

**BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Council Meeting of August 1, 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, Edelman, Stout, and Wisnoski.

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Oglesbee (excused).

Staff present: Mayene Miller, Finance Director; Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director; David Linehan, City Attorney, and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR.

**AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:**

Councilmember Stout **moved** to accept the agenda; **second** Councilmember Edelman. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember Wisnoski. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 1) **Claim Checks** – July 4, 2019 – Check No. 47638 through 47691 in the amount of \$613,852.13, July 18, 2019 Check No. 47692 through 47742 and EFTs in the amount of \$610,181.10, and August 1, 2019 – Check No. 47743 through 47786 in the amount of \$190,683.98.
- 2) **Payroll** – June 30, 2019 – Check No. 19812 through 19844 and ACHs in the amount of \$360,484.27.
- 3) **Minutes** – Work Session of June 13, 2019, Special Meeting of June 20, 2019, Council Meeting of June 20, 2019

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mike Fetting, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Mike England, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Carol Harp, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Gary Davis, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.

James Stout, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **4) AB19-034 – Resolution No. 19-1308 Adopting the 2020 Budget Calendar**

Finance Director Miller reported on this item and noted the 2019 dates in the resolution are in error and those dates need to be changed to 2020.

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 19-1308, adopting the 2020 Budget Planning Process and Calendar; **second** Councilmember Edelman. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

### **5) AB19-035 – Resolution No. 19-1309 Awarding 2019 Lawson Street Patching Project**

Public Works Director Boettcher discussed this item with Council. He noted a computation error in the bid and recommended award of the bid.

There was discussion between staff and Council on this item.

Councilmember Edelman **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 19-1309, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Statewide Parking Lots Services Inc. for 2019 Lawson Street Patching Project; **second** Councilmember Wisnoksi. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

### **6) AB19-036 – Ordinance No. 19-1123 Amending Black Diamond Municipal Code Chapter 12.12 regarding cemeteries.**

Public Works Director Boettcher briefed Council on this item.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council.

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adopt Ordinance No. 19-1123 amending the Black Diamond Municipal Code Chapter 12.12; **second** Councilmember Edelman. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

### **7) AB19-037 – Ordinance No. 19-1124 Adding a New Chapter to Municipal Code Concerning the Position of the City Attorney**

Mayor Benson reported on this item and noted having an independent Attorney review the document since it was written by the City Attorney.

Councilmembers provided comments regarding this ordinance and clarification was provided by the City Attorney on two sections: 1) Purpose and 2) Selection and Qualifications.

Councilmember Edelman **moved** to adopt Ordinance No. 19-1124, adding a new chapter to the Municipal Code concerning the position of the City Attorney, provided for severability, and establishing an effective date; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

**8) AB19-038 – Ordinance No. 19-1125 Regarding Increasing the Size of the City Council**

Councilmember Edelman discussed this item with Council and shared the preliminary schedule for the process she is suggesting.

There was back and forth discussion between Councilmembers regarding the process and state law.

Councilmember Edelman **moved** adopt Ordinance No. 19-1125, increasing the size of the Council to seven members, repealing inconsistent Ordinances; affirming Ordinance 182B; calling for severability; and establishing an effective date; **second** Councilmember Stout. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire** – Commissioner Ferrell shared that August 6<sup>th</sup> is National Night Out and the department will have fire engines in town at different areas from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. He also confirmed the Board is looking forward to the study session on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Smith recapped the incident report and noted during the period of June 6 – July 31 there were a total of 90 incidents for an average of 1.7 per day. He also noted that for June there were 1368 volunteer hours and 1322 hours for July. He mentioned the Wildland Gator is now in service and carries 50 gallons of water and class A foam. There is also a backboard so they can transport victims. He reported that on July 4<sup>th</sup> there were three (3) incidents within the city limits. He shared that in September there will be another pancake feed fundraiser and the proceeds from the fundraiser is TBD. There was also discussion on fire prevention week in October.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Benson reported attending the Finance, Public Works, Public Safety, and Planning Committee meetings. She shared meeting with the Fire Department on the fire station, attended a tri-city meeting recap, cemetery board meeting, South-end Mayor's meeting, and participated in the Wild and Whacky Golf tournament where her team won first place for having the best decorated golf cart. She also attended the Alien Invasion at the Library.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilmember Deady reported attending the AWC Conference in Spokane, Miners Day and reminded citizens the City-wide yard sale is coming up on August 9-11 and noted being busy handing out citizen awards form to residents for the upcoming Labor Days. She shared that she also participated in the Wild and Wacky Golf Challenge with Mayor Benson and winning first place on their golf cart decorations which was Christmas in July. She participated in the procession for the firefighter who drowned and attended the Finance and Public Safety meetings.

Councilmember Edelman reported reviewing the Council rules and the need to revise them in a couple of areas. She discussed changes to section 7.2.19 and 7.3 needing rewrites so they are consistent. Also needing updates is Section 18 regarding Council Standing Committees as they are out of date. Currently from a staffing perspective the Parks and Cemetery Committee has been broken up and being handled in other committees. She noted this needs to be addressed so the intent and purpose of the other committees can be changed and asked Council to look at these sections.

Councilmember Stout reported attending two finance committee meeting where the vouchers were reviewed along with the 2018 Annual Report. She thanked staff for their hard work in getting this completed and shared the report is also posted to the City's website. She attended the Public Works Committee meeting where items on the agenda were discussed. She noted being excited about new streetlights that are coming. She met with Mr. Williamson to discuss the next phase of development in Ten Trails. She attended the SCA Networking Dinner and noted they had an energetic speaker who would come out to Black Diamond and share what their organization can do for Black Diamond. She also noted attending the ribbon cutting event for the new Farmers Insurance business and it being nice to see a young person move their life forward.

Councilmember Wisnoski reported meeting with Mr. Williamson on the next phase of development. He shared attending Miners Day and manning the City booth. He noted looking forward to receiving feedback for the Planning and Community Services Committee regarding what should be the focus for our Code Enforcement Plan as the City has limited resources. He urged citizens to either email or call him regarding what they feel should be the priorities. He also noted attending the event at Ten Trails.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**


Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

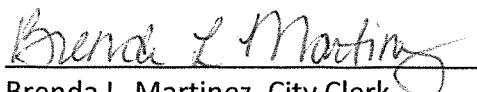
**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Stout. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (4-0).

The meeting ended at 8:51 p.m.

  
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Carol Benson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk