

CITY OF WHITEHALL  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Council Chambers  
July 25, 2023

PRESENT: Scott Brown, Dick Connell, Keith Heidelberg, Jeff Holmstrom, Sean Mullally, Steve Salter, and Steve Sikkenga

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Huebler, Brenda Bourdon, and Will Meier

Mayor Salter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Sikkenga, seconded by Mullally, CARRIED, to approve the amended agenda. All yeses

#### APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the July 11 Work Session & Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Accounts Payable - \$684,511.13
- C. Communications: Central Dispatch Minutes

Motion by Connell, seconded by Holmstrom, CARRIED, to approve the Consent Agenda. Yes – 6; No – 1, Brown; Absent – None

#### MESSAGES FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND CITY MANAGER

Comments were received from the City Manager, Mayor and Council.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Kim Cyr provided updates for the County Commission. Lillian Morningstar reported that the Senior Center shows movies.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Climate Mobilization Action Plan Adoption

Motion by Heidelberg, seconded by Brown, CARRIED, to adopt the Climate Mobilization Action Plan as presented. Yes – 6; No – 1, Sikkenga; Absent – None

- B. Ordinance 23-02 Deer Culling

Motion by Holmstrom, seconded by Mullally, CARRIED, to approve the ordinance regulating deer control by allowing bowhunting under certain requirements.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Holmstrom, Mullally, Connell, Sikkenga, Heidelberg, Brown, and Salter;  
No – None; Absent – None

C. Summer Closure of N. Mears Avenue

Motion by Heidelberg, seconded by Holmstrom, CARRIED, to approve the closure of the N. Mears Avenue for this weekend's events (7/28 – 7/29). All yeses

After discussing the impact of closing N. Mears Avenue for the summer, no consensus was reached. A few members (Salter, Holmstrom, Mullally) want to close the street to create additional gathering areas for visitors; the others (Brown, Connell, Sikkenga, Heidelberg) felt it was only necessary to close the road when special events are held there. A request was made to move it to a work session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tamara Horne thanked the council for adopting the Climate Mobilization Action Plan. Lillian Morningstar asked for an update on the fishing ramp at the marina.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Salter adjourned the Council Meeting at 6:57 pm.

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Steven Salter, Mayor

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Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk