

## 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 November 24, 2020 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Call to Order: 7pm

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

Pledge of Allegiance: N/A

Agenda Changes & Additions: T. Norris would like to discuss Reservoir Road and PDA. B. Sabo adds

Resolution 542 regarding the Ad Valorem Tax. Deanna adds a one-time water credit.

**Public Hearings: Setting Ad Valorem Tax, 2021 North Bonneville Budget:** Mayor Sabo opens the public hearing for setting the ad valorem tax at 7:02pm. No comments. Hearing closed at 7:03pm. Mayor Sabo opens the public hearing for the 2021 Budget at 7:03. No comments. Hearing closed at 7:04pm

**Consent Agenda:** 

Approval of the November 10th meeting minutes. Approval of the November 2nd -half
 Vouchers for \$8471.78: Motion by T. Randall, second by J. Acton. Passed 5-0

Guest Presentations: N/A
Public Comment: N/A

**Councilmember Comments:** T. Randall thanks all for continuing to join us by zoom and was hoping we could resume in-person meetings sooner. He also mentions that the bear and cougar issues we were having should be less at this point because of relocation.

Mayor's Comments: B. Sabo mentions that we won a TIB grant for resurfacing the roads. We won \$73k with a \$5k match that is already set aside for a total of \$77k. Mayor Sabo says we will also work on obtaining other grants for other roads in need. The Mayor also mentions a new homeowner in town who has started an Airbnb. He has purchased a kid's train and would like to offer rides around the park. Sabo told him he would have to be insured. Deanna mentions that we may have to amend the motorized vehicle section of the pathway code. He also is putting in two Tesla charging stations at his own cost that will be available to all.

**Chief Administrative Officer Report:** Deanna mentions that the CAO position announcement is now closed. There were 11 applicants, 5 chosen for interviews, and 2 chosen for a second interview on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. She also mentions that the position is on hold for a start time due to COVID.

City Attorney's Report: N/A

## **Unfinished Business:**

COVID-19 Update Councilor Acton: J. Acton reports that the Skamania County totals were at 88
two weeks ago and are now at 98. There remains to be one death, 85 recovered, and 11 active.

## **New Business:**

- Ordinance 1129 Setting of 2021 Ad Valorem Tax: Motion by T. Randall, second by J. Acton. T.
  Randall verifies that the increase is 1%. Sabo confirms that we either take it or it still is collected
  and goes to the county. Passed 5-0
- Resolution 542 regarding Ad Valorem Tax: Motion by J. Acton, second by T. Norris. Passed 5-0
- Ordinance 1130 Adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2021: Motion by T. Randall, second

- by T. Norris. Passed 5-0
- Reservoir Road Discussion: T. Norris says that the pictures shown last meeting didn't seem that
  bad and the Mayor explains that the Engineer was trying to show how the water runs down. T.
  Randall says that there are irrigation pipes at the bottom of the road that are now fully exposed.
  The Mayor explains that Ted is going to do better drainage and slope of the road for better
  runoff.
- **PDA Discussion:** The Mayor mentions that there's not much news as of now but they had received a letter of intent from a possible buyer of the store.
- One-Time water credit for R. Truelove: Motion by T. Randall for the sum of \$144.28 to Ronnie Truelove, second by J. Acton. Passed 5-0

## Closing Public Comment: N/A

Closing Council Comments: R. Hall asks about an article he saw regarding Stevenson City Council trying to defund the Sheriff's Department. Mayor Sabo mentions that he received a call from one of the councilmembers yesterday about this topic. She asked about our contract. Sabo says that it may go that way depending on the vote and that we would likely lose at least one deputy if that happens. T. Randall asks how their constituents feel about that and states that the Skamania County Sheriff's Department are respectable and handle things well. Sabo told the councilmember that he was very pleased with the performance of the department.

Adjournment: 7:34pm