

# TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

## MINUTES

JANUARY 10, 2024

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Evan calls meeting to order at 7 PM

### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### III. OATH OF OFFICE

1. Daniel O. Rankin – Mayor
2. Billie Lee Burtenshaw – Position 3
3. Reed Rankin – Position 4
4. Gary Willis – Position 5

### IV. ROLL CALL

1. Evan Craig - Present
2. Julie Ford - Present
3. Billie Burtenshaw - Present
4. Reed Rankin - Present
5. Gary Willis - Present
6. Dan Rankin - Present
7. Dianne Davis - Present

### V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- i. – Julie motions to approve the agenda. – Evan seconds. All in favor. Motion carried

### VI. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- i. – Gary motions to approve December 13, 2023, minutes; - Billie seconds; All in favor; Motion carried.

### VII. CLOSE REGULAR MEETING - 7:21 PM

### VIII. OPEN EXECUTIVE MEETING – 7:22 PM

### IX. CLOSE EXECUTIVE MEETING – 7:47 PM

### X. OPEN REGULAR MEETING – 7:48 PM

### XI. CONTINUED BUSINESS – DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe – Cooperative Agreement - Compensation in lieu of property taxes

- i. – Billie motions to approve the Cooperative Agreement with the Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe and for the mayor to sign. – Julie seconds; All in favor; Motion carried

Gary asks about High Mountain development status. Need SEPA and another thing for preliminary short plat.

Reed inquires about the concrete work at the skate park.

## XII. NEW BUSINESS-DISCUSSION ITEM(s)

Billie proposes to give Mark & Clint an additional \$2 per hour raise each. Dan asks Dianne about the budget. Dianne hands out a breakdown of hours and pay rates for all employees. After continued discussion, a recommendation was made to readjust the budget to accommodate a \$1 per hour raise for both Marc & Clint.

## XIII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Has been working with corp. C Rec in Whatcom County, working to help with childcare licensing, co-op with industries to make care available in rural areas. Wilderness Society wants to hire a landscape architect firm for Sauk River Park for rural outreach. He and Joel met with DEM about what hotspots are of concern for the town.

Met with Commerce about \$1.6 grant for DWIC infrastructure. Forterra will secure clean air permits (?) so project can move forward this spring.

Per DEM, snow is moving south, decreasing the chance of snow in town but temps will drop.

## XIV. COUNCIL/BOARD/COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

Dianne reminds Reed about the Transportation meeting.

## XV. VISITORS

Josh Gibson reports on Cub Scouts first meeting last week, K-5. A couple of parents have shown interest in helping. Could possibly expand out to Boy Scouts next year. Asks to put temporary Cub Scout signs around town. Dan shares that per municipal code, a permit is not required for temporary signs, just keep them on right-of-way in public spaces.

## XVI. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE APPROVAL

- i. – Reed motions to approve accounts payable payments. – Billie seconds. All in favor. Motion is carried.

## XVII. ADJOURN

- Julie motions to adjourn January 10, 2024, Town Council Meeting at 8:40 PM; - Billie seconds; all in favor; motion carried.

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Dan O. Rankin, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Dianne Davis, Clerk-Treasurer