

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 21, 2023

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

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor Pro Tem Koellen called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Koellen recessed the regular meeting for an Executive Session at 7:01 p.m. to discuss current litigation, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The Executive Session was expected to last thirty minutes and videotaping of the meeting ceased.

At 7:29 p.m. it was announced to audience members outside the adjournment room that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional twenty minutes.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – City Council Meeting of February 7, 2023

Payroll – February 3, 2023 – 28597 through **28603**, in the amount of **\$328,921.29**

Checks – February 21, 2023 – 73609 through **73676**, in the amount of **\$1,456,333.94**

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Michele Drov Dahl and Irene Wickstrom, 115 E 4th Street, King County Library System (KCLS) Representatives, provided 2022 statistics on North Bend Library visits and checkouts and a 2021 year in review report for the entire KCLS. They mentioned various programs the library provides such as children's story time at Si View Metropolitan Park District and the Farmers Market, Summer Fest, Life after High School resources, adult book club, adult writers group and Friends of the Library book sales.

Councilmember Miller **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Loudenback to postpone AB23-022 – Ordinance Adopting NBMC 3.78 Multifamily Tax Exemption to the March 21, 2023 City Council meeting. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

Presentation – Police Services Update

Audio: 7:30

Police Chief Phipps provided an update on police services which included discussion on the following items: organization/staffing, calls for service and response times, specific calls for service in North Bend, operations statistics, items of importance (staffing and levels of service, police legislative reform, crisis intervention, officer involvement and significant cases) and goals.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community & Economic Development Committee – Councilmember Miller, Chair
A report of the February 21st meeting was provided.

Finance & Administration Committee – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair
No report. The February 14th meeting was cancelled.

Public Health & Safety Committee – Councilmember Rosen, Chair
A report of the February 7th meeting was provided.

Transportation & Public Works Committee – Councilmember Loudenback, Chair
A report of the January 24th meeting was provided.

Council Workstudy – Mayor Pro Tem Koellen
A report of the February 14th Special Meeting was provided.

Parks Commission
A report of the January 25th meeting was provided.

Planning Commission
A report of the January 18th meeting was provided.

Economic Development Commission
A report of the January 24th meeting was provided.

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting – Councilmember Gothelf
A report of the February 9th meeting was provided.

Snoqualmie Valley Government Association – Councilmember Miller
A report of the January 25th meeting was provided.

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee – Councilmember Loudenback
A report of the February 8th meeting was provided.

Sound Cities Association Board of Health – Councilmember Koellen

A report of the February 16th meeting was provided.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Miller mentioned a possibility for snowy weather and encouraged all to be safe when travelling.

Councilmember Elwood mentioned this weekend was the final production of “I & You” at Valley Center Stage.

City Administrator Miller announced Mike McCarty’s recent promotion to Principal Planner.

Mayor Pro Tem Koellen spoke regarding the following items:

- Housing Action Plan Open House – March 1st 5:30 p.m. @ City Hall

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

ATTEST:

Heather Koellen, Mayor Pro Tem

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk