

**BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
December 3, 2018**

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Benson called the special 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 were: Mayene Miller, Finance Director and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk.

AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

Councilmember Deady **moved** to approve the agenda; **second** Councilmember Edelman. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

APPOINTEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS SESSION:

Presentation – Black Diamond Community Center

Black Diamond Community Center Director Cheryl Hanson thanked the City Council for accepting her budget request of \$15,000. She noted that also included in that request was money for the generator as they are a warming and cooling center for the community. She shared with Council the services they provide for the community and discussed the upcoming events at the center.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.
Judy Watson, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 1) AB18-103** – Ordinance Regarding Increasing the Monthly Stormwater Rate in 2019 and Adding a CIP-U Inflationary Increase in 2020 and Beyond

Finance Director Miller briefed Council on this agenda item.

Mayor Benson opened the public hearing at 7:18 p.m.

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue commented on growing up in Black Diamond and being at Council meetings repeatedly talking about stormwater issues because they are really important as streams, lakes, and wetlands all over Puget Sound need protection from pollution that is currently in our stormwater runoff. She noted there being problems in Puget Sound with the salmon and orca populations. She also noted supporting what can be done to clean them up, however she does have concern with the rate increase. She commented on submitting a PDR for the document that was at the Council work session regarding the stormwater rate increase and read from the email chain response back where there was no responsive document. She noted without having that document she is unable to fully comment on the numbers tonight. She spoke about looking at the contract the City has with Peninsula Financial and noticing it doesn't include the standard clauses required by the City's insurance policy and wondered if Peninsula Financial had taken its requirement to comply with the public records act seriously - it's an issue that a record has disappeared that is required to be kept and available. She noted it appeared to her that some of the fee increase would be used to build up the capital fund and not just for stormwater operations, however she was unable to verify that due to not having the spreadsheet. She discussed the details in the agenda bill regarding the fee increase and those not matching up and wondered how to know if they're right. She discussed the new development and adding of new drivers on the roads which will contribute to the run off and there are other operating costs that they contribute. She stated if the stormwater rate increase is also going to help build up the capital projects fund and not just covering operating costs, it's going to contribute to capital projects that are going to result in direct financial benefit to the land developer Oakpointe. She discussed how Oakpointe does not want to pay the full cost of their development and how they pass the cost along in many small ways.

Mayor Benson closed the public hearing at 7:26 p.m.

2) AB18-104 – Final Public Hearing on 2019 Operating Budget

Finance Director Miller reported on this agenda item and shared receiving one public comment via email from Mr. Craig Goodwin.

Mayor Benson opened the public hearing at 7:28 p.m. No public testimony was heard, and Mayor Benson closed the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

3) AB18-105 – Resolution No. 18-1281 Amending the City Fee Schedule Regarding Niche Fee

Public Works Director Boettcher reported on this item.

There was Council discussion.

Councilmember Edelman **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 18-1281 amending the City Fee Schedule to raise the cemetery niche purchase fee from \$350 to \$600; **second** Councilmember Wisnoski. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

4) AB18-106 – Resolution No. 18-1282 Approving Agreement with CallTower for a Unified Phone System

IS Manager Reed addressed this item with Council.

There was back and forth discussion between staff and Council.

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 18-1282 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with CallTower for the purchase and installation of a new unified phone system; **second** Councilmember Stout. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

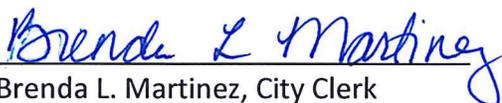
Councilmember Edelman **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Oglesbee. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

The meeting ended at 7:57 p.m.

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk