



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon January 27th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Present were, Shelly Farnham, Todd Brunner and Gene Egan, Larry Johnson and Frank Martin.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:03PM.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Mayor Henry Sladek removed the Water Rate Discussion and added Reykdal Water/Sewer Applications. Councilmember Frank Martin to approve with changes, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 12/10 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve, Councilmember Todd Brunner seconded, all in favor.

Approval of Claims: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve all claims, Councilmember Larry Johnson seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report:

- Skykomish Hotel assignment from Keith Maehlum to Todd Brunner.
- Aydelotte case is ongoing: 2-day deposition last week with the Clerk, Mayor and former Mayor.
- Storm/Power Outage: King County meeting 1/29 with Emergency Management and Skykomish Fire Department. Community meeting planned for a later date.

Swearing in Councilmembers #3: Councilmember Larry Johnson was sworn in.

Skykomish Hotel Lease Assignment: Keith Maehlum would like to execute his right to transfer the Master Lease to a 3rd party, Todd Brunner, to continue restoration through personal and grant funding. Our Lawyer has reviewed the Master Lease and advised it is a legal transaction. Council may choose not to allow the transfer due to the appearance of fairness. Councilmember Todd Brunner is prepared to resign from Council if the transfer is not allowed.

Water Rate Discussion: Moved to 2/10 meeting.

Broadband Feasibility Planning Study Grant Acceptance: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to accept the grant of \$50,000 with no Town match required, Councilmember Todd Brunner seconded, all in favor.

2019 Budget Amendment:

Councilmember Todd Brunner motioned to approve the 2019 Budget Amendment, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Water & Sewer Connection Applications: Councilmember Todd Brunner motioned to approve the Water and Sewer applications, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, Larry Johnson abstains because he sold the property, all others in favor.

Councilmember Gene Egan had a prior obligation and left at 6:27pm

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Skykomish Hotel Lease Assignment to a 3rd Party
- State Auditor Office (SAO) Exit Conference
- Water Rate Discussion

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30pm. Councilmember Todd Brunner motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon February 10th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Present were, Shelly Farnham, and Gene Egan, Larry Johnson and Frank Martin. Todd Brunner has resigned.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Shelly Farnham added Short Term Rental Update to the end of the Agenda. Councilmember Frank Martin to approve with changes, Councilmember Larry Johnson seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 1/27 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Larry Johnson motioned to approve with changes to the Skykomish Hotel Lease Assignment section, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Approval of Claims: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve all claims, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report:

- Storm/Power Outage: King County meeting 2/11 with Emergency Management, Skykomish Fire Department, Skykomish School District, King County Sheriff's Office, WA Department of Transportation, King County Roads and staff. Community meeting planned for 2/20, 5-6pm with plans for Kathy Lambert to be in attendance.
- Skykomish Hotel assignment from Keith Maehlum to Todd Brunner is near complete. This transaction resulted in Councilmember Todd Brunner resignation

due to the appearance of fairness. Councilmember position #1 is now vacant and the open position will be posted to the public this week.

- BNSF Engine donation update: Moving quotes have been acquired and will have more updates at the next meeting. Out of the three locations, one will be much more due to the need for cranes. All the details are being taken into consideration. A private source has offered a substantial donation.
- Short Term Rentals Update: The letter for Short Term Rental owners will go out this month. The Planning Commission has not met due to several power outages during their normal meeting times delaying the Draft Ordinance for Council. Their next meeting is 2/17.

Skykomish Hotel Lease Assignment: Keith Maehlum executed his right to transfer the Master Lease to a 3rd party, Todd Brunner, to continue restoration through personal and grant funding.

State Auditor Office (SAO) Exit Conference: A Council Workshop or Executive Session will be scheduled.

Water & Sewer Rate Discussion: There are Council workshop(s) scheduled with Gray & Osborne regarding increases. The last Water increase was for \$10.00 in 2014 and Sewer has been raised 3x by \$1.00 since 2007. Sewer rates were increased \$1, effective to the January billing. Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve the 2020 increase, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Water & Sewer Rate Discussion
- Short Term Rentals Update
- Personnel Policies - Chapter 2.20.20, Mayor Salary

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:11pm. Larry Johnson motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon May 18th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan exited the meeting at 5:54pm

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:02PM.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Mayor Sladek added Skykomish Hotel Sale and King County Transfer Station Contract to the end of the Agenda. Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve with changes, Councilmember Larry Johnson seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 3/9 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Approval of April Claims: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve, Councilmember Larry Johnson seconded, all in favor.

