

## NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

June 16, 2020

Virtual Meeting

City Hall, 920 SE Cedar Falls Way, North Bend, Washington

### CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor McFarland called the regular meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**Councilmembers Present:** Elwood, Garcia, Gothelf, Koellen, Loudenback and Miller. Councilmember Rosen was excused.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

**Minutes** – City Council Meeting of June 2, 2020

**Payroll – June 5, 2020 – 28135** through **28143**, in the amount of **\$288,949.74**

**Checks – June 16, 2020 – 69306** through **69346**, in the amount of **\$423,708.07**

**AB20-081** – Motion Authorizing Contract with Glacken for Snow Guard Installation

**AB20-082** – Motion Authorizing Amendment to Blueline Work Order #2020-5

Councilmember Elwood **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

### CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

**Michael Thomas**, 1231 LaForest Drive SE, noted citizens were concerned and frustrated about the effect development has on their quality of life, natural environment, traffic, flooding and loss of small town character. He also expressed concern that growth was not paying for growth.

**Mike Davies**, 917 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Street, commented on the demonstration held in Downtown North Bend on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> and expressed his displeasure at the boarding up of businesses, armed citizens and an armored vehicle that were present at the demonstration. Additionally, he noted the Facebook group “Snoqualmie Public Safety” was starting a community wide conversation regarding policing in America.

**Jean Buckner**, 46226 SE 139<sup>th</sup> Place, commented on the multiple items of significant importance on the agenda and suggested it would be a benefit to the public to only handle one or two “heavy duty” items at each Council meeting. Additionally, she noted a Town Hall meeting on current events would be welcome and expressed her concern about the proposed National Guard Facility on the east end of the City.

**Jeff Krueger**, 13709 457<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE, commented on the lack of infrastructure in relation to

current development and its effects on traffic within the City. Additionally, he discussed the proposed National Guard facility and requested Council listen to citizen concerns regarding development.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:**

**Presentation** – Police Services Update

**Audio: 18:28  
& 50:04**

Police Captain Almquist reported on the “Stand in Solidarity Snoqualmie Valley” peaceful protest held at the intersection of North Bend Way and Bendigo Boulevard on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

Police Chief Phipps noted the City was receiving citizen comments on the Snoqualmie-North Bend Police Department’s Use of Force Policy. He discussed the “8 Can’t Wait” social media campaign that was currently underway to facilitate use of force policies designed to reduce police violence. Chief Phipps reviewed each of the eight items within the social media campaign and noted where each item was effectively addressed within the Police Department’s current policy.

**Proclamation** – Two Rivers School Class of 2020 Recognition Month

**Audio: 32:41**

Mayor McFarland read a proclamation declaring June 2020 as Two Rivers School Class of 2020 Recognition Month in the City of North Bend.

#### **COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Community & Economic Development Committee** – Councilmember Loudenback, Chair  
A report of the June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Finance & Administration Committee** – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair  
A report of the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting was provided.

**Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting** – Councilmember Gothelf  
A report of the June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Public Health & Safety Committee** – Councilmember Garcia, Chair  
A report of the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Transportation & Public Works Committee** – Councilmember Rosen, Chair  
A report of the May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Council Workstudy** – Mayor Pro Tem Elwood  
No report. The May 26<sup>th</sup> Council Workstudy was cancelled.

### **Planning Commission**

A report of the June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

### **Parks Commission**

No report.

### **Economic Development Commission**

A report of the May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

### **INTRODUCTIONS:**

**AB20-083 – Public Hearing Cont., Resolution 1941 Adopting Six Year  
Transportation Improvement Program 2021-2026** **Audio: 56:38**

Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

**Mayor McFarland noted the Public Hearing on a Resolution Adopting the Six Year TIP 2021-2026 was opened at the May 19, 2020 City Council meeting and continued to tonight's meeting.**

The following individuals spoke on the agenda item:

**Curtis von Trapp**, 416 Boxley Place NE  
**Maren Aberle**, 901 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
**Ed DeAlbuquerque**, 11326 428<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE  
**Catherine Pickard**, 908 NE 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
**Mike Davies**, 917 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
**Justin Geel**, 930 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
**Michael Thomas**, 1231 LaForest Drive SE  
**Sarah Carter**, 1029 Pickett Avenue NE  
**Todd Carter**, 1029 Pickett Avenue NE  
**Matt Gray**, 10826 428<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE  
**Robin Gray**, 10826 428<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE  
**Matt McManus**, 45327 SE Tanner Way  
**Keith Navidi**, 42924 SE 114<sup>th</sup> Street  
**Martin Volken**, 909 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
**John Knoll**, 42910 SE 112<sup>th</sup> Street  
**Jean Buckner**, 46226 SE 139<sup>th</sup> Place

**Mayor McFarland closed the Public Hearing at 8:39 p.m.**

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Garcia to approve AB20-083, a resolution adopting the 2021 – 2026 6 Year Transportation Improvement Program, as a final reading.

