

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

TIME: 7:00 PM

DATE: July 9, 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

Interim Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer called the roll. The following were:

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

Council member **Pierce** made a motion to excuse Council member **Bowman** and was seconded by Council member **Schaub**. All were in favor.

Also Present: Interim Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer, Town Administrator Doug Beagle, Town Planner Nick Bond, Treasurer Mike Schaub, Police Chief Jason McGuire, 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 **Gribi** moved approval and was seconded by Council member **Schaub**. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Citizen Mike Wood, owner of the Roxy Theater reported that his business was attacked with sparkler bombs and gave a list of events from July 3, 2012 to July 7, 2012.

Citizens Karen Woodcock and Audrey Thompson thanked the Town, Fire Department, Police Department, Mayor and Town Council for helping to make the July 3rd and 4th a successful event. Awards were handed out to the Mayor, Police Department and Fire Departments.

Citizen Nancy Iams expressed her concerns about the streetscape and sidewalks in front of her business. Several people have fell due to dips in the sidewalks.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from June 25, 2012 Council Meeting
- B. Glacier Park Rental Application
- C. Claims 31206 to 31225 \$ 34,241.39
- D. Payroll 24413 to 24424 \$ 83,450.40

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

- a. Police Report- May report is on file with the Town Clerk. Chief Mcguire gave a report on the July 3rd fireworks show and thanked reserve officers Shoopman and Smith for volunteering their time and also officer Anderson for adjusting her shift to help with the event. The department has received a grant from AWC for a security system. The judge has assigned some defendants to community service and they have been working around town.
- b. Fire/EMS Report- May report is on file with the Town Clerk. Chief Hudspeth gave a report on calls for the department. A FEMA grant has been submitted for a new medic unit and they are working on donations for the match. Pierce County DEM and Pierce County Sheriffs will be participating in a active shooter training in Eatonville.
- c. Public Works Report- May reports are on file with the Town Clerk. Administrator Doug Beagle stated that three applications have been received for the Water Department and they will be reviewing them on Monday.
- d. Youth Connection Report-
- e. Committee Report- Council Member **Valentine** gave a report on the Finance Committee meeting. The committee met on July 3, 2012. The next meeting will be July 17, 2012 and the committee will be discussing budget amendments and the current budget.
- f. Mayor's Report- Mayor Harper reported that a counter offer has been received on the Center Street house.
- g. Staff Report- The treasurer submitted a Treasurer's Cash Report as the end of business on July 6, 2012.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 2012-8 FIRST READING (PUBLIC HEARING)

An Ordinance of the Eatonville Town Council relating to vacation of unopened portion of alley between Carter Street SW and Center street SW and between Cedar Avenue N and Pennsylvania Avenue N

Interim Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer read the Ordinance by title into the record.

Council member **Schaub** moved approval and was seconded by Council member **Pierce**

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

Donald McVicker at 102 Penn Ave N asked if the alley vacate was approved, does that mean he would no longer be able to use it. He also stated that he did not receive any information mailed to him about the alley vacate.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

Council member **Valentine** moved to table the Ordinance until July 23, 2012 and was seconded by Council member **Pierce** All were in favor.

ORDINANCE-2012-9 FIRST READING (PUBLIC HEARING)

An Ordinance of the Town of Eatonville, Pierce County, Washington, relating to funding for Police, Fire, and Emergency services with property taxes; providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the Town at the statewide general election to be held November 6, 2012, a proposition authorizing the Town of Eatonville for a special excess levy to cover public safety expenses; providing for severability, ratification of past consistent actions, and an effective date

Interim Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer read the Ordinance by title into the record

Council member **Schaub** moved approval and was seconded by Council member **Pierce**

The Mayor opened the public hearing

Citizen David Smith spoke in favor of the Levy. He felt it is critical and what the public has been talking about.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

Council Member **Valentine** made a motion to amend the Ordinance 2012-9 to include the amount of \$161,048.11 and was seconded by Council member **Gribi**. The amendment passed with Council Member **Pierce** voting no.

Council Member **Valentine** made a motion to change the language of the levy to be for General Governmental Operations and not specified for public safety. The motion was seconded by Council member **Pierce**. The amendment passed with Council member **Gribi** voting no.

Council member **Valentine** made a motion to adopt the Ordinance 2012-9 as amended and was seconded by Council member **Gribi**. All were in favor.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 409 CENTER STREET

Mayor Harper announced to Council that a counter offer was made on the house located at 409 Center Street. Mayor Harper invited Real Estate Agent Melly Rodriguez to the podium and she gave an explanation of why the purchaser gave a lower offer.

Council member **Valentine** made a motion to accept the offer of \$55,000 for the house located at 409 Center Street. The motion was seconded by Council member **Gribi**. All were in favor.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council member **Valentine** stated that he was disappointed in the way the vandalism was handled at the Roxy Theatre.

Council member **Gribi** said the Visitor Center Committee is still looking for volunteers to staff the Visitor Center on Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 11-4.

Council member **Schaub** agreed with Council member Valentine about the way the vandalism was handled at the Roxy Theatre and would like the money from the house sale to go to the trails fund in the LGIP account.

Council member **Pierce** met with the Blanchard family and they would like to be involved with the 911 project on September 8th.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member **Gribi** moved to continue and Council Member **Pierce** seconded. All were in favor. Mayor Harper adjourned the meeting at 8:26 PM.

Raymond Harper, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Linnemeyer, Interim Town Clerk