

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Meeting of May 6, 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 Deady, Oglesbee, Wisnoski, Mulvihill, de Leon, O'Donnell, and Page.

ABSENT: None

Staff present: Seth Boettcher, Public Works Director; Scott Hanis, Capital Project/Program Manager; Andrew Williamson, MDRT/Ec Dev Director; Mayene Miller, Finance Director; Mona Davis, Community Development Director; David Linehan, City Attorney; and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

Councilmember Deady **moved** to approve the agenda. **second** Councilmember Wisnoski. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0).

APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Benson announced that she re-appointed Don Mason and Dee Israel to the Cemetery Board.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to adopt the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember Wisnoski. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 1) **Claim Checks** – May 6, 2021 Check No. 49892 through 49898 (void 49836) in the amount of \$198,716.22
- 2) **Minutes** – Work Session of April 8, 2021, Council Meeting of April 15, 2021, Special Meeting of April 22, 2021, and Special Town Hall Meeting of April 22, 2021
- 3) **AB21-022** – Resolution Awarding 2021 City-Wide Overlays Project
- 4) **AB21-023** – Resolution Regarding Payment to Rainier Foothills Wellness Foundation
- 5) **AB21-024** – Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Replacement Police Vehicle
- 6) **AB21-025** – Resolution Approving Professional Services Agreement with Peninsula Financial

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 7) **AB21-020** – Resolution Amending Council Rules of Procedure to Include a Social Media Policy

City Attorney Linehan briefed Council on this item and went over the proposed policy.

Councilmembers discussed revisions to the proposed policy.

Following discussion there was consensus to have Attorney Linehan bring back a cleaned up revised version for the next meeting for Council to consider.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire – Chief Smith reported on Station 98 responding to an incident every day and noted we all share these resources. He discussed the large fire that happened last month down in the Green Valley area and discussed how western Washington is starting to look like eastern Washington for wildfires. He touched on the new fire engine and the timing of the remaining payment. He shared that they have been busy doing inspections in the City, and was at City Hall looking at the building all departments are moving into.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Benson reported that next week would normally be a work session and asked if Council wanted to cancel this work session since there is a special meeting that night at 7 p.m. for a public hearing on the proposed Housing Action Plan. There was consensus to cancel the work session. Mayor Benson announced that she will be bringing forward an Ordinance that would allow the City to collect donations for the Skate Park. She shared that she is looking into trying to move back in the office on 7/6 and have the public come in by appointment only. She noted in Public Works they discussed a long range sidewalk plan and Seth was tasked with putting that together. She encouraged everyone to attend the regional meetings.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Mulvihill reported attending the work session, her committee meetings and attended the Fire Commissioner meeting. She also attended the Public Safety Committee meeting where they discussed having a bike rodeo. She shared being busy refreshing her memory on the Comp Plan and maps.

Councilmember de Leon expressed she is glad to hear about the other projects that are moving forward and gave the example of the skate park and the sidewalk plan. She shared hosting another zoom town hall with residents. She reported that she was able to attend the Earth Day park clean-up event, her committee meetings and mentioned there are a lot of resources and assets in our greater community to tap into.

Councilmember O'Donnell announced he received his 2nd COVID vaccine and encouraged everyone to get the vaccine. He reported attending his Committee meetings and is glad we hired a consultant to help develop a forecasting model for the City. He gave a shout out to Seth and Scott and for Seth's commitment to prepare the sidewalk inventory plan. He also discussed funding that might be available for the skate park and encouraged getting that up and going.

Councilmember Page thanked the Mayor and staff for working on getting the skate park going again. She reported attending an equity program and a meeting with Chief Kiblinger on the police department. She shared inviting Sgt. Lynch to her HOA meeting and that it was very informative. She also reported meeting with Seth and learned about water and sewer and how our city runs. She shared having a great meeting with community members to discuss green spaces around the city. She mentioned sitting in on the Fire Commissioner meeting and encouraged others to sit on them. She commented on having a productive meeting with Brian Ross, CEO of Oakpointe. She attended the Friends of the Library plant sale, met with Mayor Benson and attended the Public Safety Committee meeting. In closing, she reminded everyone to get their PRO survey turned in.

Councilmember Deady discussed history on the cleanup of the scotch broom at the regional park. She noted also working on the rain garden at the corner of Roberts Drive and Morgan St. She commented on the hanging baskets on Railroad Avenue and noted these were purchased through the PTA at the school. She touched on the regional meetings she attends and noted needing an alternate for the PIC. She shared that Miners Day is hoping to make a presence this year and it will be one week later than when it is usually held and that Labor Day volunteers are needed. She reported attending the Public Works Committee meeting. She expressed that the fence at the pump track looks great and is happy we now have two entries. She shared that HOAs are inviting departments and the Mayor to speak and noted this being a great resource.

Councilmember Oglesbee reported attending the Public Safety Committee meeting where they discussed having crosswalk flags around the community, the Icicle Creek mine hazard study will be ready soon, new legislation coming out regarding police, and the Municipal Court is still looking for a part time Judicial Specialist. She shared that this month is mental health awareness month and reminded everyone on the importance of checking in on each other. She also shared that a Vietnam Memorial wall be coming to Enumclaw this summer.

Councilmember Wisnoski reported going to his committee meeting and work session. He noted having good conversations with his neighbors and the need for education as there is still a lot of misinformation out there. He supports the crosswalk flags and pointed out

that on the consent agenda was the authorization for the payment to Rainier Foothills Wellness Foundation for in-school mental health counseling. He also shared that many businesses are looking for employees and reminded everyone to support your local businesses. He noted he will not be in attendance at the next meeting and gave kudos to the MDRT department and Goodfellows for getting the intersection done ahead of schedule.

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Attorney Linehan shared that staff is working on many projects and he and his colleagues work with them all. He noted a lot is going on in the city and Council will see more coming at them soon.

Councilmember Deady shared that August 5th is the arrival of the Veteran's Memorial Wall in the City of Enumclaw and agrees with having the flags at the crosswalks. She encouraged that the fence at the intersection of 169 and Roberts Drive be more friendly for pedestrians and suggested having a break for people to be able to go inside it to get off the road.

Councilmember Wisnoski shared that registration for elected offices starts on May 17th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

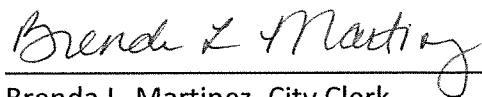
ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Oglesbee **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (7-0). The meeting ended at 9:03 p.m.

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk