

BLACK DIAMOND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Meeting of September 21, 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: Councilmember Jones (excused)

Staff present: Xavier Mason, Finance Director; Mona Davis, Community Development Director; Jamey Kiblinger, Police Chief, Scott Hanis, Public Works Director; Ryan Sweet, Capital Project/Program Manager; Andrew Williamson, MDRT/Ec Dev Director; David Linehan, City Attorney; Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk/HR Manager; Rob Reed, IS Manager; Jake Kapsandy, IT Staff.

READING OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES

AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation – Recovery Navigator

Chief Kiblinger introduced a service provider they use for mental health. Ryan Pacchiano, Outreach Navigator for Recovery Navigator shared their program with Council and discussed the services they provide for us and shared some success stories.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- 1) Claim Checks –** September 21, 2023, Check No. 53341 through Check No. 53503, and

EFTs in the amount of \$453,012.96.

- 2) **Payroll** – August 2023, Check No. 20332 through Check No. 20339 and ACHs in the amount of \$547,628.54
- 3) **Minutes** – Special Meeting of September 7, 2023, and Council Meeting of September 7, 2023
- 4) **AB23-048** – Resolution Authorizing Precision Concrete Cutting to Perform Sidewalk Maintenance
- 5) **AB23-049** – Resolution Authorizing Lake Defense Force to Remove Dead Aquatic Weed Mats
- 6) **AB23-050** – Resolution Accepting and Awarding Bid to Tony Lind Paving for Roberts Drive Shoulder Improvement Project

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 7) **AB23-051** – Discussion/Action Regarding Re+ Pledge.

Councilmember Page led the discussion on this item and shared she is in support of the Council signing on to this.

Councilmember Mulvihill **moved** to authorize the mayor to execute the Re+ Pledge acknowledging the City's support of King County's Re+ Program; **second** Councilmember de Leon. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0).

- 8) **AB23-052**– Discussion Regarding 2024 Legislative Agenda

Mayor Benson led the discussion on this agenda item and noted Council turning in ideas for our legislative agenda. She noted we haven't received SCA's or AWC's as they are still working on them and mentioned that the goal is to get ours adopted in November.

There was Council discussion.

- 9) **Discussion**– October Town Hall Meeting

Councilmember Deady led the discussion on this agenda item and shared having some sort of event and suggested the gym and have an ice cream social or have a business support this as a food vendor. She noted this will be less formal and the city might get more participants. There was continued discussion amongst Councilmembers on what this might look like.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire – Report Regarding Level of Service and Staffing Requirements

Chief Judkins shared with the Council a PowerPoint presentation which touched on the current interlocal agreement. She highlighted and addressed questions for Section 3.1, Fire Suppression Services, Section 3.3 Staffing Levels, Section 4 Payment of Services, Section 6 Fire Stations, Section 7 Equipment Apparatus, stations they provide services from, 2023 staffing levels, volunteers, minimum staffing, 2023 MVFR Operating Budget, 2023 cost breakdown for station 98, 2023 split to operate the three fire stations, 2024 proposed operating budget, station 99 outfitting and onboarding expenses, 2025 projected operating budget, and she touched on current response times.

There were Council questions/discussion.

MDRT – Director Williamson gave an update to Council on happenings with the SR 169 roundabout construction and the plan on the phases of the construction, he also shared information on the Visconsi North Commercial Site and planned businesses.

Councilmember Smith left the meeting at 9:04 p.m. and returned at 9:05 p.m.

Public Works – Director Hanis shared with Council on a traffic calming/speed summary regarding when calming devices are needed in the city. He explained that Public Works has set criteria to investigate requests for traffic calming devices or changing a speed limit and described how the process would work.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Benson announced that her report is in the packet material.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Public Works Committee Meeting Update – Report was included in packet material.

Finance Committee Meeting Update – Councilmember Deady reported on items discussed, possible utility rate increase, 10% of every dollar spent in Black Diamond comes back to the city on sales tax. Ten Trails is finishing up on their current plats.

Community Development Committee Meeting Update – Councilmember Mulvihill updated Council on items discussed during the meeting, public hearing on cannabis, cost versus income, land use element for the comp plan, climate planning grant, the grant for Ginder Creek was completed, and the Comp Plan Transportation Workshop is Tuesday, September 26th.

Councilmember Page left the meeting at 9:12 p.m. and returned at 9:14 p.m.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Mulvihill **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **second** Councilmember Deady. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (6-0). The meeting ended at 9:18 p.m.

ATTEST:

Carol Benson, Mayor

Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk