



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2017
7:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem FitzGerald called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Pro Tem FitzGerald led the Council, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. ROLL CALL

City Council

Mayor Matt Hartman	Absent
Steven Glenn	Present
Tom FitzGerald	Present
Erin Hogan	Present
Bruce Straughn	Present

City Staff

City Clerk Darla Reese
City Manager Brent Kirk

Consultants

Thom Graafstra - Weed, Graafstra & Assoc.
Christopher Ferreira - S.C.S.O.
Warren Perkins - Gray & Osborne, Inc.
Ray Sturtz - Community Planning Services

Councilmember Glenn moved to excuse Mayor Hartman due to work. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. AB 126-2017 Approval of September 6, 2017 Minutes**
- B. AB 127-2017 Approval of September 13, 2017 Minutes**
- C. AB 128-2017 Approval of September 20, 2017 Claims Checks #407119 through #407161 totaling \$251,006.60**
- D. AB 129-2017 Approval of Payroll from August 16, 2017 to August 31, 2017 Checks #27040 through #27047 and Twelve EFT's totaling \$58,082.61**

Councilmember Glenn moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Chief Ferreira gave an update on tonight's Coffee with the Chief meeting.

City Manager Kirk discussed the following:

- Railroad Days
 - Police coverage for Railroad Days
 - Parade (he will be driving the Mayor in a car) told Councilmembers to sign up if they also wanted to be in parade
 - City and Police Department will have booths across the street. City will hopefully have architectural plans for the public to view
- School Board meeting tonight – gave them a City update
- Building permits for DR Horton

Council asked questions regarding Explorer Scouts, beer permits and liquor permits for Railroad Days, and the State of the City address.

City Manager Kirk also discussed the proposed City Halloween festivities and the road shutdown between Union and Galena.

Chief Ferreira mentioned they will have Explorers the night of Halloween, and he will also be in attendance. He will provide the Council a Railroad Days report prior to the event.

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

Heidi Hutchins, 215 S. Granite Ave.

Mrs. Hutchins is the President of the Community Coalition. She mentioned the Coalition applied for a Grant from Community Transit and were an agency chosen to receive a van.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. AB 130-2017 Family Center Update

Katherine Jordan & Peggy Ray

Katherine Jordan and Peggy Ray gave an update and discussed available programs at the Granite Falls Family Center.

B. AB 131-2017 Public Hearing – 7:30 PM

For consideration of adoption of the 6-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Councilmember Glenn moved to open the Public Hearing for consideration of adoption of the 6-Year Transportation Improvement Plan. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

City Clerk Reese submitted the following exhibits into the record:

Exhibit 1 – Public Hearing Notice dated September 8, 2017, 1 page

Exhibit 2 – Verification of Public Hearing Posting dated September 8, 2017, 1 page
Exhibit 3 – Affidavit of Publication for the Public Hearing Notice from the Everett Herald dated September 8, 2017, 2 pages
Exhibit 4 –Resolution 2017-09
Exhibit 5 – Letter from Ev Stone

Consultant Engineer Perkins discussed projects included in the 6-Year Transportation Improvement Plan and answered Council questions.

Councilmember Straughn moved to open the public testimony portion for public comment. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

No one from the audience chose to comment on the matter.

Councilmember Hogan moved to close the public testimony portion. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

Council recommended changes:

#7 on TIB List – Remove traffic light and add restriping and realignment.

Councilmember Straughn moved to close the Public Hearing. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Glenn moved to approve Resolution 2017-09, a Resolution of the City of Granite Falls adopting the 6-Year Transportation Improvement Program during the Period 2018-2023. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

C. AB 132-2017 Public Hearing – 7:45 PM

For consideration of changing the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Map designations from General Commercial/GC to Multiple Residential/MR for 10 parcels located west of Jordan Road and North of W. Stanley Street in response to a request by the property owners.

Councilmember Glenn moved to open the Public Hearing for Item 7C. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

Planning Consultant Sturtz, Community Planning Services, 15122 - 169th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223

Planning Consultant Sturtz submitted exhibits into the record, explained the project proposal and answered Council questions.

Councilmember Glenn moved to open the public testimony portion of the Public Hearing. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

No one from the audience chose to comment on the matter.

Councilmember Hogan moved to close the public testimony. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Glenn moved to close the Public Hearing. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

This item will be brought forth for Council deliberations on the meeting of October 18, 2017.

D. AB 133-2017 Public Hearing – 7:45 PM

For consideration of amending the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code to increase the maximum allowed density in the Multiple Residential (MR) zone from 24 to 28 dwelling units per acre only when the subject site is within walking distance of job opportunities & commercial services; and the site has arterial street frontage, on-site recreational facilities, and no on-site environmental constraints.

Councilmember Glenn moved to open the Public Hearing for consideration of amending the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code as written in the Agenda. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

Planning Consultant Sturtz, Community Planning Services, 15122 - 169th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223

Planning Consultant Sturtz submitted exhibits into the record, explained the project proposal and answered Council questions.

He handed to the Council a revised Exhibit 2 that was corrected due to multiple spelling errors.

Councilmember Glenn moved to open the public testimony portion of the Public Hearing. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

Julie Brown, 11913-180th Avenue NE, Arlington, WA

Mrs. Brown spoke in opposition of the amendment.

Councilmember Glenn moved to close the public testimony portion of the Public Hearing. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Glenn moved to close the Public Hearing. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

This item will be brought forth for Council deliberations on the meeting of October 18, 2017.

E. AB 134-2017 Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 936-2017 – Budget Amendment #4 – Stanley St. Property Acquisition

Councilmember Glenn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 936-2017, an Ordinance of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, relating to the 2017 City Budget; and amending Ordinance No. 919-2016 adopting the 2017 Budget to adjust revenue estimates and appropriations for funds as included on Exhibit 'A'. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

8. CURRENT BUSINESS

There were no items for Current Business.

9. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

There were no Mayor's comments as he was excused from tonight's meeting.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember FitzGerald comments included the following items:

- Attended tonight's School Board meeting and reported on what was discussed
- Requested candidates from both the High School and Alternative High School for the AWC Scholarship
- SCC/SCT dinner on Wednesday night
- Retreat on Saturday, 9am at City Hall
- Chamber meeting tomorrow at 9am at the Buzz Inn
- Recognized EV Stone for her letter & pictures

Councilmember Glenn asked about an updated map showing the entire City-owned properties.

Councilmember Hogan will be attending WA State Reading Corps training on October 2nd-4th and will miss the Council meeting. She also will not be attending the Council meeting on Saturday as she will be out of town.

Councilmember Straughn comments included the following items:

- Public hearings times and public notices
- Hearing examiner costs
- Questioned Agenda for Saturday's meeting and wording
- Concerns regarding the waterline project on Anderson

11. CITY MANAGER

City Manager Kirk had no additional comments.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem FitzGerald adjourned the meeting.

City Clerk Darla Reese, MMC

Mayor Matthew Hartman