



TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

June 9, 2020

Remote Meeting via Zoom

PRESENT: Mayor Gillem, Councilmembers Paula Dix, Aletha Howes, Hans Juhle, and Tom Stowe.

EXCUSED: None.

STAFF: Clerk/Treasurer Sue Ann Spens.

GUESTS: None.

MINUTES: Councilmember Dix moved to approve the May 12, 2020 minutes.

Councilmember Stowe seconded.

Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Councilmember Howes moved to approve the Final June 9, 2020 Claims Register for check numbers 15492 through 15509 in the amount of \$19,707.24. Councilmember Dix seconded.

Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT:

COMPLAINTS ABOUT LARGE VEHICLES PARKING ALONG RIGHTS-OF-WAY:

Clerk/Treasurer Spens shared continued reports of vehicles parked throughout the Village without leaving the required 10 feet of clearance. She added that often these are large vehicles with utility trailers operated by landscapers. Because the vehicles themselves are large and are extra long with the trailer, they struggle to get both off the paved roadway when parking. This leaves just enough room for a car to squeeze by, but certainly not an emergency vehicle.

The Town has relied on the Town Marshal to handle enforcement of the Town's parking rules using "soft enforcement" techniques. Soft enforcement involves contacting the household that seems to be the cause of the problem and explaining our rules and the reasons for them. Unfortunately, some offenders have become belligerent about this enforcement, which prove to be more of a challenge than a volunteer Town Marshals wishes to tackle. She suggested that the Council may want to consider asking the King County Sheriff to take over this enforcement. She also asked for other suggestions.

On discussion, councilmembers asked Clerk/Treasurer Spens to write a brief note for the upcoming newsletter letting asking residents to notify her when they see a parking problem. They should include information about the owner or operator of the vehicle (if known), the location of the vehicle, and any other helpful information. Ms. Spens can then write to the owner explaining the situation and the Town's parking rules. The newsletter note should also mention that the Council is considering asking for enforcement support from the Sheriff.

2021 – 2026 CIP / TIP: Clerk/Treasurer Spens reminded the Council that it is time to prepare the Town’s Six-Year CIP / TIP. Councilmember Juhle offered to prepare a draft version using the current plan as a template. Clerk/Treasurer Spens will send him a copy.

MARSHAL’S REPORT: No report. Mayor Gillem reported that the Town received an update, of sorts, from the KCSO Marine Unit regarding replacing our missing buoys. The unit is in the planning stages for replacements. Mayor Gillem noted that we are now missing at least 3 buoys. Councilmember Stowe mentioned that it may be four missing; he will verify.

WATER REPORT: Nothing to report. Councilmember Stowe noted that the main water-supply line from the well to the storage tank may be impacted by the Stormwater Upgrade Project, but he will not be sure until construction is underway.

WABA REPORT: No WABA representative attended the meeting. Councilmember Stowe noted that BARF racing starts June 10th.

APPEARANCES: None.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN: Councilmember Howes reviewed the plan, highlighting the updates she included. She will bring a final plan forward to the Council in July for adoption by resolution.

STORMWATER UPGRADE PROJECT STATUS REPORT: Councilmember Stowe reported the following milestones:

- The Town has issued Bonner Brothers Construction a Notice to Proceed effective June 8th.
- The anticipated start date is June 15th. Construction is expected to take three weeks spread over a six-week window.
- Bonner Brothers will work 4 or 5 days per week, depending on holidays, with no work on the weekend.
- He has submitted a reimbursement request in the amount of \$30,000 for preliminary work that was completed in advance of construction.
- The project will need traffic mitigation. He plans to have a stop sign installed on southbound 104th Ave SE at SE 27th Street. The Council can decide later whether to remove the sign when the project is complete.
- He will arrange for a reminder to be sent to affected residents about the start date and work window.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

STREET TASKS: Councilmember Stowe is trying to find someone to perform the street-related tasks that Bill Beck used to perform, e.g. installing name signs, cleaning street signs, cleaning the space around fire hydrants, etc.

COMPLAINT ABOUT POLITICAL POSTINGS ON MAILSTANDS: Councilmember

Stowe reported receiving a complaint about a political posting on the mailstands. Mayor Gillem and Councilmember Howes will discuss how to handle after the meeting. Clerk/Treasurer Spens noted that the Town's Zoning Code specifies that all advertising, which include political signs, may only be posted on private property. She added that this rule was created to eliminate the proliferation of political signs that were appearing on Town rights-of-way in years past.

TOWN CLEAN UP: Councilmember Dix reported that the Town's Spring Clean-up was a success. She noted that special thanks go to Tom Garvey, Paul Driftmeyer, and Aaron Sharp for installing a railing on the 103rd Steps.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT: Mayor Gillem reported that James McCarthy has agreed to fill the Council vacancy; however, due to the time that has elapsed since the position became vacant, the King County Council has to give final approval to the appointment. He asked the Council to move to recommend that the King County Council appoint Mr. McCarthy to Council Position No. 2 for a two-year term expiring on 12/31/21. In November 2021, Mr. McCarthy can run for the remainder of the Position's 4-year term.

MOTION: Councilmember Juhle moved to recommend that the King County Council appoint Mr. McCarthy to Council Position No. 2 for a two-year term expiring on 12/31/21. Councilmember Howes seconded.

Mayor Gillem noted that once the County Council makes this appointment, he has a replacement in the works to fill the Planning Commission vacancy created by Mr. McCarthy's move to the Council.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm on Tuesday July 14, 2020. Based on King County's current status in the Safe Start plan, this is likely to again be a remote meeting, and posted agendas will provide information for public participation.

ADJOURN: Councilmember Howes moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. Councilmember Dix seconded.

Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ann Spens
Clerk-Treasurer