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Loudenback to remove Project #T-029 – Pickett Avenue Extension from the 6 Year Transportation Improvement Program. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

The main motion then **PASSED AS AMENDED** 6-0.

**AB20-084 – Public Hearing Cont.**, Ordinance 1723 Adopting NBMC 13.50 **Audio: 1:41:44**  
Water Conservation

City Administrator Miller provided the staff report.

**Mayor McFarland noted the Public Hearing on an Ordinance Adopting NBMC 13.50 Water Conservation was opened at the June 2, 2020 City Council meeting and continued to tonight’s meeting.**

The following individuals spoke on the agenda item:

**Sandy Knauft**, 13729 463<sup>rd</sup> Ave. SE  
**Jean Buckner**, 46226 SE 139<sup>th</sup> Place  
**Michael Thomas**, 1231 LaForest Drive SE  
**Matt McManus**, 45327 SE Tanner Road  
**Scott Parish**, 1141 LaForest Drive SE  
**Jeff Krueger**, 13709 457<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE

**Mayor McFarland closed the Public Hearing at 9:16 p.m.**

Councilmember Garcia **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB20-084, an ordinance adopting NBMC 13.50 Water Conservation, as a final reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**AB20-085 – Public Hearing**, Ordinance Adopting the 2020 Water **Audio: 2:22:25**  
System Plan

Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

**Mayor McFarland opened the Public Hearing on an Ordinance Adopting the 2020 Water System Plan at 9:31 p.m.**

The following individuals spoke on the agenda item:

**Jean Buckner**, 46226 SE 139<sup>th</sup> Place  
**Michael Thomas**, 1231 LaForest Drive SE

**Mayor McFarland announced the Public Hearing would remain open until the July 21, 2020 City Council meeting to allow for additional public comment.**

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve AB20-085, an ordinance adopting the 2020 Water System Plan, as a first reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**AB20-086** – Ordinance 1724 Adopting NBMC 9.80.010 RE Domestic Violence & Minor Children **Audio: 2:38:50**

City Administrator Miller provided the staff report.

Councilmember Garcia **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB20-086, an ordinance adopting NBMC Section 9.80.010 establishing the new crime of committing domestic violence in the presence of minor children, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:**

Councilmember Gothelf congratulated graduates for this school year and reminded all to be careful of children playing in the streets when driving in area neighborhoods. Additionally, he addressed earlier citizen comments regarding the traffic situation in the City today as a result of the closure of west bound I-90 and accident on SR202 and commented on the unplanned nature of both emergencies.

Councilmember Koellen reminded everyone of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and encouraged all to wear masks and wash hands to help prevent the spread of the virus.

Councilmember Loudenback encouraged residents to support those local businesses that have been hit hard economically during the pandemic.

Councilmember Miller extended congratulations to recent graduates and wished all a happy Father's Day. Additionally, she thanked all who remained vigilant during the pandemic and encouraged everyone to take care of themselves.

Councilmember Elwood echoed fellow Councilmember comments regarding COVID-19 and commented on the peaceful community gathering in Downtown North Bend on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, he shared his thoughts on comments provided at City Council meetings during public comment periods and wanted to remind all that the City Council may hear other opinions in a variety of different formats, not just at City Council meetings, and has to consider the community as a whole when making decisions on issues.

City Administrator Miller commented on the ongoing social unrest in the country and thanked Council for their leadership and ability to focus on very important issues during this difficult time.

Mayor McFarland spoke regarding the following items:

- Park Street Roundabout Striping – June 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m.
- North Bend Farmers Market – Thursdays 4 to 8 p.m. at Si View Park
- Yard Waste Recycling – Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. to Noon @ Public Works
- Snoqualmie Valley Transportation Summer Free Ride Programs for Youth
- Safe Start Recovery Plan Phase 2 for King County

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor McFarland recessed the regular meeting for an Executive Session at 9:58 p.m. to discuss potential litigation, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). No action was anticipated as a result of the Executive Session, which was expected to last forty-five minutes and videotaping of the meeting ceased.

At 10:42 p.m. Mayor McFarland announced to audience members in the virtual lobby that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional ten minutes.

The regular meeting reconvened at 10:52 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Miller. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Rob McFarland, Mayor

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Susie Oppedal, City Clerk