

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

April 22, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

- i. Mayor calls meeting to order at 7 PM

II. ROLL CALL

1. Gary Willis - Present
2. Kerry Frable - Present
3. Billie Burtenshaw - Present
4. Reed Rankin - Present
5. Neil Comeau - Present
6. Dan Rankin - Present
7. Dianne Allen - Absent
8. Ivy Langston - Present

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- i. Neil motions to approve the Agenda. Gary seconds. All in favor. Motion is carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- i. Gary asks about new business on paragraph 1. "Neil motions to table item, Gary seconds"
- ii. Gary motions to approve amended April 14, 2021 minutes; Neil seconds; All in favor. Motion is carried.

V. CLOSE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- i. Dan closes regular council meeting at 7:05.

VI. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING MEETING – Annexation of property south of Squire Creek Road and West of Stillaguamish Avenue

- i. Jake states that this property is in the GMA and has water service from Town of Darrington as of now. Kristin states everyone on planning commission seemed approving of this annexation. Gary states that all but one owner signed the paperwork and asked why. Jake stated they just never were able to get together for that signature. He has already reached 60% approval from the landowners in the proposed annexation area, so he's able to move forward.

VII. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING

- i. Dan closes the public hearing at 7:10

VIII. OPEN REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- i. Dan opens the regular meeting at 7:11.

IX. CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Council to accept annexation paper work and to go further with process
 - i. Gary asks if Jake knows how many houses and when he will be building. Jake answers he isn't sure yet, he wants to do some short subdivision first.
 - ii. Neil motions to accept annexation paperwork and to go further with annexation process. Billie seconds. All in favor. Motion is carried.

2. 4th of July parade – Fire Department, Sno Co. Health District
 - i. On Wednesday there was an update with the county executives, tribal leadership, and Snohomish County mayors. No one is going to have a parade. To have people social distance is not logistically possible. Mill Creek is going to do a reverse parade where all the parade attendees line up on the parking mediums, and the audience drives by in their cars. Dan ran it by the fire department, and it seems like a very large undertaking so they are thinking they are maybe going to do the same kind of parade as last year where people were in their yards and the parade made rounds around town. Neil asks if we can wait until it's closer to decide or if we need to decide now. Gary thinks we shouldn't wait too long. Reed asks who is technically in charge of the parade. Dan says city council has always selected grand marshals and provided support. The fire department runs the parade, and the grange runs the Old School Park festivities. Gary states the town always has to approve closing of Darrington Street for our normal parades. Dan said we can push this out until May, and wait to hear from the fire department. Dan doesn't see the grange doing Old School Park but we will continue to reach out.
 - ii. Neil motions to table this conversation. Kerry seconds. All in favor. Motion is carried.

3. 4th of July parade grand marshal – Sheila, Kevin, Randy, Ivone Ashe
 - i. Gary motions for the Ashes to be grand marshals. Billie seconds. All in favor. Motion is carried.

4. 4th of July activities in Old School Park – Mansford Grange, Family Support Center, Sno. Co. Health District
 - i. We haven't been in contact with the Grange, and will continue to outreach.

5. 4th of July firework – Fire Department, Pyro Spectaculars, Sno Co Health District
 - i. We have contacted Pyro Spectaculars. They have a huge rush from all over. They are going to see if they can come to Darrington, but we haven't heard back yet. If we can get a slot, do we want to go forward with a show. Gary asks if we fall back into Phase 2, will it change anything. Dan said we would have to encourage folks not to congregate and social distance, but he believes nothing will change. Kerry asks if it'll be encouraging people in their cars.

Dan says it's more like sticking to one's household. Dan says we can wait for a decision since we aren't sure if we will have a pyro to provide a show.

- ii. Gary asks if we've heard from the internet outfit. Dan says we haven't heard anything. Gary also asks if we are on time with the CLT project. Dan says if anyone wants to come into the office, the timeline is on our whiteboard. The engineers have 60 days to put all the civil engineering together, and get it back to our project manager and our crew. That's around mid-June and that bid package should be done and ready to go. The EDA has 6 weeks to review that document. That puts us at the end of August. We would like to start work early to mid-September. Dan explains the rest of the timeline. The final piece of civil is seeing where the road will go. We still need to conduct some environmental studies.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Stronger Together Art

- i. This has been cancelled. There will still be an event May 15th and 16th. The City of Arlington and the Town of Darrington have been involved. It is a virtual tour.

XI. MAYOR'S REPORT

- i. On Tuesday we had a full crew meeting. It went well. Ivy is helping with the Stronger Together event, and she has been updating the Destination Darrington website. Kerry asks we can get an email with an agenda of Public Works plans. One of their biggest plans is starting the project with the donated logging equipment. Someone will also be showing the guys how to fix cracks at the park. Cadin is also working on a potential paved pump track, next to the dirt track, which will also be revamped. We are looking into getting a bicycle repair station, and a water refill station if we receive enough funding. Gary asks if we will get the help from the inmates this year, and Dan says we will have them.

XII. COUNCIL/BOARD/COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

- i. Gary wants to know the next step for the annexation. It's basically paperwork and goes to a shot plat form. We have to get our paperwork to the county and to the boundary review board, then it bounces back to the planning commission.

XIII. VISITORS

- i. Kristin Lavelle and Jake Cumming are present. No Comments.

XIV. ADJOURN

- i. Gary motions to adjourn April 22, 2021 Town Council Meeting at 7:51 PM; Neil seconds; all in favor; motion carried.

Dan O. Rankin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianne Allen, Clerk/Treasurer