

**EATONVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

TIME: 7:00 PM

DATE: March 26, 2012

PLACE: Eatonville Community Center

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harper called the meeting of the Eatonville Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Town Clerk Chrystal McGlone called the roll. The following were:

Present: Mayor Raymond Harper, Mayor Pro Tem Jim Valentine, Council members Abby Gribi, Gordon Bowman, Brenden Pierce and Bob Schaub

Also Present: Town Administrator Doug Beagle, Town Clerk Chrystal McGlone, Town Planner Nick Bond, Treasurer Mike Schaub, Police Chief Kevin Wade, and Fire Chief Robert Hudspeth

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Harper led the assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

The Town Clerk read the Mission Statement for the Town of Eatonville:

“The Town’s mission is to create, provide and administer municipal services while protecting the present and future health, safety and general welfare of the community.”

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council member **Bowman** moved to set time restrictions to 3 minutes and for approval and was seconded by Council member **Gribi**. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Tom Smallwood, 300 Pennsylvania Ave N, said they received a \$48,000 grant from CWBG and thanked the Town Administrator, Town Clerk, Mayor and Kerri for their support. He then spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

David Smith, 111 Fir Ave, addressed the Council regarding income alternatives that have been rejected by Council, including raising utility tax and levies. He stated that the Town is facing losing the Police Department because of the Council. He spoke in favor of keeping the police department and funding the Fire Department better, and stated that he is in favor of an increased utility tax to do it. He then spoke regarding the proposed contract with the Pierce County Sheriff’s Department addressing costs and response times.

William Shoopman, 755 Riverside Ln E, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Aaron Boeckel, 233 Easton Ave W, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Paul Roe, 117-B Rainier Ave S, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Alice Phillips, Business Manager and Financial Secretary for IBEW 483 and representative of the employees of the Town of Eatonville, said that the Town has hard working employees and that the Town's budget problems can't be fixed by laying people off as there will be no one to do the work. She stated that employees have given back wages and that three other employees had been laid off.

Don Nunley, 760 Riverside Ln, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Charlie Poole, Airport Rd, talked about being written up for criminal trespass and spoke in favor of the Pierce County Sheriff's Department.

David Wohl, 715 Riverside Ln, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Alex Hansen, 203 Conant Dr N, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Richard Pikus, 405 Center St W, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Jason McGuire, 704 Riverside Ln, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Bobbi Allison, 117 Cedar Ave, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Jody Johnson, 202 Prospect St E, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Tiffany Roberts, 104 Penn Ave, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Eldarae LeBeau, 9906 328th St E, stated that her Farmer's Insurance business is at 109 Washington Ave N and spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Alan Esselbach, 153 Baumgartner PL, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Nicholas Junka, 100 Pennsylvania Ave N, spoke in favor of keeping the police department and said that we need to do something to generate business in the Town.

Pat Kahler, 504 Center St W, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Buck Adams, 770 Riverside Lane, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Michael J Scarfo, 215 Dow Ridge Dr, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Delaney Anderson, 605 Williams Ct, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

Melly Rodriguez, 601 Williams Ct, spoke in favor of keeping the police department.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes from Jan 23, Feb 13 and Mar 12 meetings
- b. Payroll Checks 24311 thru 24322 \$91,038.57
- c. Claims Checks 30857 thru 30909 \$260,652.89

Council member **Bowman** moved approval and was seconded by Council member **Gribi**. The consent agenda passed with Council member **Pierce** voting against.

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

- a. Committee Reports:
 - Council member **Valentine** gave a Finance Committee update.
 - Council member **Bowman** gave a Public Safety Committee update and spoke about Police perception and animal control, and meeting with the Police and Fire Chiefs regarding more community involvement.
- b. Mayor's Report
- c. Staff Reports:
 - Fire Chief **Hudspeth** spoke about the Firefighters Association.
 - Planner Nick **Bond** reminded everyone that there would be 20 UW master students coming for a Visioning Workshop on Saturday for the next update of the comprehensive plan
- d. Finance Report:
 - Treasurer Mike **Schaub** passed out his March 23, 2012 report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION MATTERS

Council member **Pierce** made motion to change "possible" to "pending" and was seconded by Council member **Gribi**. All were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution 2012-P Public Hearing	A Resolution of the Eatonville Town Council stating its decision in response to Van Eaton Family Trust Petition for Annexation under RCW 35.13.125.
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Town Clerk Chrystal McGlone read the Resolution by title into the record.

Council member **Schaub** moved approval and was seconded by Council member **Valentine**.

Mayor **Harper** opened the public hearing. There were no speakers. Mayor **Harper** closed the public hearing.

Council member **Valentine** moved to amend the Resolution by striking the 4th "Whereas" and Council member **Gribi** seconded. All were in favor. Council approved the Resolution as amended.

Resolution 2012-Q

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eatonville approving an interlocal agreement between Pierce County and its cities and towns, which ratifies and adopts an amendment to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies to designate a candidate regional industrial/manufacturing center in the City of Tacoma.

Town Clerk Chrystal McGlone read the Resolution by title into the record.

Council member **Gribi** moved to approve and was seconded by Council member **Valentine**. All were in favor.

Resolution 2012-R

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eatonville approving an interlocal agreement between Pierce County and its cities and towns, which ratifies and adopts an amendment to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies to designate a candidate regional industrial/manufacturing center in the City of University Place.

Town Clerk Chrystal McGlone read the Resolution by title into the record.

Council member **Gribi** moved to approve and was seconded by Council member **Pierce**. All were in favor.

Resolution 2012-S

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eatonville approving an interlocal agreement between Pierce County and its cities and towns, which ratifies and adopts an amendment to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies to designate a candidate regional industrial/manufacturing center in the cities of Sumner and Pacific.

Town Clerk Chrystal McGlone read the Resolution by title into the record.

Council member **Gribi** moved to approve and was seconded by Council member **Pierce**. All were in favor.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council member Valentine asked if the Mayor got a legal opinion from the Town Attorney as to whether or not the "Letters of Understanding" need to come before Council. The Town Attorney confirmed that Letters of Understanding do have to come before the Council for authorization for the Mayor to sign. Council member Valentine wants all letters of understanding signed by the Mayor to be reviewed for validity.

Council member Gribi thanked the citizens for coming to the meeting and encouraged them all to continue to attend.

Council member Schaub said it was interesting having the citizens turn out for the meeting and give their opinions. Also he would like to get information to Council more quickly and asked about a retreat to go over things.

Council Member Pierce explained that he voted no against the Consent Agenda because he voted no on the budget. He expressed hope that the town can rectify the budget so that he feels it is reasonable and then he will start voting for the consent agenda. He also spoke about the possible closure of the concrete plant and stated that the Town needs more tax revenue.

Council member Bowman said that he heard the citizen comments and grieves that he was painted with the same brush as the ones who refuse to raise taxes. He also stated that he heard a lot of people that are willing to pay more taxes to maintain services. He then challenged the Finance Committee to come up with a solution.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member **Gribi** moved to adjourn the meeting and Council member **Bowman** seconded. Mayor **Harper** adjourned the meeting at 9:27 PM.

Raymond Harper, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk