

BINGEN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Betty J. Barnes at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Betty Barnes, Catherine Kiewit, Izzy Schroder, Stephanie Porter. Council members absent: Maria Perez, Sandi Dickey. City Attorney Chris Lanz and Deputy Clerk Dena Riggelman were present. Audience: Laura Mann.

Public Comment

Laura Mann, Mt. Adams Park & Recreation District

Laura Mann said she is now a commissioner for the Mt. Adams Park & Recreation District. Mann said that MAPARD is looking to put a levy on the November ballot and they are asking for voters to support the district by passing the levy.

She said the levy would be .19 cents per \$1,000 which averages out to \$38.00 per household a year. 55% of money would go towards programs, 20% towards overhead and they would set aside 25% for capitol improvements.

Approval of Minutes – September 2, 2014

Corrections to the meeting minutes of the September 2, 2014 regular council meeting were noted as follows:

Page 4, 5th paragraph, 1st sentence should read as follows: “Betty Barnes said she attended a meeting with the governor last Wednesday at Bingen Point about the beetle kill in the Gorge.”

Izzy Schroder moved to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2014 regularly scheduled meeting as corrected. Catherine Kiewit seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Bingen-White Salmon Police Department Update

Betty Barnes said that Tracy Wyckoff could not attend the meeting but she said there were two recent incidents that had to be taken care of by the police department.

Barnes said one involved two loose dogs that attacked another dog during Huckleberry Festival and then got loose a second time and went up to White Salmon. She said the dogs will either be adopted out or euthanized.

Barnes said second incident involved a person who had been released from jail and was arrested just 2-1/2 hours later at an incident at MoJava.

Conditional Use Permit Application 2014-003, Clark College, Review and Approval

Betty Barnes said that the conditional use permit application submitted by Clark College was approved at the last council meeting and asked council members to sign the Approval of Written Decision.

Old Business

Drinking Fountain – Daubenspeck Park

Betty Barnes said she spoke with Charlie Long who gave her a history of the fountain and said there is a time capsule in the fountain.

Mayor’s Update and Council Comments

Huckleberry Festival

Izzy Schroder said that she thought the Huckleberry Festival rocked this year. She said Saturday was super busy and she appreciated that the parade was longer than normal. Schroder said other than an incident with the bouncy house, she heard good things about the festival.

Quiet Zone - BNSF

Izzy Schroder and Catherine Kiewit are interested in revisiting the quiet zone and wayside horns for the railroad. The consensus was that there is a lot of council members that were not on the council when it was discussed years ago and they would like to have more information about it.

Betty Barnes said they can have a full discussion at the next council meeting.

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 September 16, 2014. The council by unanimous vote does approve for payment the following list: EFT, checks 17003-17030 (dated 09/16/2014) totaling \$23805.20. General Fund – \$9134.28; Street - \$328.36; Water - \$10104.94; Sewer - \$409.27; Treatment Plant - \$2728.35; Water Construction and Maintenance - \$10932.59; Sewer Construction and Maintenance - \$7492.04; Sewer Construction & Maintenance Fund - \$1100.00.

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 September 16, 2014. The council by unanimous vote does approve for payment the following list: EFT, payroll checks 16997-17002, totaling \$13909.38. General Fund – \$5546.34; Street - \$2110.93; Water - \$1497.87; Sewer - \$490.53; Treatment Plant - \$4263.71.

The council adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor