



NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Brian Sabo
Councilmember Terry Norris
Councilmember Margie Lee

Councilmember Travis Randall
Councilmember Richard Hall
Councilmember John Acton

City Council Meeting Minutes August 10, 2021 7:00 p.m.

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Meeting Call to Order: 7:01pm

Roll Call: Present; Mayor B. Sabo, Councilmembers J. Acton, T. Norris, R. Hall. Absent; Councilmembers M. Lee, T. Randall.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Changes & Additions: Mayor Sabo adds Sludge Removal approval under new business, Sport Court discussion under new business, and excusing councilor M. Lee and T. Randall

Public Hearings: N/A

Consent Agenda:

- **Approval of the July 27th meeting minutes. Approval of the August 1st half Vouchers for \$24,503.778:** Motion by T. Norris, second by R. Hall. **Passed 3-0**

Guest Presentations: N/A

Public Comment: N/A

Councilmember Comments: N/A

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Sabo mentions that the land purchase should be closed in a few more weeks. He also mentions that Deanna and he are gearing up to start the budget season items.

Chief Administrative Officer Report: Deanna reports that a business owner will be coming to ask council about sidewalk repairs and adding an ADA ramp from the parking lot to the business.

City Attorney's Report: Ken mentions the judge signing off on the dissolution of the PDA, which the Mayor discusses later in the meeting. He also brings up his fee increase which will take effect in the new year.

Unfinished Business:

- **COVID-19 Update Councilor Acton:** Councilor Acton reports that there are 7 active cases in Skamania County, bringing the total cumulative cases to 410. He informs that even vaccinated people have been getting the virus, and to be cautious.
- **PDA Dissolution update:** Mayor Sabo reports that the judge signed the papers for dissolution of the PDA last week. The PDA paid some final invoices and will pay the remainder this week. He shares that the likely income for the city from the sale will be around \$190k after bills are paid. He also suggests that council think about a professional services contract for Mary to assist with the final SAO audit as a consultant due to her knowledge about the business.

New Business:

- **Resolution # 550 Amending Resolution # 546 Exhibit B Water Fees:** Motion by J. Acton, second by R. Hall. Mr. Sabo explains that this resolution would allow for accounts in good standing for two years may receive their initial utility deposit back. **Passed 3-0**

- **Ordinance # 1141 Amending NB Municipal Code Chapter 13.04 Water System:** Motion by J. Acton, second by T. Norris. Mayor Sabo explains that this relates to the above resolution and must also be updated in the code. **Passed 3-0**
- **City Playground renovation discussion:** Mr. Sabo mentions that when the pot shop was originally started, there were promises to upgrade the existing playground with the funds that would be coming to the city through revenues that never happened. Sabo asks council to consider utilizing around \$25k in funds from the shop sale to immediately upgrade the playground as promised. He would like to see a citizen playground committee formed for design ideas. He also mentions that the Fireman’s Association would donate for a fence to ensure small kiddos stay within the area for additional safety.
- **Sludge Removal:** Motion by J. Acton, second by T. Norris. Mayor Sabo discusses that the budgeted amount for this service was \$14k, but due to rising fuel costs it may cost closer to \$15k. He asks that council vote, not to exceed \$15k for this year’s hauling, which may happen prior to the next meeting. **Passed 3-0**
- **Sport Court discussion:** The Mayor explains that the RCO Youth Facilities Grant that was won was actually awarded to the city, not the Trails Foundation. The BTF facilitated the grant and are named as administrators and project managers on the project. This changed the requirements for several areas of the project including bidding process and prevailing wage vs. utilization of volunteers. Attorney Ken Woodrich explains that there is a volunteer clause that may be used and Mayor Sabo explains that there are now basketball groups wanting to come from all over for tournaments, which may still allow for it to be considered a “tourist facility” and change the rules a little. Ken and Mayor Sabo explain that there is still some research to be done to ensure all involved are following the RCW’s and rules set forth, and still get the project started.
- **Excuse M. Lee and T. Randall:** Motion by T. Norris, second by R. Hall. **Passed 3-0**

Closing Public Comment: Julie Sabo of NB congratulates all for putting on a great car show. The Mayor adds that the group left the place cleaner than they found it.

Closing Council Comments: Councilor Acton shares that he will not be attending the next council meeting. He also thanks Josh and the Sabo’s for their hard work in getting through to dissolution of the PDA. Mayor Sabo adds that it was a group effort and thanks the councilors and Ken for their part. R. Hall asks for a change at the corner of Evergreen and Cascade, where the public trail to the lake is. He mentions that there is serious undergrowth and can be a fire danger, but the path is blocked by large boulders to not allow vehicles through. He suggests a gate so that fire apparatus may still be able to move through quickly in the case of fire. The Mayor agrees.

Adjournment: 7:49pm