



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 18, 2023 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER (Via In-Person & Online 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	Absent
Erin Hogan	Absent
David Griggs	Present

City Staff

City Clerk Darla Reese
Deputy City Manager Jeff Balentine
Community Dev. Director Eric Jensen

Consultants

Emily Guildner – Thompson, Guildner & Assoc.
Police Chief Tom Dalton – S.C.S.O.

Councilmember Glenn moved to excuse Councilmember Hogan due illness. Councilmember Griggs seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Glenn moved to excuse Councilmember FitzGerald due to vacation. Councilmember Griggs seconded. Motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. AB 109-2023 Approval of October 5, 2023 through October 18, 2023 claims checks #413739 through #413774 and One EFT totaling \$371,998.99
- B. AB 110-2023 Approval of September 16, 2023 through September 30, 2023 payroll claims checks #27534 through #27537 and Twenty-Five EFT's totaling \$124,245.96

Deputy City Manager Balentine added one check item #413775 to the claims to D&G Backhoe in the amount of \$237,044.53.

Councilmember Glenn moved to approve the Consent Agenda with said change as discussed by Finance Director Balentine. Councilmember Griggs seconded. Motion carried.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Community Development Director Jensen reviewed the Community Survey results with the Council.

Consultant Police Chief Dalton reported on the following items:

- Current Police Department calls
 - Ask = Possible funding for “piranha stop sticks” for police patrol cars
 - Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office deploying the use of “pepper gun with pepper balls”

Deputy City Manager Balentine gave the Public Works update and discussed the following items:

- Galena St. Project (delays – backordered items)
- McDaniel’s Hardware (April 1st Open Date)
- Water meter readings (completed)
- H&H Market Project
- Water Meter Readings
- Old City Hall
 - Failed backflow assembly repair
 - Siding contract/work
 - Working on quotes for interior renovation
- Monument marker repaired (E. Stanley & S. Kentucky Ave.)
- Working with Snohomish County to repair street light on W. Stanley
- Pre-Construction Meeting – Wastewater Treatment Plant

Deputy City Manager Balentine gave the following finance updates:

- Received over \$270,000 more money for Galena St. from TIB
- Gray & Osborne, TIB – N. Alder Avenue (completed this week)
- Painting of rainbow crosswalks
- Passport update

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 111-2023 Consideration to Approve Resolution Number 2023-11, A Resolution of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, accepting a Loan from the Department of Ecology for the Granite Falls WWTP Upgrade Project (WQC-2024-GRAFAL-0005) in the amount of \$34,095,800**

Councilmember Griggs moved to approve Resolution Number 2023-11, a Resolution of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, accepting a loan from the Department of Ecology for the Granite Falls WWTP Upgrade Project (WQC-2024-GRAFAL-0005) in the amount of \$34,095,800. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

- B. AB 112-2023 Council consideration of Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update priority issues for November 14, 2023 Council/Planning Commission Joint Workshop**

Community Development Director Jensen and Planning Commissioner Chair Fred Cruger gave a brief overview of the main topic of discussion as decided by the Planning Commission for the upcoming joint City Council and Planning Commission meeting on November 14, 2023 from 7-9 PM.

- ✚ Parks Property (First topic of discussion)

Meeting to be set up in a “round-table” format.

8. CURRENT BUSINESS

There were no Current Business items for the Agenda.

9. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Hartman discussed the following items:

- Railroad Days (successful)
- Haven't spoke to Chamber (Darcy) about the financial side
- Snohomish County Tomorrow = Comprehensive Plan updates
- Congresswoman Kim Schrier – asked us to host a N. County Mayors roundtable meeting – Sultan, Darrington and Granite Falls in attendance
 - ASK = WWTP Funding cut to \$979,000 by Republicans – currently stuck in the House
- SEPA documents out on Heidelberg – CUP = 25-year pit expansion
- Snohomish County Cities dinner tomorrow night
- Attended the Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County luncheon

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Glenn mentioned the following items:

- Railroad Days – look at possibly moving barricades at the end of parade for next year
- Suncrest Farms (car prowlers) = will attend Coffee with the Chief
- Public Library survey is open for after-hours access

Councilmember Griggs mentioned the following items:

- Coffee with the Chief meeting this Saturday
- Quarry Rd (gravel spills on round-a-bouts)
- Street sweeper schedule
- Tree lighting ceremony (wants to help decorate tree)

11. CITY MANAGER

City Manager Kirk had no comments.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hartman adjourned the meeting.



City Clerk Darla Reese, MMC



Mayor Matthew Hartman