

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Meeting of February 16, 2023
Hybrid Meeting Via Zoom and In-Person
Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Benson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led us all in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Deady, Douglass, Smith, Mulvihill, de Leon, Page

ABSENT: None

Staff present: Mona Davis, Community Development Director; Scott Hanis, Public Works Director; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief; Commander Martinez: Rob Reed, IS Manager; Jake Kapsandy, IT Department; and Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager.

READING OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES

AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Geoff Bowie, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Craig Kjos, Black Diamond Eagles spoke to Council.

Kristen Bryant, Bellevue spoke to Council.

APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Oath of Offices – Police Officers

Mayor Benson administered oath of offices to two of our new police officers Christopher Chi and Chase Goddard. She then administered oath of offices to the two Corporals Officers Mike Henrich and Bill Riepl

Presentation - Flock Safety

Hector Solman-Valdez of Flock Safety shared a presentation with Council on their product (cameras) and explained how they work and what they do and don't do.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Smith **moved** to adopt the Consent Agenda; **second** Councilmember de Leon. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0). The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

- 1) **Claim Checks** – February 16, 2023, Check No. 52580 through Check No.52646 and EFTs in the amount of \$312,342.46
- 2) **Payroll** – January 2023, Check No. 20269 through 20276 and ACHs in the amount of \$500,230.06
- 3) **Minutes** –Council Meeting of February 2, 2023
- 4) **AB23-009** – Resolution Authorizing Agreement Renewal for Office 365 Licensing

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 5) **AB23-010** – Resolution Authorizing Agreement for Purchase of Laserfiche Software from Canon

Information Services Manager Reed reported to Council on this item.

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 23-1535 authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with Canon to purchase the Document Management System Laserfiche; **second** Councilmember Mulvihill.

There was Council discussion.

Vote: Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0).

- 6) **AB23-011** – Resolution Updating the City's Fee Schedule

Community Development Director Davis discussed this item with Council.

Councilmember Page **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 23-1536, amending the City's 2023 Fee Schedule; **second** Councilmember de Leon. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0-).

- 7) **AB23-012** – Ordinance Amending Black Diamond Municipal code Title 156 Chapter 15.04

Councilmember de Leon **moved** to adopt Ordinance No. 23-1191, amending Chapter 15.04 Technical Codes, providing for severability, and establishing an effective date; **second** Councilmember Page. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0).

8) Discussion Regarding Black Diamond Eagles Needed Funding for Cooling Facility

Councilmember Deady led the discussion on this item with Councilmembers joining in on back-and-forth discussion with Mr. Kjos of the Black Diamond Eagles.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police – Commander Martinez presented and discussed with Council the department’s 2022 annual report.

Mayor Benson announced Mr. Williamson will be doing his annual report at the March 2nd meeting, and the Finance Director will be doing a progress report soon on the six-year forecast.

Fire – Chief Judkins reported it being an exciting time in their department. She announced that a retirement celebration for Chief Smith will take place on March 1st. She shared they are working through the fire marshal change and commented that the department is anxious to have a new deputy chief on board. She also commented that they are looking forward to hiring this spring and summer.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

Mayor Benson reported attending the SEAL TC meeting, she met with King County and the Fire Department on Fire Station 98 regarding annexation. She shared that she had applied for DEI cabinet with AWC, however she was not selected. She announced that there were three applicants for the vacant council position and interviews will take place at the March 9th work session. She also shared receiving an email from the Mayor of Mercer Island regarding HB 1110 and sending a letter opposing it.

Councilmembers took turns sharing their thoughts on HB 1110, with four supporting the letter opposing it.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Mulvihill reported attending a Sound Cities Association Caucus meeting, the Emergency Management Advisory Committee meeting, SCA presentation with Cedar Grove Compost regarding the new organics management law, the meeting on Station 98, and an EMAC meeting. She shared that kindness signs that have been placed around town and if people would like to order them to contact her. She reported on the Planning and Community Services and shared items that were discussed.

Councilmember de Leon reported attending the Finance Committee meeting and more will be forthcoming on a longer financial forecast. She brought up that she enjoyed working with GMP Consultants on finding a new Deputy Chief for the Fire Department.

Councilmember Page congratulated our new police officers and the promotions of the two officers to corporals. She reported attending the meeting on Fire Station 98 regarding annexation. She reminded everyone to keep an eye on neighbors next week as the temperatures are dropping. She shared a post she read on Facebook from a citizen in Black Diamond who witnessed a kind act by their house.

Councilmember Deady reported attending the SCA Deputy Mayor meeting, the fire station meeting, finance committee meeting, WRIA 9 meeting, special council meeting, and Planning and Community Services Committee meeting. She congratulated the two new officers and the promotion of the two officers to corporal.

Councilmember Douglass reported there being no committee meeting for him this week. He had the opportunity to meet with Director Davis and thanked her for educating him on what her department does. He thanked Councilmember Smith for his work on the levy.

Councilmember Smith shared Black Diamond's voter returns being low and encouraged people to take advantage and vote. He reported on the Finance Committee meeting and mentioned that the police department has free gun locks at their counter and if someone needs one to come get one. He shared his engagement with citizens.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Bill Bryant, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

Geoff Bowie, Black Diamond spoke to Council.

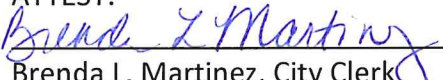
EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Deady **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Page. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0). The meeting ended at 10:02 p.m.



Carol Benson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk