



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 5, 2018
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
Wastewater Treatment Plant Sup Lyle Bjornson
<u>Consultants</u>

Thomas Graafstra - Weed, Graafstra & Assoc.
Jeff Balentine – Belenus Solutions, LLC
Warren Perkins – Gray & Osborne, Inc.

Councilmember Glenn moved to excuse Councilmember Hartman. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Straughn moved to move New Business Item 7A to the end of 7, and slide everything else up one. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hogan. Motion carried.

Councilmember Straughn moved to add an Executive Session as Item 11A per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) for the purpose of discussion of real estate where if disclosed would increase price. Councilmember Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. AB 113-2018 Approval of July 5, 2018 Minutes**
- B. AB 114-2018 Approval of September 5, 2018 Claims Checks #407990 through #408038 and Three EFTs totaling \$955,929.53**

- C. **AB 115-2018 Approval of Payroll from August 1, 2018 to August 15, 2018, checks #27161 through #27163 (voiding check #27162 and voiding a payroll transaction) and Nine EFTs totaling \$22,668.89**

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

5. STAFF REPORTS

City Manager Kirk discussed the following items:

- Civic Center meeting tomorrow
- Bought a speed limit radar sign (currently using on Gun Club Rd.), ticketing and mentioned that the sign records information. This sign will be moved around into different areas.
- Nate Nehring = Surplus REET money – want to use for Frank Mason Park (add paved parking lot, 2 new light poles and upgrade bathrooms)
- Welwest to start construction next week on Union Ave.
- Chief will be absent from tonight’s meeting – will give a written report for the next meeting as he will also be absent then.

City Clerk Reese answered Council question regarding a duplicate entry on a residential permit. She also gave an update on the permits and business licenses.

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

Robert Gallagher, 804 Darwin’s Way, Granite Falls, WA 98252

Mr. Gallagher asked if the Council would consider giving a 25% water discount to those that are not using the minimal amount. He stated he realizes that the sewer is the largest cost of the bill.

Catherine Anderson, 301 S. Granite Ave., Granite Falls

Here on behalf of the Pilchuck Foundation’s new President, Nikki Lemke, and the Board of Directors to speak about the proposed contract with the Sheriff’s office.

- The Pilchuck Foundation stated they are in favor of the new contract and recommends the City Council approve the contract.
 - Also stated they commend the City Manager’s role in making sure the contract meets the needs in our growing city.

Pilchuck Foundation Update:

- Raising funds to issue grants for police and fire needs
- On September 12th the CERT training will be starting and will have 25 volunteers at the Fire District

- Launching the “Map Your Neighborhood” program; neighborhood meetings – where neighbors get together to prepare in the event of an emergency
- Hearts of Gold Event on February 9th – Hoping the new City Hall is finished so it can be hosted there

Jennifer Rancourt, 15133 – 72nd Dr. NW, Stanwood (per sign-in sheet)

Mrs. Rancourt introduced herself and mentioned she is running for Cascade District Court Judge

7. NEW BUSINESS

- B. AB 117-2018 Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 954-2018 an Ordinance of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, relating to the 2018 City Budget; and amending Ordinance No. 939-2017 adopting the 2018 Budget to adjust revenue estimates and appropriations for funds as included on Exhibit ‘A’.**

Councilmember Glenn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 954-2018, an Ordinance of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, relating to the 2018 City Budget; and amending Ordinance No. 939-2017 adopting the 2018 Budget to adjust revenue and appropriations for funds as included in Exhibit ‘A’. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

- C. AB 118-2018 Consideration of Approval of Contract with Snohomish County Sheriff for Law Enforcement Services.**

Councilmember Straughn moved to approve Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the City of Granite Falls for Law Enforcement Services and authorize the City Manager to sign. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

- D. AB 119-2018 Discussion of Sewer Plant Operational Upgrades**

Consultant Engineer Warren Perkins, City Manager Brent Kirk and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Lyle Bjornson all discussed upgrades at the treatment plant with the Council.

- A. AB 116-2018 Consideration of Approval of Public Works Board Pre-Construction Loan Contract for Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades.**

Councilmember Glenn moved to approve Public Works Pre-Construction Loan Contract #PR18-96103-057 and authorize the City Manager to sign. Councilmember FitzGerald seconded. Motion Failed.

8. CURRENT BUSINESS

There were no Current Business items for the Agenda.

9. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Hartman was absent from the meeting.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember FitzGerald had no comments.

Councilmember Glenn had no comments.

Councilmember Hogan had no comments.

Councilmember Straughn asked to have at a future meeting: GMA obligations requirements for planning for growth versus paying for growth and what separates the two.

11. CITY MANAGER

City Manager Kirk had the following comments:

- Snohomish County Tomorrow (SCT) Annual Assembly Meeting – September 26th
- Budget update will be on the first meeting in October
- Financial Forecast out at the end of the month
- Council retreat in October?

11A. EXECUTIVE SESSION per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) for the purpose of discussion of real estate where, if disclosed, would increase price.

Councilmember FitzGerald stated the Council was now going to enter into a ten-minute Executive Session.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem FitzGerald adjourned the meeting.

City Clerk Darla Reese, MMC

Mayor Matthew Hartman