

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

April 2, 2024

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

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor Miller called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Elwood, Gothelf, Joselyn, Koellen, Rustik, Torguson and Tremolada.

Mayor Miller announced AB24-036 – Motion Authorizing Contract with Republic for Sludge Hauling and AB24-037 – Motion Authorizing 3rd Amendment to G&O Contract would be pulled from tonight's agenda.

Councilmember Rustik requested AB24-034 – Motion Authorizing Contract with Transpo Group be pulled from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Main Agenda for discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – City Council Meetings of March 5, 2024 & March 19, 2024

Payroll – March 20, 2024 – 28787 through 28792, in the amount of **\$291,946.98**

Checks – April 2, 2024 – 75379 through 75442, in the amount of **\$566,708.58**

AB24-033 – Resolution 2102 Accepting River Run Infrastructure Improvements

AB24-035 – Resolution 2103 Authorizing DEA with Mike Day Homes LLC

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Tremolada to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Debra Landers, 14615 438th Ave SE, announced North Bend Art & Industry would be holding the Art off the Rails event on Saturday, June 15th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at William H. Taylor Park.

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE, thanked Council for moving AB24-034 – Motion Authorizing Contract with Transpo Group to the Main Agenda and commented on remote meeting access, Water Conservation Ordinance, development, wildfires, public pools, tree plantings in rivers/riparian areas, and the proposed National Guard Readiness Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

Introduction – Police Captain

Audio: 10:42

Snoqualmie/North Bend Police Chief Lynch introduced new Police Captain Gary Horejsi.

Proclamation – Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Audio: 16:15

Mayor Miller read a proclamation declaring the month of April, 2024 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the City of North Bend.

Presentation – Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank

Audio: 18:38

Executive Director Alison Roberts and Operations Manager Dylan Johnson of the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank provided a presentation on the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank which included individuals/households served, hours of operation, food assistance to Snoqualmie Valley School District children during breaks, connectivity to additional assistance programs (DSHS, Hopelink, North Bend Library, St. Clare's, KidVantage), pet food bank, need for larger space, and volunteer/donation opportunities.

INTRODUCTIONS:

AB24-038 – Ordinance 1806 Amending NBMC 15.02 & Repealing NBMC 15.19

Audio: 41:57

Community & Economic Development Director Deming provided the staff report.

The following individual commented on the agenda item:

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rustik to approve AB24-038, an ordinance amending certain sections of NBMC Chapter 15.02, and repealing NBMC Chapter 15.19 in its entirety, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

AB24-034 – Motion Authorizing Contract with Transpo Group

Audio: 50:54

Deputy City Administrator/Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Joselyn to approve AB24-034, authorizing a contract with Transpo Group for preparation of a City of North Bend ADA Transition Plan for Public Right-of-Way, in a form and content acceptable to the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$89,980. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Elwood welcomed Police Captain Horejsi and thanked the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank for their presentation.

Councilmember Torguson welcomed Police Captain Horejsi and commented on Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank donation options.

Councilmember Koellen noted Recology King County started solid waste and recycling collection services in North Bend on April 1st and spoke regarding the positive customer service experience she recently had with them.

Councilmember Tremolada mentioned the April 19th opening of Tennant Trailhead Park, April 23rd Encompass Inspire Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. at Snoqualmie Casino, and April 26th SnoValley Innovation Center/Empower Youth Network Business Competition for local high school students at Remlinger Farm in Carnation.

Councilmember Rustik commented on follow up from Puget Sound Energy after their power outages presentation at the March 19th City Council meeting and discussion regarding the issue and next steps at today's Public Health & Safety Committee meeting.

Councilmember Joselyn noted proposed improvements to William H. Taylor Park were discussed at the March 26th Council Workstudy.

Councilmember Gothelf commented on the limited impact the Water Conservation Ordinance (WCO) has had on citizens and asked Public Works Director Rigos if anyone had been fined under the WCO. Mr. Rigos stated there had been no fines issued under the WCO. Additionally, Councilmember Gothelf reminded citizens that Eastside Fire & Rescue provides wildfire home assessments for those interested.

Mayor Miller spoke regarding the following items:

- Yard Waste Recycling Program – Saturday, April 6th 8 a.m. to Noon @ Public Works
- April 1st Reopening of Public Works Office located at 1155 E North Bend Way
- “License for the Love of Pets” Pet Licensing Campaign thru June 30th

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Miller recessed the regular meeting for an Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss property acquisition, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). No action was anticipated as a result of the Executive Session, which was expected to last fifteen minutes and videotaping of the meeting ceased.

At 8:20 p.m. it was announced to audience members outside the adjournment room that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional ten minutes.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Koellen. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mary Miller, Mayor

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk