

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 19, 2013

Senior Center, 411 Main Ave. S., North Bend, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor Hearing called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Cook, Gothelf, Kolodejchuk, Loudenback, Pettersen and Williamson. Councilmember Rosen was excused.

Mayor Hearing announced agenda items AB13-017 – Resolution Accepting Boalch Ave NW Reconstruction Project as Complete and AB13-018 – Resolution Accepting Pickett Ave NE Reconstruction Project as Complete would be pulled from tonight’s consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – Council Meeting of February 5, 2013

Payroll – February 5, 2013 – 26865 through 26871, in the amount of **\$133,552.70**

Checks – February 19, 2013 – 57749 through 57815, in the amount of **\$1,070,572.83**

AB13-011 – Ordinance 1480 Adopting NBMC 5.04.095 RE B&O Waiver on City Sponsored Events

AB13-012 – Motion Authorizing Early Pay-off of PWTF Loan for Sewer Lab

AB13-013 – Resolution 1611 KC Grant for Tollgate Farm East Bookend Weed Removal PH 2

AB13-014 – Motion Authorizing Work Order with G&O for Design of 415th Water Line Project

AB13-015 – Motion Authorizing Supplement to MTC, Inc. Contract for Testing/Inspection

AB13-016 – Motion Authorizing Supplement 2 to WH Pacific Contract for Project Administration

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Williamson to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion **PASSED** 5-1 (Kolodejchuk).

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

Presentation – King County Sheriff’s Office Citizen Recognition

King County Sheriff John Urquhart introduced himself and stated the King County Sheriff’s Office K-9 program was an important part of their organization and when one of the K-9 partner dogs die they hold a memorial service and inter the remains at certain locations, among them Precinct 2 in Kenmore. Recently Precinct 2 was closed and the Sheriff’s Office decided to relocate the remains to their new communications center in Renton and was in need of volunteers that had the necessary equipment to provide assistance in excavation. Sheriff Urquhart explained that Councilmember Ryan Kolodejchuk, who owned an excavation company, volunteered his time to help in the effort which involved many hours of labor intensive work removing the remains and headstones for relocation to Renton.

He presented Councilmember Kolodejchuk with a plaque honoring his work on the project and thanked him for his efforts on behalf of KCSO.

Councilmember Kolodejchuk expressed his surprise and delight at being recognized for his volunteerism and commented he was happy to help them with this project. He thanked the KCSO for their recognition and requested they contact him if they ever needed his assistance again.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community & Economic Development Director Estep stated the February 27th Parks Commission meeting had been cancelled.

Community & Economic Development Director Estep noted the next Economic Development Commission meeting was scheduled for Thursday, February 28th at 7:45 a.m.

Community & Economic Development Director Estep reported the Planning Commission had met on February 14th to discuss an amendment to the Capital Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan related to review of the Snoqualmie Valley School Districts Capital Plan and an amendment to NBMC related to size and high restrictions for accessory structures on lots of $\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre or larger.

Public Works Director Page announced the roof of the new fire station was close to completion and drywall was currently being installed in the interior. He added the contractor was working on the finish of the cement floor and roadwork along Maloney Grove, including curb and gutter and paving, would be taking place today and into next week.

Councilmember Pettersen noted the Community & Economic Development Committee met earlier in the day to discuss an Eagle Scout bus shelter project proposal, cottage housing zoning, and development and permitting activity.

Councilmember Gothelf reported the Finance & Administration Committee had met on February 5th to discuss an Eagle Scout bus shelter project proposal, civic center funding, a profession service agreement with Ron Garrow, bi-annual audits, business license and business and occupation tax exemptions for City sponsored events, .01% levy for public safety, fire siren user agreement, ILA amendment with Si View MPD, early pay-off of a Public Works Trust Fund loan for the sewer lab, and filling the Public Works Project Manager/Engineer position.

Councilmember Loudenback stated at the February 12th meeting of the Public Health & Safety Committee they discussed a contract with KCSO for fire investigation services, Eastside Fire & Rescue funding formula change, adoption of state chain requirements, increases in parking ticket charges, signage along North Bend Way banning truck parking,

.01% levy option for public safety funding, and an amendment to the King County Solid Waste ILA.

Councilmember Kolodejchuk noted the Transportation & Public Works Committee had met on January 16th to discuss 2012 severe weather grants, Boalch and Pickett project close-outs, capital projects, development review standards, snow removal policy, emergency management center, and the fire station walkthrough.

At the February 13th meeting the committee discussed professional service agreements, Boalch and Pickett project close-outs, fire station change orders and connectivity between development discussions.

He noted the Committee's meeting schedule had been changed to the second Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the Public Works facility.

Mayor Pro Tem Cook announced the February 26th Workstudy had been cancelled and that Council would hold a Special Workstudy directly following tonight's meeting.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Kolodejchuk thanked the KCSO for their recognition of his volunteer efforts and spoke briefly about the details of the project.

Community & Economic Development Director Estep announced many of the upcoming summer events including the Downtown Block Party and Adventure Sport Festival were in need of volunteers. Those interested were encouraged to contact her at the Community & Economic Development Department.

Mayor Hearing reported recently a group of approximately 40 of the 240 Mayors in the state signed a letter to the Washington State Legislator that recommended tax increases to pay for transportation funding which encompassed the following:

- 1) Eight cent per gallon gas tax increase (65% goes to State for highway and ferries and 35% to counties/cities for local transportation funds).
- 2) A Motor Vehicle Excise Tax option of up to 1.5% that counties could enact either by councilmanic action or public vote (60% for METRO and 40% to County roads & to cities based upon population).
- 3) Expand from \$20 to \$40 the vehicle license fee (VLF) that can be enacted through public vote or councilmanic action.

He noted he was asked to sign the letter and declined. Councilmember Loudonback attended the Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee and raised concerns about these proposed tax increases, particularly that the majority of the new tax revenues would be paid to the State and counties and very little would be available to local jurisdictions to solve local road problems. SCA projected if this package passed,

this would produce approximately \$168,000 in annual revenue to North Bend. Mayor Hearing noted if the requested 1 percent optional gas tax for cities had been allowed it would have generated over \$400,000 for North Bend.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Pettersen. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Kenneth G. Hearing, Mayor

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk