

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

TIME: 7:00 PM

DATE: January 8, 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 James Schrimpsheer, Bob Walter, Bob Thomas and Jennie Hannah.

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

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

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Schaub 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/SET TIME RESTRICTIONS

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

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Citizen David Craig spoke for his daughter Lakota Craig, who is a minor. He informed Council that Lakota is on the Special Olympics team and has brought a medal to Eatonville, and that the Special Olympics Team and Coaches do an outstanding job in Eatonville.

Citizen David Craig informed Council that his daughter, Lakota, has Williams Syndrome and has extreme sensitivity to noise and light. She was put on medication that helped her, but came with side effects, that caused her kidneys to stop working. She was taken off of the medication and was one of the first juveniles to receive medical marijuana. The medical marijuana was very effective. He spoke in favor of allowing marijuana businesses in the Town of Eatonville.

Citizen Daniel Adams asked if the Council goes into details on the expenses on the Consent Agenda and asked for the status of his Planning Commission application that he submitted.

Citizen Tim Fobes stated that he has witnessed Lakota Craig grow up and has witnessed the improvement in her medical problems due to receiving medical marijuana. He feels that she wouldn't be where she is today without it.

Citizen Dixie Walter handed Council a survey by CBS that shows that over 70% of doctors approve of the use of medical marijuana. She informed Council that she had an experience over 30 years ago with marijuana use before it was legal. She stated that her sister was fighting cancer and sick due to the effects of Chemo and that marijuana relieved her symptoms and she was able to eat.

Citizen Roni Johnson wanted to address statements that she feels are unfounded from comments made at the December 11, 2017 Council Meeting. She said that money and greed are what made marijuana evil, stated that people entering a pot store are immediately carded and that the biggest group of people purchasing items are senior citizens, that she doesn't believe that marijuana is a gateway drug and that she is against not having a store in Eatonville.

CONSENT AGENDA

A.	Minutes from the December 11, 2017 Council Meeting		
B.	Payroll	26121 to 26132	\$ 80,850.34
C.	Payroll	26133 to 26139	\$ 76,880.08
D.	Claims	36932 to 36971	\$ 206,241.84
E.	Claims	36972 to 36980	\$ 78,048.25

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 gave a report of the 2017 call statistics for the Police Department and announced that the Department is doing a great job in writing reports for all calls. He also reported that the Department has made 2 juvenile arrests for a recent burglary and that one of the juveniles has been arrested 3 times for burglaries in Town. Chief Witt is working to seek help for an individual in Town who is repeatedly calling the Police Department and that an agency is coming to Eatonville to follow up and get her the help that she needs. He also announced that Pierce County Deputy Daniel McCartney was shot in the line of duty and that the Eatonville Police Department has offered to assist and will do everything that they can to help their neighbors downstairs.
- b. **Fire Report-** Chief Galey reviewed the December monthly report, announced that the Eatonville station was staffed 67% of the time in December and that he is looking for that number to go up, they have new volunteers going to the academy and 2 of them are from Eatonville, they are applying for a grant to purchase equipment and that the Town Hall public meeting was well attended with a lot of questions.

- c. **Public Works Report-** Town Administrator Abby Gribi reported that the Rimrock Conditional Use Permit has been approved by Pierce County, that she will be attending the AWC City Action Days with Councilmember Schrimpsher, she is working with an abatement company to schedule the kitchen repairs at Glacier Park and that the Public Works Department is looking at a new salt spreader tomorrow.
- d. **Mayor Report-** Mayor Schaub read the Town's Facebook status expressing thoughts and prayers in the death of Pierce County Deputy, Daniel McCartney, announced that the Pierce County Regional Council General Assembly is February 15th and is open to all Councilmembers and Staff. In response to Daniel Adams public comment, the mayor explained that the Town will be accepting applications for Planning Commission through January 19, 2018 and then they will be reviewed and an appointment made and that the Claims are available for Councilmembers to review and ask questions about and that we encourage them to call Town Hall during business hours so that their questions can be answered. Mayor Schaub also gave a summary of findings that involve the easements of Swanson Field and explained that the Town of Eatonville was given easements for the two parcels that are owned by Landings at Mt. Rainier, LLC from Weyerhaeuser to operate an airport and that no lease agreement is necessary to continue to operate Swanson Field as a Municipal airport in Eatonville.

2018 PERMANENT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilmember Schrimpsher made a motion to nominate Councilmember Dunn as the Chair of the Public Safety Committee and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor.

Councilmember Walter made a motion to nominate Councilmember Schrimpsher to the Public Safety Committee and was seconded by Councilmember Thomas. All were in favor.

FINANCE/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

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

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

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

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

Councilmember Hannah made a motion to nominate Councilmember Thomas to the Public Utilities Committee and was seconded by Councilmember Schrimpsher. All were in favor.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

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

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

PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Councilmember Hannah made a motion to nominate Councilmember Schrimpsheer to the PSRC and Councilmember Dunn as alternate and was seconded by Councilmember Thomas. All were in favor.

ORDINANCE 2018-1 First Reading

An Ordinance of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, adopting a new chapter 18.12 of the Eatonville Municipal Code to prohibit the siting, establishment, and operation of any structures, property, or land uses relating to recreational marijuana production, processing, or sale; and amending Chapter 5.04 of the Eatonville Municipal Code to prohibit the issuance of a Town business license for uses relating to recreational marijuana production, processing, or sale.

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

Councilmember Schrimpsheer made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2018-1 and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. The motion passed with Councilmember Walter voting no.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Schrimpsheer requested a moment of silence for fallen deputy, Daniel McCartney.

Councilmember Walter thanked the citizens in the audience for their comments and for coming to the meeting.

Councilmember Thomas stated that he attended the Fire Department, Town Hall meeting and that there was good feedback. He also stated that he felt that the Fire Department employees outnumbered the citizens who were in attendance and that the comments were creative ways to tax the citizens in Eatonville. He feels that the Town should be looking at ways to create more revenue bringing more money to the community.

Councilmember Hannah thanked everyone in the audience for coming to the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Schrimpsher moved to adjourn and was seconded by Councilmember Hannah. All were in favor. Mayor Schaub adjourned the meeting at 8:51 PM.

Mike Schaub, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Linnemeyer, Town Clerk