

EATONVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

TIME: 7:00 PM **DATE:** May 8, 2023

PLACE: Eatonville Community Center/Virtual Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Baublits called the meeting of the Eatonville Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Town Clerk Miranda Doll called the roll. The following were:

Present: Councilmembers Kyle Litzenberger, Peter Paul, Mike Schaub, Bill Dunn and Emily McFadden.

Also Present: Mayor Baublits, Town Clerk Miranda Doll, Town Administrator Seth Boettcher and Fire Chief Todd Wernet.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Baublits led the assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/SET TIME RESTRICTIONS

Councilmember Schaub moved approval of agenda with a three-minute time limit and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Colin Stephens – 401 Skylar Way, inquired about the possibility of moving the Town gate on Weyerhaeuser Rd S to allow for additional parking at the Bud Blancher Trailhead. The cars using the trail are parking on private property.

Roslyn Henricks – 465 Airport Rd, spoke in support of Resolution 2023-V. She had a table at Community Day on Friday and received support for this there as well as an online survey she put out. She read some comments into the record and feels the development of a bike park is a good use of ARPA funds.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from the April 10, 2023 Council Meeting
- B. Payroll 26854 to 26860 \$126,205.02

| C. Payroll | 26861 to 26863 | \$111,379.58 |
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| D. Claims | 41699 to 41737 | \$605,274.93 |
| E. Claims | 41738 to 41771 | \$112,387.22 |

Councilmember McFadden made a motion to approve the consent agenda and was seconded by Councilmember Litzenberger. All were in favor.

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

- A. Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Councilmember McFadden let the Council know that the Committee met on the 4th and reviewed 2 applications. The first was Rod Knockers, which requested the same amount as years past. The second is Eatonville Business Association, which has requested \$5,000. Both Committee members are in support of approval and each applicant has submitted receipts already. Councilmember McFadden made a motion to approve both LTAC funding requests and was seconded by Councilmember Dunn. All were in favor.
- **B. Finance Committee** Councilmember Schaub stated that Committee met on the 13th for an update on the funding of the SR161 project. Administration will bring forward a supplement to the KPG contract. The Committee also discussed the Climate Grant and a recommendation from Commerce regarding moving forward with the early implementation phase. The committee had questions regarding the financial reports and those were addressed by staff.
- C. Public Utilities Committee Councilmember Dunn stated that the Committee also met on the 13th to discuss the current draft of the CIP and wanted to make sure that it is in line with the Comprehensive Plan Update.
- **D. Public Works Report** Councilmember Paul asked Town Administrator Boettcher for a status update on the past due invoices for Yogis. He wanted to know the total amount owed as well as what efforts have been taken to address the issue. Town Administrator Boettcher let Council know there have been some re-bills with some success and the attorney is reviewing the invoices in question. Councilmember Paul wished to know, if the attorney finds the debt is legitimized, will the attorney billings be passed on to the property owner and, as the business is now closed and for sale, will the Town place a lean on the property to collect the debt.

RESOLUTION 2023-V

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, declaring its support for pursuing the development of an Eatonville Bicycle Park and appropriating funds for its construction.

Town Clerk Miranda Doll read the Resolution by title into the record.

Councilmember Paul made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-V and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. All were in favor.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember McFadden thanked everyone who spoke. She loved the comments about the bike park and is excited to see the project move forward. She also congratulated the Wastewater Department on the outstanding award they received.

Councilmember Dunn thanked Councilmember Schaub for his amendment to Resolution 2023-V. He also thanked Ms. Henricks for her participation and rallying the troops on the bike park Project.

Councilmember Schaub asked staff for an update on the Aviator Heights bond. Staff will get an update from the attorney and report back. He mentioned the Spring Clean-up event coming up and congratulated Steve and his crew on the hard work in Wastewater.

Councilmember Paul agreed with all previous Councilmember comments and let everyone know about the Trashtastic clean up event taking place on May 17th to benefit the Eatonville Family Agency that was spearheaded by a local 2nd grader. He attended May Day and gave kudos to those who put the event on. He also reported that he was contacted by a resident who lives by the skatepark, has a neighbor frequently having loud parties and asked that officers drive through the area more often.

Councilmember Litzenberger echoed all previous comments then stated that he went to May Day and enjoyed the event. He gave Council an update on the PCRC meeting he attended on April 20th where Council Executive Dammeier and PC Sheriff Troyer both spoke. One topic was that car thefts are up 3 times from pre-pandemic.

ADJOURNMENT

With all business completed, Mayor Baublits adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

David Baublits, Mayor

ATTEST:

Miranda Doll, Town Clerk