



**EATONVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING**

TIME: 7:00 PM

DATE: January 8, 2024

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, Police Chief Jason LaLiberte 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 Paul moved approval of agenda with a three-minute time limit and was seconded by Councilmember Dunn. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Colin Stephens, 401 Skylar Way gave a thumbs up to Councilmember Paul for picking up trash. He also asked for more comments from the Mayor and more administration reports this year.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from the December 11, 2023 Council Meeting
- B. Payroll 26917 to 26921 \$118,647.66
- C. Payroll 26922 to 26924 \$112,887.12
- D. Claims 42345 to 42353 \$ 48,123.37
- E. Claims 42354 to 42367 \$170,511.88
- F. Claims 42368 to 42401 \$ 74,810.67
- G. Claims 42402 to 42415 \$ 45,010.36

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

- A. **Fire Chief Report** – Chief Wernet gave an update on new firefighter paramedics who are now off probation. He also let the Council know that we now have shift battalion chiefs on duty 24 hours a day.
- B. **Public Works Report** – Seth Boettcher let the Council know that he has been working on the background work for Resolutions as well as year end reporting.
- C. **Finance Committee** – Councilmember Schaub reported that the Committee met on the 14th of December and discussed the Flock Agreement as well as continuing to work on Title 2 updates to be brought forward this year. They will also continue to work on updated Financial Policies. The Committee also discussed updating Council devices, whether to new iPads or laptops.
- D. **Mayor's Report** – Mayor Baublits reflected on past meetings and stated that he feels that we could hold only one per month as we are required to do in EMC. He feels staff could email the consent agenda out on what would be packet day and, if Council sees anything they have questions about, they could let staff know to hold that item out until the next meeting.

RESOLUTION 2024-A

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement with SBN Planning, LLC.

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

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-A and was seconded by Councilmember Schaub. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-B

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract amendment with Pierce County Human Services, Low Income Home Water Assistance Program.

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

Councilmember Schaub made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-B and was seconded by Councilmember Litzenberger. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-C

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, approving funding documents in support of the Eatonville Generator Project for food bank and senior lunches.

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

Councilmember Paul made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-C and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-D

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, authorizing the execution of a general services agreement with Washington State Patrol for fire safety plan review and inspections.

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

Councilmember McFadden made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-D and was seconded by Councilmember Litzenberger. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-E

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, approving and accepting the State of Washington Transportation Improvement Board Grant for Eatonville Pavement Preservation.

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

Councilmember Paul made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-E and was seconded by Councilmember McFadden. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-F

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, approving and accepting the State of Washington Transportation Improvement Board Grant for West Eatonville Sidewalk Improvements.

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

Councilmember Litzenberger made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-F and was seconded by Councilmember Dunn. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-G

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, awarding a bid for the full depth reclamation of View Crest Drive and Center St East to Icon Materials.

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

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-G and was seconded by Councilmember Litzenberger. All were in favor.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember McFadden wished everyone a Happy New Year. She also reported that we received the shipment of the new holiday decorations. They are currently on pallets but we need a long term plan. She also agrees with citizen Colin Stephens regarding the Mayor's report. She would like to see more transparency.

Councilmember Dunn stated that he is not a fan of 1 Council meeting per month. He feels it is easier for citizens to plan to attend if we hold 2 and that it is easier to cancel one rather than try to schedule one at the last minute if we were to need two.

Councilmember Schaub echoes Councilmember Dunn's statements, especially with the Comp Plan update coming up this year. He feels there will need to be more interaction.

Councilmember Paul agrees with holding 2 Council meetings. He also asked for an update on the RCO grant that he heard the Town received.

Councilmember Litzenberger updated the Council that he has a meeting with the Fire Chief to begin the discussion regarding a plan for annexation.

ADJOURNMENT

With all business completed, Mayor Baublits adjourned the meeting at 7:27 PM.

David Baublits, Mayor

ATTEST:

Miranda Doll, Town Clerk