

**BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Council Meeting of May 20, 2021**  
**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 Oglesbee, Mulvihill, de Leon, O'Donnell, and Page.

**ABSENT:** Councilmembers Deady and Wisnoski (excused)

Staff present: Andrew Williamson, MDRT/Ec Dev Director; Mayene Miller, Finance Director; Mona Davis, Community Development Director; David Linehan, City Attorney; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief; and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

**AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:**

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to approve the agenda. **second** Councilmember Oglesbee. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

**Proclamation – Mental Health Awareness Month**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to adopt the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember O'Donnell. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 1) **Claim Checks** – May 20, 2021 Check No. 49956 through 50008 and EFTs in the amount of \$1,167,506.21
- 2) **Payroll** – April 2021 Check No. 20075 through 20082 and ACHs in the amount of \$433,403.66
- 3) **Minutes** –, Council Meeting of May 6, 2021
- 4) **AB21-028** – Resolution Granting Approval of the Final Plat for Ten Trails Plat 2E Subdivision
- 5) **AB21-029** – Resolution Approving Contract Extension with Pacifica Law Group for Appellate Legal Services

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue addressed the City Council.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 6) **AB21-026A** – Resolution Amending Council Rules of Procedure to Include a Social Media Policy

City Attorney Linehan reported on the agenda item.

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 21-1419 amending the City Council Rules of Procedure to include a Social Media Policy; **second** Councilmember Mulvihill. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 7) **AB21-030** – Resolution Approving Pass-Through King County Metro Sewer Rate Increase

Finance Director Miller reviewed this item with Council.

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 21-1422 to increase the (pass-through) KC Metro sewer rate by \$2.04 per month per ERU effective June 1, 2021; **second** Councilmember de Leon. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

- 8) **AB21-031** – Ordinance Regarding Accepting Skate Park Donations

Mayor Benson briefed Council on this item.

Councilmember Mulvihill **moved** to approve Ordinance No. 21-1160, authorizing the acceptance of donations for the design and construction of a skate park; establishing a skate park donation fund; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date; **second** Councilmember O'Donnell. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire** – Chief Smith shared that it has been fairly slow in Black Diamond these past fourteen days with most calls being EMS related. He discussed the two drownings in the Gorge and stressed that this is a dangerous area to recreate. He recapped the number of calls for Station 98 and reported that the new fire engine will be delivered to Station 95 in late June.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Benson reported attending the Strong Mayor's meeting where they discussed reopening and what that would look like. She also attending the SCATBd meeting, Chamber meeting at the Legacy Site in Maple Valley, and an AWC/MRSC post pandemic workplace webinar with the City Clerk.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilmember de Leon reported attending her committee meetings and reminded everyone to turn in the parks plan survey; engaged on her social media site on the roundabout so information is pushed out to citizens and noted fielding questions on their concerns. She is hoping to host another zoom meet and greet soon and is also promoting water safety. She reminded everyone that the recycling event is coming up on Saturday for citizens to participate in. She encouraged everyone to find a vaccine as there are many opportunities to get an appointment. She commented on the City having Juneteenth as a legal holiday for the City.

Councilmember O'Donnell is concerned about the cold-water fatality and stated that his heart goes out to the family. He asked for everyone to put their heads together to make sure this does not happen again. He shared that he reached out to his contacts at WSDOT on the roundabout and also the 288<sup>th</sup> and 169 interchange lane to get an understanding on these projects. He thanked Mayor Benson for her leadership on the skate park project and stated his company will donate \$1,000 towards it.

Councilmember Page reported attending her committee meetings and shared doing her walkabout of Black Diamond where she identified areas needed flags at crosswalks to take back to the Public Safety Committee. She and Councilmember Mulvihill met with King County Councilmember Dunn and they brought up to flags at crosswalks and noted him being open with this. Also discussed was the continued long conversation of the annexation of station 98 into the city and shared that a meeting has been set to discuss this more. She attended the Chamber luncheon and thanked Mayor Benson and the City Clerk for getting their pictures in the visitor's guide. She commented that she and Councilmember Mulvihill are reading partners on the City's Comprehensive Plan. She shared that code violations were discussed at the Planning Committee meeting and she will be researching options with Councilmember de Leon to provide help to folks who cannot work to bring their property up to code. She encouraged citizens to reach out to see when the park donation form will be available.

Councilmember Oglesbee reported attending her committee meeting and the public hearing last week. She expressed that she would like to help deliver the new visitor guides to businesses. She commented on the Vietnam Wall that is coming to the City of Enumclaw on August 5, 6, and 7 and discussed how the extra traffic could be beneficial to our town and businesses.

Councilmember Mulvihill reported that in the Public Safety Committee meeting they discussed a bicycle rodeo with the school on June 15<sup>th</sup>. She shared the challenges with this event and noted that the Chief suggested getting together to see how we want this to look. She also shared meeting with King County Councilmember Dunn where they expressed the non-function of Station 98. She noted being very impressed their pictures were in the visitor guide. She thanked Councilmember de Leon for her social media update on the roundabout. She encouraged citizens to attend the recycling event at Tahoma High School on May 22 and thanked staff for being so helpful.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:**

Attorney Linehan reported that he and Mr. Williamson met with Mountain View Fire District to hammer out the potential new fire service contract and noted they are making good progress; the next meeting is in the early part of June. He also shared that he and staff are close to having a traffic impact fee ordinance ready for Council consideration.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

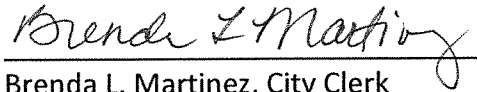
Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Mulvihill. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0). The meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



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Carol Benson, Mayor



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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk