

BINGEN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

DRAFT – December 15, 2020

Meeting Via Teleconference

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Betty J Barnes at 7:03 pm. Council members present: Phil Jones, Ryan O'Connor, Catherine Kiewit, Isolde Schroder, Joseph O'Sullivan. Staff present: Deputy Clerk Dena Riggelman, City Attorney Christopher R Lanz, Audience: Leslie Naramore-WA Gorge Action Programs, Ruby Irving-Klickitat County Solid Waste.

Minutes of December 1, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

Council member Kiewit made a motion to table the minutes of the December 1, 2020 council meeting with corrections. Council member Schroder seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Mayor Barnes opened the public hearing.

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Council member Kiewit made a motion to approve Variance Application 2020-001 Schroder, granting a variance from the requirement a front yard setback must be twenty (20) feet *to fifteen (15) feet*, Bingen Municipal Code 17.20.040(G), based on special circumstances relating to the surroundings of the subject property, to provide it with use rights and privileges permitted to other properties in the vicinity and in the zone in which the subject property is located.

WA Gorge Action Programs Update

Leslie Naramore, The Executive Director for Washington Gorge Action Programs, gave a brief update on the Youth Center and said they really appreciate the donation that the City of Bingen provides.

Variance Application 2020-001 Schroder Final Decision

Council member Kiewit made a motion to approve Variance Decision 2020-001 Schroder, granting a variance for a variance from the from the requirement a front yard setback must be twenty (20) feet, *to a front yard setback of fifteen (15) feet*, Bingen Municipal Code 17.20.040(G), based on special circumstances relating to the surroundings of the subject property, to provide it with use rights and privileges permitted to other properties in the vicinity and in the zone in which the subject property is located. Council member O'Connor seconded the motion and it passed with the following votes: Kiewit – Aye, Jones – Aye, O'Connor – Aye, O'Sullivan – Aye, Schroder – Abstain.

Klickitat County Solid Waste

Ruby Irving from Klickitat County Solid Waste called into the meeting to let the council know that the draft for the solid waste management plan and can be reviewed on the Klickitat County Waste Website. Irving said she would like feedback on the plan.

Irving also said that with the new way of doing meetings through Zoom, that she can join every two months to update the council and get feedback.

2021 MSP Agreement- Radcomp

The council discussed the three options for IT services offered from Radcomp for 2021. The council wanted to talk with Radcomp before making a final decision.

Council member Kiewit made a motion to table choosing a plan from Radcomp until more information could be discovered and directed staff to plan for the Premium package with no SCADA for budget purposes.

Council member Jones seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Public Hearing- 2021 Draft Budget

Mayor Barnes opened the public hearing.

Mayor Barnes proposed to continue the hearing on December 21, 2020 at 7:00pm and noted a Final hearing was scheduled for December 22, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Barnes closed the public hearing.

Council member Kiewit made a motion to continue the 2021 draft budget hearing on December 21, 2020 at 7:00pm. Council member O'Connor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business

Proposed Resolution Declaring a Climate Emergency

Council member Kiewit made a motion to table the proposed Resolution Declaring a Climate Emergency until March 2021. Council member O'Connor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Land Use

Mayor Barnes scheduled a land use workshop on January 12, 2020.

Voucher Approval

Vouchers audited and certified as required by RCW 42.24.080 and expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090 as of this date December 15, 2020.

The council by unanimous vote does approve for payment the following list:

Payroll Checks 21974-21977, and Payroll EFT (Dated 12/15/2020) totaling \$26,149.17 General Fund - \$11,477.85, Street Fund - \$4,966.74, Water Fund - \$3,163.35, Sewer Fund - \$532.34, Treatment Plant Fund - \$6,008.89.

Motion: O'Connor Second: Schroder

Checks 21978-22000 dated 12/15/2020 and EFT (Dated 12/15/2020) totaling \$56,907.75. General Fund - \$12,032.36, Street Fund - \$1,710.30, Water Fund - \$2,502.31, Sewer Fund - \$644.11, Treatment Plant Fund - \$2,415.48, Water Capital Reserve Fund - \$15,188.24, Sewer Capital Reserve Fund - \$22,414.95.

Motion: Kiewit Second: Jones

The council adjourned at 8:24 pm.

City Clerk

Mayor