

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

TIME: 7:00 PM

DATE: July 8, 2019

PLACE: Eatonville Community Center

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Schaub 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 Emily McFadden, 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 Officer Kevin Wade.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Schaub 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 a discussion to the agenda regarding the laws and use of the skate park and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. All were in favor.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to add a discussion to the agenda regarding contracting with a pump track consultant and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. All were in favor.

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

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Citizen Marlayne Elliff spoke about how Glacier Park started with donations from citizens and spoke against removing trees at Glacier Park. Her comments reached the three minute time limit, Dixie Walter offered to give Marlayne her three minutes of time and Council voted to extend her time for an additional 3 minutes.

Citizen Julie Wood stated that, when the park was built, there was no money for trees and her family donated money for a tree in memory of her grandma. She would hate to see it go.

Citizen Bobbie Allison is against changing the use of Glacier Park from general community use to a soccer field and asked where the sprinkler is that was purchased by Bruce Rath during his term as Mayor.

Citizen Frank Mottl spoke in favor of allowing mixed use at the skate park and handed out park information and a petition that was signed by people to show interest and support for allowing BMX bikes and scooters in the skate park.

Citizen Gloria Lowe spoke against removing trees and changing the use of Glacier Park.

Citizen Jeannette Carpenter spoke in favor of allowing bicycles at the skate park.

Citizen Mike Carpenter spoke in favor of allowing bicycles at the skate park.

Citizen Sarah Taylor stated that she is moving to Eatonville for the community aspect and feels that engaging in conflict on Facebook by people in power is damaging.

Citizen Paul Treyz spoke against removing trees at Glacier Park and stated the ecological benefit of trees.

Citizen Roni Johnson stated that she has old copies of the Dispatch and read a letter to Council about donations to build Glacier Park that was published in 1967. She would also like to see more things at Glacier Park for kids with disabilities and for senior citizens.

Sean Vasquez, Misty Jacobsen and Dixie Walter declined comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from the June 24, 2019 Council Meeting
- B. Amended Minutes from the May 28, 2019 Council Meeting
- C. Payroll 26397 to 26400 \$ 67,254.00
- D. Claims 38278 to 38311 \$ 113,725.31

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

- a. **Fire Report-** Chief Galey congratulated the Town, Chamber of Commerce and the Police Department for a successful July 3rd and 4th, gave a report on injuries that were treated and updated Council on facilities and maintenance improvements. He also urged everyone to be safe with fire due to the dry conditions and low water tables.
- b. **Public Works Report** – Town Administrator Gribi informed Council that union negotiations will start on July 15th and that the SR161 phase 2 project has made the final list of projects and the final vote will take place on September 28th.
- c. **Airport Committee-** Councilmember Thomas announced that there was no one in attendance at the June 27th Airport Committee meeting and that the item for

discussion would have been the financial economic development as it relates to the airport. He handed out a letter proposing changes to the Eatonville 2015 Comprehensive Management Plan.

- d. **Mayor Report-** Mayor Schaub thanked the Wastewater employees for receiving the Outstanding Performance award for the 18th year in a row, thanked the Chamber of Commerce, Police, Fire and CERT for all their work during the July 3rd and 4th activities and announced that he attended the AWC Annual Conference where they had good sessions.

DISCUSSION - SCOPE OF WORK FOR TREE REMOVAL AT GLACIER VIEW PARK

Mayor Schaub announced this topic is from previous discussions and stated that the only item currently budgeted is the thinning of trees along the fence line between the park and the cemetery. Tonight's discussion is to talk to Council about the scope of work they want the Town to look at. Previous discussions included expanding the use of the park to allow more open field space for activities. He stated that there would be much more planning to be done before moving forward with any additional projects. Council discussed uses of and the removal of trees at Glacier Park. Mayor Schaub stated that the Town will get bids on thinning selective trees on the fence line between Glacier Park and the cemetery and will bring it before the Town Council for approval.

The Council voted to allow Citizen Glo Lowe to speak. She stated that she was born in 1979 and is not a member of AARP and stated that kids play soccer on fields at Weyerhaeuser School.

2018 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW AND PRESENTATION

Town Clerk, Kathy Linnemeyer presented the 2018 Annual Financial Report to the Town Council. The presentation explained the information in each schedule and how the information in the Annual Financial Report is verified during the audit process.

DISCUSSION REGARDING LAWS AND USE OF THE SKATE PARK

Councilmember Dunn explained that he wants to temporarily allow bikes, scooters and inline skates in the skate park and re-evaluate afterwards to determine if they should be permanently allowed.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to temporarily suspend the portions of the Eatonville Municipal Code and any other relevant regulations that prohibit the use of bicycles, scooters and inline skates in the skate bowl for a period of time beginning August 1, 2019 and ending on September 30, 2019 and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. All were in favor.

DISCUSSION REGARDING CONSULTING WITH A PUMP TRACK CONSULTANT

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to authorize and direct town staff to consult with American Ramp Company for an amount not exceeding \$7,500 for the purpose to determine the feasibility of building a pump track within town limits and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. The motion passed with Councilmember Walter voting no.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember McFadden thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Councilmember Dunn stated that the meeting was an excellent example of community involvement and that it's important for people to get information from the source. He also stated that people who say they can't attend meetings don't make the time to attend.

Councilmember Walter thanked the citizens for attending the meeting and said he would love to see people attend the committee meetings. He also stated that we need to find ways to enforce the code that prohibits illegal fireworks and asked about changes to National Night Out this year.

Councilmember Thomas stated that lack of public engagement does not equal a lack of Council transparency.

Councilmember Hannah thanked everyone for attending the meeting and announced that minutes and audio for the meetings and monthly meeting schedules are available on the Town of Eatonville website.

ADJOURNMENT

With all business completed, Mayor Schaub adjourned the meeting at 8:56 PM.

Mike Schaub, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Linnemeyer, Town Clerk