

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

TIME: 7:00 PM

DATE: April 22, 2019

PLACE: Eatonville Community Center

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas called the meeting of the Eatonville Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Present: Councilmembers Bill Dunn, Bob Walter, Bob Thomas and Jennie Hannah.

Also Present: Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer, Town Administrator Abby Gribi, Fire Chief Lloyd Galey and Police Chief Jason Laliberte.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas led the assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/SET TIME RESTRICTIONS

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to add the approval of a distribution, awarding Lodging Tax revenue as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, to the agenda and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

Councilmember Walter moved approval as amended with a three minute time restriction and was seconded by Councilmember Dunn. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Will Moncrease stated that he was an applicant for the vacant Council position and had no comments.

David Baublits spoke to Council about a town theme to bring people to Eatonville using Eatonville's history of a logging town. He stated that requesting financial assistance from large logging companies could pay for the projects. Mr. Baublits reached his 3 minute time restriction. Councilmember Dunn made a motion to extend Mr. Baublits' comments for an additional 3 minutes and was seconded by Councilmember Thomas. All were in favor. Mr. Baublits continued his discussion about creating a town theme.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from the April 8, 2019 Council Meeting
- B. Payroll 26372 to 26378 \$ 82,593.22
- C. Claims 38110 to 38134 \$ 248,440.46

Councilmember Walter moved approval and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

- a. **Police Report** – Chief Laliberte stated that he is happy to be here and stated that he is getting settled in the job. He also updated Council on the hiring process for a new Police Officer and announced that he will be expanding social media outreach for the Department.
- b. **Fire Report**- Chief Galey informed Council that the MOU that they had with their union has expired and they are now staffing with career staff only.
- c. **Public Works Report** – Town Administrator Gribi announced that she met with the State Parks regarding the Nisqually State Park design and that she is working with a consultant to update storm drain projects.
- d. **Finance Committee** – Councilmember Dunn announced that the Finance Committee met on April 18th and reviewed the monthly Cash Flow report, brought the new Committee member up to speed and discussed adopting an Ordinance giving staff the ability to make clerical changes to Ordinances after they have been approved.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN PRESENTATION

Debbie Bailey with Pierce County gave a presentation on the process to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan and explained that updates are required every five years. The Town's current Hazard Mitigation Plan will expire in July 2020.

RESOLUTION 2019-L

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, approving an agreement to extend the contract for banking services with Columbia Bank.

Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer read the Resolution by title into the record.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-L and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2019-M

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington authorizing the execution of a professional services consultant agreement with KPG, P.S. for improvements on Rainier Avenue and Pennsylvania Avenue.

Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer read the Resolution by title into the record.

Councilmember Walter made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-M and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO FILL POSITION 5

Town Administrator Gribi informed Council that she gave each of them a list of questions that they can ask the applicants and reminded them that all applicants should be asked the same questions. Pro-Tem Thomas invited applicants Joe Hagen, Emily McFadden and Will Moncrease to the podium one at a time, to answer questions from Councilmembers.

Councilmember Hannah made a motion to include the Town Clerk in the executive session and was seconded by Councilmember Dunn. All were in favor.

Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas adjourned the meeting at 8:00 to go into executive session for approximately 20 minutes to discuss the qualifications of the Councilmember applicants. Town Administrator Abby Gribi announced that the executive session would be an additional 10 minutes.

Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas called the meeting to order at 8:36.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to nominate Emily McFadden to fill Council position #5 and was seconded by Councilmember Walter. The motion passed with Councilmember Thomas voting no.

MOTION TO APPROVE A DISTRIBUTION AWARDED LODGING TAX REVENUE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to award funds as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee to the Chamber of Commerce, Rod Knockers and the Eatonville Float Committee and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Hannah thanked everyone for attending the Council meeting, welcomed Chief Laliberte and stated that she loved the ideas that were presented by David Baublits about tourism during citizens comments.

Councilmember Thomas welcomed Chief Laliberte, thanked the presenters and thanked the Council candidates.

Councilmember Walter welcomed Chief Laliberte, thanked the Council applicants and announced that he has completed his ICS courses.

Councilmember Dunn welcomed Chief Laliberte and stated that his decision on filling the open Council position was based on which applicant had the smallest learning curve.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Dunn moved to adjourn and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor. Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas adjourned the meeting at 8:52 PM.

Mike Schaub, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Linnemeyer, Town Clerk