

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

DECEMBER 8, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor calls meeting to order at 7 PM

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- i. Kerry makes motion to approve agenda, Billie seconds; All in favor. Motion is carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- i. Gary motions to approve November 10, 2021 minutes; Kerry seconds; All in favor. Motion is carried.

V. GUEST SPEAKERS

- i. 5-minute presentation from Planning Commission applicants:
 - i. Aida Miller-previous experience in government, interned for Skagit Co, tech reading/writing, born in Darrington
 - ii. Christina Wegner-emailed, mayor read, 2020 moved to Darrington with family, connect to history to plan future
 - iii. Don Martinson-choices of past and today affect the future, wants to be part of decision-making process

Gary would like Aida, is a local, Billie agrees, vote chooses Aida and Christina

VI. CONTINUED BUSINESS

Planning commission, mayor motions to amend to include planning member appointment

Gary motions Reed seconds, motion carried

Neil 1st Billie 2nd, motion carried

Community center fire marshal says remove tarp from hallway, put doorway by concession stand, mayor donated lumber, Evan Craig built, Gary expresses thanks, building inspector needs to approve

Gary asks about gutter repair on Comm center, funds available in Capital funds

VII. NEW BUSINESS-DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

- i. Interlocal agreement with Snohomish County for municipal road and street services within the Town limits – changes to Town from City on sign?
 - i. Neil motions to approve the Interlocal agreement with Snohomish County for Road and Street Services and for the mayor to sign. Gary seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.
- ii. Contract with Snohomish Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County for power to the Darrington Wood Innovation Center Project site. - Temporary power to site, reimbursed to Town through grants, underground power necessary because of the airport.
 - i. Kerry motions to approve the contract with Snohomish Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County for power to the Darrington Wood Innovation Center project site and for the mayor to sign. Neil seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

VIII. CLOSE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – 7:35pm

IX. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING – 2022 Annual Budget – proposed budget to start 2022, final not until February of 2022.

Kirrsti has questions about funding for the cemetery, is other monies available. Dianne explains where cemetery profits come from. Strickland endowment fund for flowers annually for family plots. Prisoners for landscaping. Kirrsti requests that budget not approved until clarity given on how funding is applied to different commissions. Feels that cemetery is not getting the consideration it deserves. Dianne explains 5-year average used to establish next year budget. Mayor states that Council would support commission efforts to obtain funding elsewhere. Kirrsti says talking with Arlington about how they function. Jim asks about State grant board for cemetery, timber dollars for cemetery districts. New information the mayor has. Dianne discusses section & row marker updates for cemetery. Kirrsti would like to not raise the budget for the year.

X. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING 8:09pm

XI. OPEN REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 8:09pm

XII. APPROVAL OF 2022 ANNUAL BUDGET – ORDINANCE 766 & 767

- i. Kerry Motion to approve Neil seconds. All in favor. Motion carried 2022 Annual Budget Ordinance No. 766 & 767 and for the mayor to sign
- ii. Landfill closing, annual reports never done. Estimate for the report approximately \$30,000 annually. Water testing being done annually. Data is being gathered but requires an engineering firm to write the report. Gary inquires about wood waste collection at Hampton this year.
- iii. Kerry asks about money received for logging equipment, where does funding go.
- iv. Gary asks about DJAA assisting with County Parks. Budget has planned for two prisoners to work this summer.

XIII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mod Pro CLP modules being built and will fasten together this week, demonstration model for any who are interested in seeing. Completed project can be viewed in January. Working on bid package, meeting with engineers on Friday.

XIV. COUNCIL/BOARD/COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

Gary reports on Comm center bazaar. Money made but went straight to pay for septic issues. Second tank located and will need to be pumped.

XV. VISITORS

Kirrsti says the end of her road is submerged and draining into neighbor's yard, any plans for Seeman St road work.

XVI. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE APPROVAL

i. Accounts Payable/Monthly Payments

- i. Gary motions to approve accounts payable payments. Kerry seconds. All in favor. Motion is carried.

XVII. ADJOURN

Kerry motions to adjourn December 08, 2021 Town Council Meeting at 8:57PM; Gary seconds; all in favor; motion carried.

Dan O. Rankin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianne Allen, Clerk/Treasurer