

**BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Council Meeting of June 18, 2020**  
**Virtual Meeting Via Zoom**

**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, Wisnoski, Stout, de Leon, Nelson, and Paige. (Councilmember Paige alerted the Clerk at 7:19 p.m. that he joined the meeting on time by phone and joined by the Zoom link at 7:19 p.m.)

**ABSENT:** None

Staff present: Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director; David Linehan, City Attorney; Barb Kincaid, Community Development Director; Kevin Esping, Facilities Coordinator; Scott Hanis, Capital Project/Program Manager, and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR.

**AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:**

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt the agenda; **second** Councilmember de Leon. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0).

**APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember Oglesbee. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 1) **Claim Checks** – June 4, 2020 Check No. 48869 through 48908 and EFTs in the amount of \$307,203.66
- 2) **Payroll** – May 31, 2020 – Check No. 19968 through 19977 and ACHs in the amount of \$399,513.21
- 3) **Minutes** – Council Meeting of June 4, 2020

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Written comments received are included with the minutes for this meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

4) **AB20-034** – Resolution Regarding Adoption of the 2021-2026 Six Year Transportation Program

Mayor Benson opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke on her written comments she submitted. Those comments are included with the minutes.

Deanna Kitzke, Black Diamond spoke on her written comments she submitted. Those comments are included with the minutes.

Mayor Benson asked if anyone else who did not sign up wished to speak. No additional public asked to speak.

Mayor Benson closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor Benson asked the Council if they had any problems with the protocols that she prepared for this hearing. No Councilmember had an issue with them.

Public Works Director Boettcher reported on this item and responded to the public comments that were received and recommended amending the plan to change the roundabout to one lane.

City Clerk Martinez announced she received a message from Councilmember Paige that he joined the meeting on time by phone, and then joined by the Zoom link at 7:19 p.m.

City Attorney Linehan spoke on the misconceptions between the TIP and the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 20-1359, approving the 2021-2026 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program with the changes to the roundabout to one lane instead of two lanes; **second** Councilmember Nelson.

There was Council discussion.

**Vote:** Motion passed with all voting in favor (7-0).

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

5) **AB20-035** – Resolution Authorizing Mayor to Execute Amendment #2 to Professional Services Agreement with RH2 Engineering for the Black Diamond Springs Rehabilitation Project

Public Works Director Boettcher discussed this item with Council.

Councilmember Stout **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 20-1360, authorizing the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with RH2 Engineering, Inc. for the Black Diamond Springs Rehabilitation project; **second** Councilmember Wisnoski.

There was Council discussion.

**Vote:** Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

**6) AB20-036 – Ordinance Amending Section 2.04.010 of the Black Diamond Municipal Code to Authorize Virtual Council Meetings During Emergencies**

City Attorney Linehan briefed Council on this agenda item.

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt Ordinance No. 20-1142, amending Section 2.04.010 of the Black Diamond Municipal Code to authorize virtual Council meetings during emergencies; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date; **second** Councilmember Wisnoski. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

**Action Item:** Councilmember Deady **moved** to supplement Council Rule 11.1 with additional Protocols for Remote Legislative Public Hearings that were developed by the Mayor and posted to the City's website for purposes of conducting this public hearing on the 2021-2026 Transportation Improvement Plan; **second** Councilmember Stout. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire Department** - Mayor Benson noted being alerted by Chief Smith that 911 was having problems and believes it's been fixed, and the Fire Chief gave her alternate ways to call 911.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Benson reported attending the South County Area Transportation Board meeting; South County Mayor's meeting where the topic discussed was what it will look like opening up to the public; she shared that on Wednesday she conducted an all employee zoom meeting to discuss safety measures and protocols and touched on what opening up City offices to the public would look like.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilmember de Leon reported being able to join in on a multi city meeting to discuss anti-racism work and what that would like to our community and bringing in the school boards on this. She noted it is great we are finally addressing this and shared that this was a preliminary discussion with the cities of Enumclaw, Covington, Maple Valley and Black Diamond and looks forward to addressing this critical issue and what this will look like.

Councilmember Nelson reported attending a Black Diamond firefighter retirement event and shared that it was nice to celebrate that. He noted it being nice to be involved in City events. He touched on the support for our police department and meeting with city staff and is excited to work within the city of the people who keep us safe. He commented on the level of hostility and negativity being high and asked that if you see a police officer give them a thumbs up. He stated that we have the best police department in the country, and we support them as they are our city.

Councilmember Paige commented on it being good to have technology and how it can be a challenge to have these meetings.

Councilmember Deady reported on the Community Center and their event coming up showing our seniors we miss them, and the community supports them. She noted anybody can join this cruise as they all will be social distancing. Police and Fire will be helping and there are donations sites that are listed on Facebook. She shared that the Black Diamond Antique store and the Eagles have raised money to purchase benches to be donated to the City. They have purchased a bench made by a local gentlemen and it is now at the pump track for citizens to enjoy. One more bench will be coming however, the location has not been decided yet.

Councilmember Oglesbee reported showing our support to our local police department and believes it you haven't had a chance to get to know them she encouraged our citizens to do so. She suggested giving them a high five, elbow bump as they could really use our support. She encouraged folks to continue to patronize our local businesses and to continue to give love and support. She thanked city staff for all their hard work during this difficult time.

Councilmember Wisnoski echoed Councilmembers Oglesbee and Nelson on supporting our police department. He reported attending the Firefighter retirement. He commented on the Valley Chiefs putting out a great video and encouraged everyone to watch it. He touched on the museum needing a new furnace and thanked the folks at Ten Trails who made a \$5,000 donation towards this and encouraged others to donate through the GoFundMe page that has been set up.

Councilmember Stout asked about the E-911 outage and wondered if the number provided is 24 hours. She reported attending the Finance Committee meeting where the vouchers were discussed, the Public Works Committee meeting, and the police appreciation event. She shared how the Valley Chiefs police video really touched her heart and it was heartwarming to see these Chiefs and appreciates the police on many, many levels as they are there for us day to day. She noted having back and forth emails with Mr. Williamson on public comments that were received. She also attended the community meeting and noted being apprehensive and was really thrilled with the discussion by the presenters and checked out one of the books recommended by a participant. She commented that Council needs to be part of this discussion as there are people who are suffering in our community and we need to be part of the solution.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:**

City Attorney Linehan noted working on schedule for the public process to adopt school impact fees and Council will see this coming forward soon. He noted having a work session with Council at the end of July and public hearings with the Planning Commission and Council in early August with a final package for consideration at the second meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Oglesbee Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

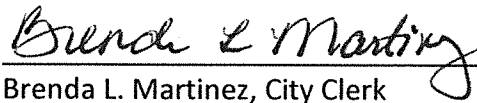
The meeting ended at 8:27 p.m.

ATTEST:



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Carol Benson, Mayor



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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk