

**BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Council Meeting of January 3, 2019**  
Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

**CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Deady, Oglesbee, Edelman, Stout, and Wisnoski.

**ABSENT:** None

Staff present: David Linehan, City Attorney, and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk.

**AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:**

Councilmember Deady **moved** to accept tonight's agenda; **second** Councilmember Edelman. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

**1) AB19-001 –Council Selection of Mayor Pro-Tempore**

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to elect Councilmember Deady as Mayor Pro-Tempore; **second** Councilmember Edelman. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**2) AB19-002 –Confirming the Mayor's Appointments to the Council Standing Committees**

Mayor Benson reported on this item.

Councilmember Edelman **moved** to confirm the Mayor's appointments to the 2019 Council Standing Committees; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**3) AB19-003 – Resolution No. 19- 1288 Confirming the Mayor's Reappointment of Richard LaConte to Planning Commission Position #1**

There was Council discussion.

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to postpone and do an advertisement for the position and come back next month to see if anyone applies; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** 3-2 (Edelman, Stout).

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilmember Edelman **moved** to adopt the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 4) **Claim Checks** – December 20, 2018 – Check No. 46976 through 47032 and EFTs in the amount of \$303,472.04
- 5) **Claim Checks** – January 3, 2019 – Check No. 47033 through 47077 in the amount of \$78,821.56
- 6) **Minutes** –Special Meeting of December 3, 2018 and Council Meeting of December 6, 2018

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Brock Deady, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Pam McCain, Chair of Black Diamond Planning Commission spoke to Council.

Gary Davis, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 7) **AB19-004** – Resolution No. 19-1289 Authorizing Agreement with Gunderson Law Offices PLLC for Providing Prosecution Services to the City

Mayor Benson reported to Council on this agenda item.

Councilmember Wisnoski **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 19-1289 authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Gunderson Law Office PLLC for prosecuting attorney services; **second** Councilmember Edelman. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire** – Jim Ferrell, Fire Commissioner updated Council on the results from the Santa Engine and Food Drive and noted it being a huge success.

Chief Smith recapped the types of calls received for Black Diamond in 2018. He commented that he is working with Ten Trails on the Fire Department attending upcoming events there. He discussed the graduation of the career firefighter and shared that two replacement career firefighters will be attending the academy in February. He noted that effective January 1, 2019 Mountain View, Eastside Fire, and the City of Snoqualmie joined

the South King County Training Consortium and Federal Way will be joining mid-year. Chief Barlow will be meeting with Finance Director Miller regarding the bid and purchase process for the fire apparatus.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Benson reported attending the SEAL TC meeting.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilmember Deady reported participating in the Santa Engine and noted it being a lot of fun. She thanked everyone for all the donations and appreciated everyone helping out. She discussed the need to have monies set a side for someone to schedule and open and close the gym and should this come to a vote she would recuse herself from the vote; she believes this should be a paid position.

Councilmember Oglesbee noted it being a quiet December.

Councilmember Edelman reported participating in the Santa Engine and shared how fun it was and it being nice to hear the compliments about our Fire Department. She thanked the Fire Department and noted what an awesome group of people they have. She attended Hometown Christmas, PIC meeting, SEAL TC meeting and a Bellevue Transportation meeting.

Councilmember Stout reported attending the Finance Committee meeting and commented on appreciating Council and staff for getting the budget passed early. She thanked Brock Deady for all he does for keeping the gym going and noted the Council may need to look at a park department and Council needs to have discussions on this soon. She touched briefly on transportation and the DOT wanting to get people out of their cars. However, she is hearing from residents that parking is an issue at the train stations and these issues need to be at the top of our list; we need to think how we are going to be proactive for our citizens to get them to and from work as transportation needs to be available.

Councilmember Wisnoski continued speaking about traffic and shared the viaduct will be closing on January 11<sup>th</sup> and they are asking companies to let people work from home. He noted his employer is working on employees working from home more often. He talked about bus service not being convenient here in Black Diamond. He thanked everyone who reached out to him on his son and noted his son is doing great. He thanked the Fire Department for being at the polar bear plunge and extended an invitation to everyone to join him next year as this is a great community event, and he plans on supporting it for years to come. He wished everyone a happy new year and thanked staff for all they've done in the past year and all the best for 2019.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:** City Attorney Linehan shared that a new attorney (Andrew Tsoming) has been hired at Kenyon Disend.



**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

James Stout, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Gary Davis, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None


**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Wisnoski. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

The meeting ended at 7:53 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Carol Benson, Mayor

  
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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk