

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Special Meeting of January 10, 2022
Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Benson called the special meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and led us all in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Stallard, Smith, Mulvihill, de Leon, Page.

ABSENT: Councilmember O'Donnell (excused)

Staff present: David Linehan, City Attorney; and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Pro-Tem Deady welcomed everyone and stated what tonight's special meeting was on as Mayor Benson was experiencing technical difficulty.

1) Potential Action Regarding Pending Litigation, *Koler et al. v. City of Black Diamond*

Councilmember Deady stated that she understands Mayor Benson is facing a decision on how to proceed with the Koler vs. City of Black Diamond lawsuit following the recent court of appeals decision that went against the city. She noted wanting to express her views on what to do next and stated she hopes the Council will join her.

Councilmember Deady **moved** that Council offers its full support to Mayor Benson in filing a request for discretionary review in the Washington Supreme Court; **second** Councilmember Mulvihill. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor 6-0.

Mayor Benson thanked all Councilmembers for supporting her in this important lawsuit.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0).

The meeting ended at 6:37 p.m.

ATTEST:



Carol Benson, Mayor



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk