



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 16, 2022
7:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER (Via Zoom)

Mayor Hartman called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Hartman led the Council, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. ROLL CALL

City Council

Mayor Matthew Hartman	Present
Steven Glenn	Present
Tom FitzGerald	Present
Erin Hogan	Present
David Griggs	Present

City Staff

City Clerk Darla Reese
City Manager Brent Kirk

Consultants

Thom Graafstra – Thompson, Guildner & Assoc.
Police Chief Tom Dalton - S.C.S.O.
Ryan C. Larsen, Consultant Planner

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. AB 025-2022 Approval February 2, 2022 Minutes
- B. AB 026-2022 Approval of February 16, 2022 claims checks #412212 through #412251 and One EFT totaling \$171,055.92
- C. AB 027-2022 Approval of January 16, 2022 through January 31, 2022 payroll claims check #27425 through #27428 and Seventeen EFT's totaling \$83,002.61

Councilmember Hogan moved to approve the Consent Agenda as is. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

5. STAFF REPORTS

City Clerk Reese & Consultant Police Chief Dalton included their Staff Reports in the Council packet.

Consultant Police Chief Dalton gave the following Police Department updates:

- Three-year tracking of numbers on case reports taken & crime analysis incidents and tracking
- Thanked Fire Department for performing COVID tests on the deputies and fire service
- BBQ incident and fix by Public Works

City Manager Kirk discussed the following Public Works updates:

- Frank Mason Park bathroom repainted due to graffiti
- Charles will be meeting next week regarding security cameras (county person) – Frank Mason & Jim Holm Parks
- FCS Group meeting and update on rate study, draft GFC rates on water and sewer
- Galena Street extension project update
- Indiana – Alder Avenue, Union Street project update
- Crosswalk at Alder & Alpine (getting two slashing crosswalk signs)
- Five new certified Passport Acceptance Agents at City Hall
 - Submitting documentation – plan on moving forward within the next couple of weeks (middle to end of March)
 - Hiring part-time workers
 - Will be open Thurs-Friday afternoons and Saturday & Sunday (when other offices are not open)
 - Will start out at City Hall building, if business explodes, move it over to the old City Hall building
- Update on what the cities of Lake Stevens and Sultan did for their recent Council retreats (look at doing something similar in March on a Saturday)
- Clearing on empty Rite Aid lots – they have been purchased and contractor asked to just clear the lots (nothing has been submitted yet)

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS-NON-ACTION ITEMS

There were no public comments submitted for the record. No one online opted to speak during this portion of the meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. AB 028-2022 Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 1019-2022 – SEPA Threshold Exemption Levels

Councilmember FitzGerald moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1019-2022, an ordinance of the City of Granite Falls, Washington amending Granite Falls Municipal Code (GFMC) subsection 19.07.010(h)(3) relating to SEPA Categorical Exemptions; establishing severability and an effective date. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

B. AB 029-2022 Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 1020-2022 (Code Edits) and Ordinance No. 1021-2022 (Concurrency and Adequacy) relating to Development Regulations

Councilmember Griggs moved the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1020-2022 amending portions of the Granite Falls Municipal Code Title 19 Unified Development Code and repealing Title 20 Subdivision Code and amending Title 21 Impact Fees. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Glenn moved that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1021-2022 adding a new chapter 19.2 relating to concurrency and adequacy. Councilmember Griggs seconded. Motion carried.

C. AB 030-2022 Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 1022-2022, an ordinance of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, relating to the 2022 City Budget; and amending Ordinance No. 1017-2021 adopting the 2022 Budget to adjust revenue estimates and appropriations for funds as included on Exhibit "A"

Councilmember FitzGerald moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1022-2022, an ordinance of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, relating to the 2022 City Budget and amending Ordinance No. 1017-2021 adopting the 2022 Budget to adjust revenue estimates and appropriations for funds as included on Exhibit "A." Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

D. AB 031-2022 Consideration of Approval of Amendment to City Attorney Agreement Calendar Year 2022

Councilmember Hogan moved to approve amendment to the City Attorney agreement calendar year 2022 with Thompson, Guildner & Associates, Inc., P.S. and authorize the City Manager to sign. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

8. CURRENT BUSINESS

There were no Current Business items for the Agenda.

9. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Hartman discussed the following items:

- Had dinner tonight with Mr. Corsi and Kirk Pearson, both with Volunteers of America
 - Housing situation – growth expected in Snohomish County
- Population projections
- Update on Planning Commission meeting from last week (beginning Comprehensive Plan review)

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Glenn had no comments.

Councilmember FitzGerald shared the following updates:

- Granite Falls School Board Meeting
 - Both School Board levies failed, and both will be re-run on the April ballots
 - Test numbers at middle school = performance numbers down with online learning
 - Anonymous quiz taken by the kids regarding mental health including suicide and depression = numbers were way up in the middle school kids
 - Middle school & Elementary student numbers are increasing
 - Had to leave before the “Regionalization Factor” number was discussed. Will meet with Mr. Cary regarding the numbers this week
- Little League will be coming in late Spring or early summer with a proposal to build a pole building for indoor practices and batting cages and on the Perrigoue Field property
 - Registration closed today and numbers are way up
- Will have knee replacement surgery so will not coach until recovered from it

Councilmember Hogan had no comments.

Councilmember Griggs is looking forward to starting the discussions regarding the upcoming Show N’ Shine event. He also mentioned the printing would be free if portions of the profits were donated to a local charity organization. The Boys & Girls Club has been selected to be the local charity of choice.

11. CITY MANAGER

City Manager Kirk voiced the need to work with Mayor Hartman and Deputy City Manager Balentine on transition. He also commented on growth and the Puget Sound Regional Council and population target numbers.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hartman adjourned the meeting.



City Clerk Darla Reese, MMC



Mayor Matthew Hartman