BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

November 1, 2007

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:

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

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Botts, Councilmembers Sorci, Bowie, Cline, McPherson and Olness.

ABSENT: None

Staff present were: Rick Luther, City Administrator/Police Chief; Dan Dal Santo, Utilities Supervisor; Andy Williamson, Economic Development Director; May Miller, Finance Director; Greg Smith, Fire Chief and Brenda Streepy, City Clerk.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kristine Hanson 32506 236th Ave SE, Black Diamond asked Council for an update on Code Enforcement and wondered how things were progressing in this department.

Mayor Botts responded that recently the City's Code Enforcement Officer has resigned his position.

Jeff Jones 402 E Main Street, Auburn addressed Council on behalf of the Pierotti family partnership concerning the proposed Critical Areas Ordinance and distributed to Council their written comments.

David Vines 32600 5th St., Black Diamond asked Council what the status is on the vacation of 1st Avenue.

Councilmember Bowie reported that a formal application needs to be submitted before staff can start working on the possibility of vacating this street.

Mr. Vines explained that he does not want to pay the application fee if there is a chance they could lose their money.

Councilmember McPherson responded that the City Attorney recommends that we have a formal application submitted before staff can proceed.

June Vines 32600 5th St., Black Diamond handed out old pictures of 1st Avenue and said that the City has not maintained this street for many years and now the road is failing in

many places and is in desperate need of more gravel. She would like to see this resolved as a city issue and not neighbor to neighbor.

Utility Supervisor Dal Santo recommended bringing this up at street committee meeting to find a solution.

Mayor Botts agreed and asked that this be forwarded to the street committee.

City Administrator Luther explained that this is not a typical vacate and some time really needs to spent on researching if this is viable since this road could be used to connect old town to highway 169 in the future.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 07-470, PacWest Engineering-Diamond Square Latecomers Review

Utility Supervisor Dal Santo explained that adoption of Resolution No. 07-470 would allow PacWest Engineering to review the proposed Diamond Square Water Latecomers Agreement for an amount not to exceed \$2,000.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bowie and seconded by Councilmember Cline to adopt Resolution No. 07-470, authorizing the mayor to have PacWest Engineering, PC review the Proposed Diamond Square Water Latecomers Agreement and not to exceed \$2,000. Motion passed with all voting in favor (5-0).

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Public Works

Utility Supervisor Dal Santo reported that the City solicited for qualified engineers for the Jones Lake Road Project being funded by the Transportation Improvement Board. Last week the City interviewed the top five candidates and the selected firm was Hammond Collier. Staff would now like to ask Hammond Collier to prepare a scope of work and budget for this project.

There was Council consensus and Utility Supervisor Dal Santo was instructed to contact Hammond Collier and have them prepare a scope of work and budget for the Jones Lake Road Project.

Economic Development

Economic Development Director addressed Council on the Xterra Triathlon Event that staff and the park committee have been working on for the past three weeks. He explained that this triathlon is scheduled for next August so there is plenty of time for planning as this is a huge event which would help to get Black Diamond on the map. The event will not take place on city streets; therefore it would not be an impact to the City. The sub-committee has recommended that parking for this event be limited to participants, judges and sponsors.

The timeline for approval of this event is very short and staff is requesting approval to spend additional time in order to get a recommendation back to Council by the November 15th meeting.

Councilmember Olness expressed that the 171 spaces for parking needs to be addressed and a letter should be sent to the residents on 312th letting them know that this event will only effect them this year.

Councilmember Bowie clarified that the City is not being asked to sponsor this event but merely to use a piece of our real estate and would like to pursue having this event take place in Black Diamond.

There was Council consensus to allow staff to spend additional time on this matter and to bring back before Council at the November 15th meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None COUNCIL REPORTS: None ATTORNEY REPORT: None PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- 1.) Minutes Council Meeting of October 18, 2007
- **2.)** Claim Warrants November 1, 2007 No. 30799 through No. 30840 in the amount of \$36,558.16.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ATTEST:

Howard Botts, Mayor

Brenda L. Streepy, City Clerk