

**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL
WORKSTUDY NOTES**

January 17, 2013

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

Mayor Olness called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Goodwin, May, Benson and Taylor.

ABSENT: None

Staff present: Steve Pilcher, Executive Director of Community Development; Amy Donlan, Permit Center Supervisor; Andy Williamson, Executive Director of Engineering Services/Ec Dev; Aaron Nix, Natural Resources/Parks Director; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief and Brenda L. Martinez, Asst. City Admin/City Clerk.

2013 Fee Schedule Update

Mayor Olness reported the first item on tonight's workstudy agenda is the proposed changes to the fee schedule. She noted the City does this annually and added many of the changes are those discussed or adopted during the 2013 budget process.

The following sections of the fee schedule were discussed:

- Police
- Public Works
- Planning/Land Use Fees
- Miscellaneous Fees
- Plumbing and Mechanical Fees

During review Council discussed changing the special event fees to a \$200 permit fee plus staff time; not exempting over the counter permits from the technology fee, but charging a smaller fee of \$5; raising our building fees for residential so we are competitive with surrounding jurisdictions and lowering commercial rates to attract businesses to come to Black Diamond; and adding a fee for folks using the initiative and referendum process.

Cemetery Code

Mayor Olness reported the proposed cemetery code was previously brought before Council a few months back and a few changes were recommended. She added those changes have been incorporated into the document.

Natural Resources/Parks Director Nix noted the purpose of the proposed revision is to respond to the desire of several local citizens to service on a cemetery board or

committee and to increase volunteerism in the city; to update and streamline the cemetery language in the Black Diamond Municipal Code to properly reflect how the cemetery is managed under state laws and accounting principles as established by the State Auditor; remove obsolete penalty provisions and simply use the existing local ordinance pertaining to malicious mischief.


Sections 12.12.060 – Sale of lots and burial grounds and 12.12.070 – Abandoned lots were discussed with Council. Following discussion it was decided to have Mr. Nix gather additional information on these sections and report back to Council when the proposed code is presented for adoption.

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

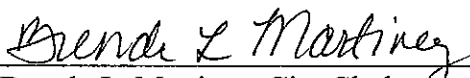
ADJOURNMENT:

The workstudy ended at 6:42 p.m.

ATTEST:



Rebecca Olness, Mayor



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk