

## BINGEN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

May 6, 2014

The City Council attended a ribbon cutting at Daubenspeck Park at 6:00 p.m. for Phase 2 of the skatepark. Council members present: Betty Barnes, Catherine Kiewit, Sandi Dickey, Stephanie Porter, Izzy Schroder, Maria Perez, and Monica Lizama.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Betty J. Barnes at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Betty Barnes, Catherine Kiewit, Sandi Dickey, Stephanie Porter, Izzy Schroder, Maria Perez, Monica Lizama. City Administrator Jan Brending and City Attorney Chris Lanz were present. Audience: Tracy Wyckoff, Amber Marra, Micah Shapiro – Grindline Skateparks, Inc.

### **Approval of Meeting Minutes – April 15, 2014**

Corrections to the meeting minutes of the April 15, 2014 regular council meeting were noted as follows:

Page 1, 10<sup>th</sup> paragraph, 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence should read: “She said several businesses have volunteered to help maintain certain landscaping beds: Insitu, Chips, Los Reyes, Eagles, hats and Beneventi’s.”

Page 5, 9<sup>th</sup> paragraph, 6<sup>th</sup> sentence should read: “She said she feels the role of the proposed organization has changed as different presentations have been made.”

Sandi Dickey moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 15, 2014 as corrected. Izzy Schroder seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

### **Daubenspeck Park Skatepark Phase 2 – Acceptance as Complete**

Jan Brending provided a review of the project costs. She said Grindline Skateparks has provided a one-year guarantee on the project.

Betty Barnes said there are a couple of areas the city will watch.

The council discussed how retainage works and staff provided a review of the process for releasing retainage. Brending stated retainage is not held until after the one-year guarantee is over.

Catherine Kiewit moved to accept Phase 2 of the skatepark as complete. Stephanie Porter seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Betty Barnes thanked Micah Shapiro, Grindline Skateparks, for their work on the skatepark.

### **Bingen-White Salmon Police Department Update**

Tracy Wyckoff said the Bingen-White Salmon Police Department is sponsoring an officer memorial ceremony on May 15 at 11:00 a.m. at the Fireman’s Park in White Salmon.

Wyckoff said things are going good and that he is happy with how things are working.

The council and Wyckoff discussed what to do with bicycles that are found but never claimed. Amber Marra said she could put something in the newspaper about contacting the police department if a bicycle is lost or stolen.

Wyckoff said the drug take back was very successful and it will be done again in October.

### **Proposed Proclamation 2014-003, Declaring May 11-17, 2014 as National Police Week**

Betty Barnes said she will be signing Proclamation 2014-003, declaring May 11-17, 2014 as National Police Week.

### **Emergency Management Services District Board Position Appointment – Ned Kindler**

Betty Barnes said the three cities (Bingen, White Salmon and Goldendale) have agreed upon a candidate to be submitted to the Klickitat County Board of Commissioners for the city’s representation on the Emergency Management Services District Board. She said the cities have agreed upon Ned Kindler who was a long-term police chief with the City of White Salmon. Barnes said she feels he is qualified to serve on the EMS board.

Sandi Dickey and Maria Perez said they think he will do a good job.

Sandi Dickey moved submit Ned Kindler's name to the Klickitat County Board of Commissioners for the cities' representation on the Emergency Management Services District Board. Maria Perez seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

### **Draft Charter Franchise – Review and Discussion**

The council and staff discussed the draft franchise agreement and additional information that was provided.

Betty Barnes said she is interested in finding out if Charter Communications can provide emergency service notifications and how that would work in our area.

A revised draft franchise agreement with information about emergency service notifications will be presented at the next council meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report – March 2014**

Jan Brending presented the treasurer's report for March 2014.

Catherine Kiewit moved to accept the March 2014 treasurer's report. Izzy Schroder seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

### **Old Business**

#### ***Use of City Property by Food Cart Vendors***

Betty Barnes asked the council if they are still interested in discussing a process for use of city property by food cart vendors.

The council said yes and suggested submitting background information to them by the first meeting in June with a draft ordinance available at the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in June.

### **Mayor's Update and Council Comments**

#### ***Washington Tourism Alliance***

Betty Barnes noted that the Washington Tourism Alliance has agreed to make the changes to the maps on the Experience Washington website.

#### ***EDA Tour of Landfill***

Betty Barnes said the Klickitat County Economic Development Association went on a tour of the landfill which she found quite interesting. Barnes provided some information regarding the renewable energy generated by the landfill.

#### ***Catherine Kiewit***

Catherine Kiewit said she will be having her baby on May 21<sup>st</sup> and may have to miss a number of meetings depending on any complications. She said she will keep Betty Barnes and Jan Brending informed of her status.

#### ***Columbia Gorge Economic Development Coalition***

Betty Barnes said she and Jan Brending continue to follow the developments regarding the Columbia Gorge Economic Development Coalition. She said Jan Brending attended the Port Commission meeting this afternoon where another presentation was made.

#### ***Insitu Ribbon Cutting***

Betty Barnes said the ribbon cutting and open house for the new Insitu building will take place on June 12 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

#### ***Maria Perez***

Maria Perez said she will not be able to attend council meetings for the next two Tuesdays due to her summer class schedule.

#### ***Izzy Schroder***

Izzy Schroder said she will be absent from the June 3 council meeting.

The council discussed whether or not there will be a quorum for the June 3 council meeting. Jan Brending noted that she will also not be present at that meeting. The council agreed to discuss the issue at the May 20 meeting to determine whether the meeting will be cancelled.

#### ***Steuben Street Landscaping***

Sandi Dickey said she has purchased some landscape roses for the Steuben Street landscape beds.

***AWC Small Cities Connector***

Catherine Kiewit asked if the city could take advantage of some of the services offered by the Washington State Auditor’s Office as presented at the AWC Small Cities Connector.

Jan Brending said she will take a look at the information and see what would be most appropriate to the City of Bingen.

**Vouchers**

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 May 6, 2014. The council by unanimous vote does approve for payment the following list: checks 16693-16730 (dated 5/06/2014) totaling \$41839.39. General Fund – \$10243.70; Street - \$3382.42; Community Development - \$106.96; Park Construction & Maintenance - \$18116.80; Water - \$6495.04; Sewer - \$379.42; Treatment Plant - \$3115.05.

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 May 6, 2014. The council by unanimous vote does approve for payment the following list: checks 16691-16692 (dated 4/30/2014) totaling \$1380.42. General Fund – \$1380.42.

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 May 6, 2014. The council by unanimous vote does approve for payment the following list: EFT, payroll checks 16684-16690 (dated 4/30/2014) totaling \$21734.70. General Fund – \$9658.19; Street - \$3184.91; Water - \$2055.77; Sewer - \$661.88; Treatment Plant - \$6173.95.

The council adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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City Clerk

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Mayor