read an excerpt from a global warming book and proceeded to discuss the book's view on global warming.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

AB14-054 – Resolution Adopting Contract for MDRT Surveyor Consultant Parametrix

AB14-055 – Resolution Adopting Contract for MDRT Traffic Engineer Consultant Parametrix

AB14-056 – Resolution Adopting Contract for MDRT Geotechnical Consultant SubTerra

AB14-057 – Resolution Adopting Contract for MDRT Environmental Consultant Perceet

AB14-058 – Resolution Adopting Contract for MDRT Fiscal Analysis Consultant Henderson, Young & Company

AB14-059 – Resolution Adopting Contract for MDRT Civil Engineer RH2

Claim Checks – June 5, 2014, No. 40949 through No. 41006 in the amount of \$86,783.20

Minutes – Council Minutes of May 15, 2014

EXECUTIVE SESSION:


Mayor Gordon announced an Executive Session at 9:02:25 p.m. to discuss with legal counsel potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) with no action to follow the Executive Session, which was expected to last approximately 10 minutes.

The regular meeting was called back to order at 9:13:19 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ATTEST:



Dave Gordon, Mayor



Rachel Pitzel, Deputy City Clerk