

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

TIME: 7:00 PM

DATE: April 23, 2018

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 Bill Dunn, Bob Walter, Bob Thomas and Jennie Hannah.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to excuse Councilmember Schrimpsheer and was seconded by Councilmember Walter. All were in favor.

Also Present: Town Administrator Abby Gribi, Town Clerk Kathy Linnemeyer, Assistant Fire Chief Trent Turner and Police Chief Brian Witt.

OPENING CEREMONIES

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/SET TIME RESTRICTIONS

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

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Citizen Dan Mulkey stated that he isn't sure what the Airport Commission Discussion is about and would like to see Commission meetings held monthly. He has draft information prepared to address school safety and Coaches running around the Airport with the athletes that he will get to Abby to review. He also thanked the Town for placing the signs at the Airport.

Citizen Rick Adams thanked the Town for placing the signs at the Airport and requested to hold his comment until during or after the Airport Commission discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from the April 9, 2018 Council Meeting
- B. Payroll 26193 to 26201 \$ 76,695.90
- C. Claims 37224 to 37258 \$ 214,709.83

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

- a. **Police Report-** Police Chief Witt announced that Gaille will be out of the office for the next two weeks, gave an update on training for the Department, announced that the Lexipol Policy is complete and issued to all officers and announced that he attended the July 3rd and 4th planning committee with Officer McGuire.
- b. **Public Works Report-** Town Administrator Abby Gribi informed Council that the flat work for the 161 project is almost complete and that paving will happen tomorrow, the poles and signals will go up after July 4th, announced that the AWC Annual Conference will be held June 26-29th in Yakima and asked if any Councilmembers would like to attend to please let herself or Kathy Linnemeyer know. She also explained that she won a 1 year subscription to SaveYour.Town, a website that gives practical steps to shape a brighter future for small towns.
- c. **Finance Committee-** Councilmember Hannah reported that the Finance Committee met on April 18th and discussed a request from the Pierce County Sheriff's Department for a 3% increase to the contract for Police Chief Services, discussed implementing a rate for renting the kitchen only at the Community Center and the quotes for the Town Hall ADA project.
- d. **Public Utilities Committee-** Councilmember Hannah reported that the Public Utilities Committee met on April 18th and discussed a second interview for the Water/Wastewater position, Electric Department installing lighting at the Community Center to help with safety, discussed a water rate increase and implementation of a sewage informational program.
- e. **Lodging Tax Advisory Committee-** Councilmember Dunn reported that the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee met on April 20th with the new Committee members and finalized the application, set the deadline for submitting requests and how to advertise and draw people from 50 miles away. Another meeting date will be set to review applications once they have been submitted.

DISCUSSION- AIRPORT COMMISSION

Mayor Schaub informed Council that, a couple meetings ago, Councilmember Schrimpscher suggested that we have an Airport Committee as a standing committee and no longer have an Airport Commission and that he feels having Councilmembers on an active committee will be better suited for the Town. After Council discussion, Council members agreed that if the Airport Commission is subject to the Open Public Meetings Act, having a Council Airport Committee would better serve the Town and would allow the current Commission members to still participate as citizens without having to worry about quorums at meetings or violating the Open Public Meeting Act. Town Staff will move forward with an Ordinance to remove the Airport Commission from Eatonville Municipal Code.

Citizen Rick Adams stated that we are playing catch up on the Airport and that we need an Airport Management Plan. He would like to see the Chamber help to develop an Economic Plan for the airport. He also stated that decisions need to be made with safety and the future in mind and that he can see this as a hub and that the Airport needs to be a part of the Community. He feels that we can get by without an Airport Commission at this time but would like to see if the Town could get two more citizens on the commission and stated that the Town may not own land around the Airport but could benefit from the Airport.

Councilmember Thomas made a motion to reinstate the Airport Committee and was seconded by Councilmember Dunn. All were in favor.

Councilmember Walter made a motion to nominate Councilmember Thomas as Chair of the Airport Committee and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

Councilmember Thomas made a motion to nominate Councilmember Walter to the Airport Committee and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Hannah thanked Chief Witt for all that he does and thanked Mr. Adams and Mr. Mulkey for their work on the Airport Commission.

Councilmember Thomas said, now that the Comp Plan is done, it's time to get ideas proposed. He thanked Council for reinstating the Airport Committee and feels that it will help set the Town up for success with the Airport.

Councilmember Walter thanked Town Staff for the mowing and edging near the cabin at Mill Pond Park.

Councilmember Dunn shared that there was a discussion at the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting about funding for the flower baskets in town and that the Chamber is having a hard time getting funding for them. He stated that as we go forward maybe the Town can help with the costs and he hopes that having the baskets in Town is not lost due to lack of community support.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Dunn moved to adjourn and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor. Mayor Schaub adjourned the meeting at 7:59 PM.

Mike Schaub, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Linnemeyer, Town Clerk