



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

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

City Staff

City Clerk Darla Reese
City Manager Brent Kirk

Consultants

Tom Graafstra - Weed, Graafstra & Assoc.
Warren Perkins - Gray & Osborne, Inc.

Councilmember Glenn moved to excuse Councilmember FitzGerald from tonight’s meeting due to vacation. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. AB 180-2017 Approval of November 15, 2017 Minutes**
- B. AB 181-2017 Approval of December 20, 2017 Claims Checks #407361 through #407403 and One EFT totaling \$114,966.01**
- C. AB 182-2017 Approval of Payroll from November 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017 Checks #27069 through #27075 and Twelve EFT’s totaling \$49,172.82**

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

5. STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Hartman thanked the Family Center for the report they provided.

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

No one from the audience chose to comment during this portion of the meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. AB 183-2017 Administration of Oaths of Office to:
Steven A. Glenn – City of Granite Falls Position #1
Bruce Straughn – City of Granite Falls Position #2**

City Clerk Reese administered the Oaths of Office to both Councilmembers Glenn and Straughn.

- B. AB 184-2017 Consideration of Re-Appointment of Fred Cruger to the City's Planning Commission Retroactive to January 2, 2016 for a 6-Year Term to expire on January 2, 2022**

Mayor Hartman moved to nominate Fred Cruger for Planning Commission Chair.

Councilmember Hogan moved to re-appoint Fred Cruger to the City's Planning Commission retroactive to January 2, 2016 for a six-year term to expire on January 2, 2022. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

- C. AB 185-2017 Consideration of Re-Appointment of Ron Stephenson to the City's Planning Commission for a 6-Year Term to expire on January 2, 2023**

Mayor Hartman moved to re-appoint Ron Stephenson to the City's Planning Commission for a six-year term to end on January 2, 2023.

Councilmember Glenn moved to confirm the appointment of Ron Stephenson to the City's Planning Commission Board (Seat 2) for a six-year term to end on January 2, 2023. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

*Mayor Hartman asked to have a Council/Planning Commission meeting soon to go over 2018 items.

- D. AB 186-2017 Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 941-2017 authorizing the Mayor to sign an Interlocal Agreement creating Snohomish County 911, a Countywide Consolidated Public Emergency Communications Agency.**

Councilmember Hogan moved authorize the City of Granite Falls to sign on as an 'Associate' agency with Snohomish County 911, adopt Ordinance No. 941-2017 and authorize the Mayor or his designee to sign all necessary documents. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

E. AB 187-2017 Approval of 2018 per Capita Funding for the Snohomish County Health District

Consultant City Attorney Graafstra pointed out for the record that one of the City Councilmembers is an employee of the Snohomish Health District. He has looked at the issue of his participation and voting on the issue and concluded it would not be a conflict of interest. He also looked at the law if this would be considered a “Special Privilege” that benefits him and has concluded it is not. So as a legal matter, Councilmember Straughn does not need to recuse himself from presence during discussion to participate during discussion or voting on this matter.

Councilmember Glenn moved to approve funding of \$1.00 per capita (\$3,495) as budgeted for the Snohomish County Health District for 2018 through execution of an ILA and authorize the City Manager to sign. Councilmember Hogan seconded.

Councilmember Straughn asked for a roll call vote:

Mayor Hartman – Aye

Councilmember Glenn – Aye

Councilmember Hogan – Aye

Councilmember Straughn – Abstained

Motion carried.

F. AB 188-2017 Consideration of Approval of BIAS Contract for 2018 Software Services

Councilmember Glenn moved to approve the annual contract with BIAS Software for 2018 support services and authorize the City Manager to sign. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

G. AB 189-2017 Consideration of Dan Rankin as Board of Health Representative for 2018 for the Cities of Arlington, Stanwood, Darrington and Granite Falls

Councilmember Hogan moved to confirm the Mayor’s signature on a letter designating Darrington Mayor Dan Rankin as the City’s Representative to the Snohomish Board of Health for 2018. Councilmember Glenn seconded.

Councilmember Straughn asked for a roll call vote:

Mayor Hartman – Aye

Councilmember Glenn – Aye

Councilmember Hogan – Aye

Councilmember Straughn – Abstained

Motion carried.

H. AB 190-2017 Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 940-2017 Budget Amendment #5

Councilmember Straughn moved to approve Budget Amendment #5. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Hartman asked about the tabled item regarding Crime Stoppers that was supposed to be added on this Agenda. City Clerk Reese informed the Council that the City still has not received a contract from them. Therefore, this item will not be placed on the Agenda until that comes.

8. CURRENT BUSINESS

A. AB 179-2017 Approval of 2018 Legislative Objectives

Councilmember Glenn moved to approve the 2018 City of Granite Falls Legislative Agenda. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

Staff requested to add an Item 11A – Executive Session for Potential Litigation for 10 minutes.

Councilmember Straughn moved to add an Item 11A – Executive Session for Potential Litigation for 10 minutes. Councilmember Hartman seconded. Motion carried.

9. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Hartman discussed the following items:

- Email received regarding upcoming meeting with the School Board at the Library
- Discussed a letter to the Editor in the Herald newspaper this week from a number of North County Mayors regarding the trestle and funding the west-bound repair
- Discussion in barber shop regarding City direction and view points
- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and happy holidays

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Glenn enjoyed seeing Santa on the fire truck and all the volunteers. He hoped the food drive went well and mentioned the additional communication helped.

Councilmember Hogan mentioned those who played Santa this year, stated Darla was the Santa tracker and informed her that the food collected over the weekend totaled 1,317 pounds. She also gave an update on the Santa House and how many families were helped.

Councilmember Straughn wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! He also noted at 8:28 AM tomorrow, we begin our trip back to the good side of the sun = longer days.

11. CITY MANAGER

City Manager Kirk had the following comments:

- Issued five new permits for Suncrest Farms today
- Got a 54-unit apartment building submittal
- Upcoming discussion (first meeting in January) regarding multi-family GFC's and when due
- ERU's –change .778 ratios for sewer and water both?
- Architect is at 20% plans completion – wants to meet with Council in January
- Want to have plans completed in February so we can go out to bid on the Civic Center in March
 - flag location inside or outside
 - open house date
- Newsletter going out in utility bills that will spotlight Charles White as an employee
 - Focus on Civic Center
 - Talk about the purchase of the train property
 - Police Department relocation
 - Food Bank relocation

*Audience input – fundraising questions

11A. EXECUTIVE SESSION

8:05 PM –

Councilmember Glenn moved to enter into Executive Session for ten minutes. Councilmember Straughn seconded. Motion carried.

12. ADJOURNMENT

8:15 PM –

Mayor Hartman adjourned the meeting.

City Clerk Darla Reese, MMC

Mayor Matthew Hartman