



NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

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North Bonneville Workshop Minutes October 8, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Council Workshop

Workshop Meeting Call to Order: 6:30PM

Roll Call: Present: Mayor B. Sabo, Councilmembers J. Acton, T. Randall, T. Norris. Absent: Councilmembers M. Lee (arrived at 6:31PM), J. Whitcomb (arrived at 6:34PM)

Unfinished Business:

- **2020 Budget Discussion:** B. Sabo discusses the budget calendar, revenue summary and sources. Property tax will be up in the coming year. We continue to receive B&O tax shares from electric, phone, internet, waste, and other business taxes. We've continued to recoup dollars from past-due utility accounts and have significantly improved our financial position in the water/sewer areas. Even with more employees in PW and much deserved raises, we are still saving money by eliminating the need for so many OT hours and weekend on-call rates due to having an employee on Weds through Sunday schedule.

New Business: Mary and Steven Helms of NB mention that there are some kids hanging around Island Way late at night, throwing things at houses, urinating in public, cursing loudly, etc. Several residents of Island Way have confronted them, but the parent called the sheriff on the residents and the kids continue to do above mentioned activities. B. Sabo states that you can ask non-threatening that they leave your property and you can call the sheriff if the above mentioned continues.

B. Sabo talks of bringing in the Washington State Archives and a shredding company to purge unnecessary files for ease of public record searches and general housekeeping practices.

Adjournment: 6:55PM



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7:00 p.m.

Meeting Call to Order: 7:03PM

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Changes & Additions: B. Sabo adds a note on HB1406 to new business.

Public Hearings: N/A

Consent Agenda:

- **Approval of September 24, 2019 meeting minutes. Approval October first half Vouchers for \$4028.22:** Motion by T. Randall, second by M. Lee. **Passed 5-0**

Guest Presentations: N/A

Public Comment:

Mike Riley of NB is running for Council Position #5. Introduces himself and gives a background of honorable discharged Air Force, aircraft mechanic, ski patrol, Dish Network. Steve Whitcomb asks why he wants to run for council. Mike states that he's taken many oaths and served the public and is ready for more cerebral activity. Josh Good asks what challenges he can address while serving the city and Mike responds that he's not familiar with the current challenges, but mainly would like to look at infrastructure. Josh Good asks what experience would assist him in serving the city and Mike responds that in doing related government/civilian duties, and his scientific knowledge, he knows how to comply with fed and state regulations and he sees room for the city to grow in many ways such as kids programs, searching out funding, etc. Mary Helms asks why he chose position #5, as there were other spots open and he responds that he flipped a coin, so to speak, and would like to serve the city. Mary also asks if he's attended meetings and he responds that this is his first.

Councilmember Comments:

M. Lee and T. Randall thank everyone for coming. J. Acton asks about the progress on the TIB crosswalk project regarding the stop sign that nobody stops at. B. Sabo responds that we are waiting to close out the TIB project and our engineer is in discussion with them regarding removal.

Mayor's Comments: B. Sabo says that Paul Henry has submitted a letter of ideas for the facilities money, rather than the proposed adventure park by the Trails Foundation. We may talk about this more at the next meeting. DNR also granted us a brush truck free of charge. Must keep it a year, then can later be passed down to public works who could really use it. Takes about a month for paperwork and will ask your approval then.

City Clerk Report: Deanna apologizes for the delay in the October newsletter due to working with the State Auditor for a couple of weeks and intends to have it out by Friday. The audit went well this year – last year there were 3 findings on the auditor's report, and we are set to have 1, possibly none for 2018! We improved on 90% + of the previous year's findings and are continuing to improve our position and processes to reduce risk to the city. B. Sabo gives kudos to Deanna, Jen, and Tom for handling most of

the auditor's requests and answering his questions.

City Attorney's Report: Attended WCIA/USAMA conferences and learned of public works contract changes. We will work up a new contract to include the new rules.

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

- **MOA Stipend in Lieu of Medical Insurance:** Motion by T. Randall, second by J. Acton. Union contract requires employees to opt into medical coverage, even if already covered with the exception of Medicare. Worked with the Union to amend rules to allow for a \$700 stipend and the option to opt out with proof of any other insurance. **Passed 5-0**
- **Liquor License Renewal, Chevron:** Motion by T. Randall, second by T. Norris. **Passed 5-0**
- **House Bill 1406:** Atty Ken Woodrich explains that there are chunks of state sales tax now available for affordable housing projects of various types. Council needs to present a resolution of intent, then need an ordinance within 6 months. This can be put into a fund for 'just in case' and you can choose to do it in conjunction with the county. It doesn't cost the citizens any extra money. Small cities have more leeway and tools to leverage more money.

Consensus yes, B. Sabo will discuss with Skamania County.

Closing Public Comment:

Mike Riley asks if there's a place to store the new truck. Sabo – yes. Mike also asks if we are currently working with FEMA. Sabo responds that Assistant Chief Gregg Johnson works frequently with them. Will the Chevron now serve liquor? Sabo says no, just beer and wine. Jane Jackson of NB asks if the residents of Hamilton Park have representation from the city regarding issues and B. Sabo states that they have as much as any other resident of NB. Jane also asks about the Corp of Engineers work down on Dam Access Road. Sabo and Tom explain that they have already moved rocks, culverts, and will be starting on benches and lights shortly.

Closing Council Comments:

T. Randall thanks all for coming. T. Norris thanks Mike Riley for the introduction.

Adjournment: 7:54PM