



## NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Brian Sabo  
Councilmember Terry Norris  
Councilmember Margie Lee

Councilmember Travis Randall  
Councilmember Joshua Good  
Councilmember John Acton

### City Council Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2022

7:00 p.m.

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#### **Meeting Call to Order: 7:01pm**

**Roll Call:** Present; Mayor B. Sabo, Councilmembers J. Acton, T. Randall, T. Norris, M. Lee, J. Good

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Agenda Changes & Additions:** N/A

**Public Hearings:** N/A

**Consent Agenda: Approval of the December 28<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes, approval of the 13<sup>th</sup> month Vouchers \$6,275.12.** Motion by T. Randall, second by T. Norris. **Passed 5-0.** **Approval of the January 1<sup>st</sup> half Vouchers \$62,032.94.** Motion by T. Randall, second by M. Lee. **Passed 5-0**

**Guest Presentations: Skamania County EDC Director Kevin Waters:** Kevin of the EDC shares local accomplishments such as Cascades Business Park, AT&T tower, arranged major power project for development, networking for business interests in North Bonneville, assisted with business loans during Covid, worked with Wave for low rate internet for distance learning, SBDC partnership for new and existing business support and funding options, securing scenic area funding, and work towards CDBG options for lift station #2 replacement. J. Good asks what the target businesses are and Kevin responds that manufacturing would be the main due to funding options, but the Port's vision is more of a mixed use. Mayor Sabo reminds council that the cost of EDC membership was approved with the budget. J. Good asks the administration if they see value in EDC membership. Sabo responds that Deanna is working on the Lift Station CDBG grant with the EDC and it seems that this is the year the city will see a return on the investment.

**Public Comment:** Assistant Fire Chief Greg Johnson of NB reports on recent FD activity. He mentions that the FD lot was full of snow and strongly suggests a written snow removal plan due to some priority and possible emergency issues, and offers to help write it up. He also suggests annexation of Shelly Lane to allow for city workers to access and plow for emergency vehicles. Mayor Sabo responds that the brown truck was not a city truck and that the city does not plow the Chevron. Greg also says the hydrants need flagged and he is working on quotes for poles.

Don Stevens of NB welcomes new councilmembers and applauds PW for their work on the quick snowfall. Don speaks of rejuvenating an idea for a mountain bike trail near the railroad tracks and possible extension to Stevenson with the help of Evergreen Mountain Biking Alliance. He would like input as to whether council would be interested in the project or considering trying again. Tom Jermann states that the project would need a plan review and Don responds that the Alliance has grant writers and planners who would handle that.

**Councilmember Comments:** T. Randall thanks all for coming and approves of moving forward on the trail plan. Randall also gives kudos to PW for the snow storm, but says it could've been better planned for one sweep through all and then again on mains. J. Good thanks all for coming and agrees with Greg's idea for a snow plan and recognizes there is always room for improvement. He also likes the idea of the

bike trail and wants to remain open to new ideas. He thanks the community for the opportunity to serve on council. T. Norris wants to talk implementation on the bike trail.

**Mayor's Comments:** Mayor Sabo wants to see more about the bike trail. He also gives permission for a written snow plan.

**Chief Administrative Officer Report:** Deanna shares that the State Audit is almost complete.

**City Attorney's Report:** N/A

**Unfinished Business:**

- **Skamania County COVID Update, Councilor Acton:** Councilor Acton reports that there are 961 total cases reported in Skamania County. 83 currently active, 9 deaths, 30 hospitalizations.

**New Business:**

- **Ratifying Resolution # 555 Emergency Declaration:** Motion by T. Randall, second by J. Good. **Passed 5-0**
- **Approval of 2022 EDC Contract:** Motion by T. Randall not to exceed \$7,907.50, second by J. Acton. **Passed 5-0**
- **2022 Mayor pro temp Nomination and Approval:** T. Randall nominates T. Norris. J. Good nominates himself. T. Norris nominates J. Good. Consensus shows approval of J. Good as Mayor pro temp for 2022.
- **Councilor Good, Trails Foundation's Adventure Park Discussion:** J. Good wanted to share his position on the state of the Adventure Park. He is concerned about the Foundation's ability to deliver on the project because of lack of noticeable fundraising and communication throughout the years as well as the status of the Sport Court renovation. He states that his concern is that there is a large chunk of tourism dollars locked into a commitment for the park, not allowing other ideas or proposals for hotel/motel funds. Josh asks that the Bonneville Trails Foundations gives a complete update my meeting time in February with a clear plan for moving forward. He says that he would be comfortable making a motion to discontinue the earmarked money if there is no clear motion forward.

**Closing Public Comment:** N/A

**Closing Council Comments:** J. Good thanks all for coming and encourages community to share their input with council. T. Randall thanks all for coming..

**Adjournment:** 8:47pm