Approval of May Claims: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report – 3/28/2020:

- Council Action
 - Council Position open with one applicant.
 - Approve Claims/Payroll
 - Potential Shot Term Rental Moratorium

- Update Water/Sewer Charges
- Water Plan Update
- Council Updates:
 - Town Financial Status and Forecast vs. 2020 Budget
 - Anticipate reduction in Property and Business Taxes
 - 2019 Annual Financial Report due 5/29
 - COVID-19 has affected the Town including businesses and general community activity level. Town Hall is posting daily updates on the Town Hall Facebook page and some to our public posting locations, when appropriate. Council will not be meeting in April due to the current restrictions. Anticipating a May meeting.
 - Short Term Rentals introduction letter went out 3/5/2020. Another letter regarding non-essential business operation went out 3/30/2020. Awaiting the Draft Ordinance from the Planning Commission when they're able to meet.
 - PSRC Highway 2 Roundabout Grant
 - SD9 Engine relocation
 - Gray & Osborne
 - East Cascade Study Project
 - Water & Sewer Management Contract
 - Update Development Code
 - Short Term Rentals
 - Clarify/Reinforce development permit applicant costs
 - Develop initial meeting with estimate of fees
 - Reinforce/Establish fines and fees for violations
 - Tiny Homes
- Administration Items:
 - Time has been dedicated to COVID-19 updates
 - Town Hall is open to the public currently but, in person contact is discouraged with encouragement towards use of Drop box, Email and Phone contact instead.
 - SAO Audit Exit items still ongoing
 - Winter Storm After Action Review (AAR) meetings and follow-up ongoing
 - No new update to legal proceedings with Mr. Aydelotte.
 - Skykomish Hotel Insurance
 - Working with Risk management Service Agency (RMSA) and attorney
 - Tree Cutting violation
 - Letters sent to property owner with input from BHC and Attorney
 - Broadband Feasibility Study Grant Application was made possible by the Sky Tech Committee

- Most Summer Town Events have been Cancelled due to COVID-19 concerns. Updates will be posted as they are decided.
- Highway 2 Construction currently taking place for bridge repairs

Skykomish Hotel Sale: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

King County Transfer Station Agreement: Councilmember Larry Johnson motioned to approve, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Port of Seattle Grant Acceptance: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve \$5,000 grant with \$2,500 Town matching funds + \$2,500 Town in-kind matching funds, Councilmember Larry Johnson seconded, all in favor.

Mayor Pro Tempore Vote: Councilmember Larry Johnson motioned to nominate Frank Martin, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Water Plan
- Short Term Rentals Update
- Emergency Management

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:58pm. Larry Johnson motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon July 13th , 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:016pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve with changes, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 5/18 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Approval of June Claims: Councilmember Larry Johnson motioned to approve, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report – 6/8/20:

- Council Action
 - Council Position open with one applicant
 - No Short Term Rental updates until Planning Commission meets to take the next steps
 - Update Water/Sewer Charges

- Council Updates:
 - Town Financial Status and Forecast
 - Looking into limitations of State/Federal support

- 2020 Budget Review after 2nd quarter numbers are in – late July/early August
 - 2019 Annual Financial Report due 6/17 with extension and on track to be completed on time.
- COVID-19 continues to affect the Town including businesses and general community activity level.
- PSRC Highway 2 Roundabout Grant – Met with WSDOT and Transpogroup with Councilmember Gene Egan.
- Gray & Osborne
 - After reviewing billings, we have found we are spending roughly the same amount as our previous contracted Water/Wastewater Superintendent
- Administration Items:
 - Skykomish Hotel sale is final
 - Town Hall is closed to the public until King County Phase 3. Encouragement towards use of Drop box, Email and Phone contact instead.
 - Working with Councilmember Frank Martin on tiny home issue
 - Finalizing the cancellation of the 4th of July Ballpark

Water Plan: Moved to future in-person meeting.

Short Term Rentals Update: STRs are not supposed to be operating until Phase 3 in WA state. Town Hall and Mayor have continued to update and give guidance to STR owners as calls and emails are received.

Emergency Management: Moved to future in-person meeting.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Short Term Rentals Update
- Emergency Management
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:53pm. Gene Egan motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon July 13th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:16pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve with changes, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 6/8 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval of July Claims: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report – 7/10/20:

- Council Position open but still looking for interested candidates
- Short Term Rental update next meeting – 7/27
- Update Water/Sewer Charges
- COVID-19 continues to affect the Town including businesses and general community activity level.
- PSRC Highway 2 Roundabout Grant – Councilmember Gene Egan and I have re-engaged with WSDOT and are working on next steps. We will update the Council we proceed.
- Water Plan Adoption

- Would like to set up a Workshop with all or some of the Council to work with Gray & Osborne to accept and finalize the plan.
- Cascade Highway East Grant Project
 - Need to meet with Gray & Osborne to get updated and consider options for proceeding.
- SD9 Engine Relocation
 - We received \$21,000 to move the engine to either of the two spots identified.
 - GoFundMe account has raised \$8,300
 - The Town is exploring County and State or Preservation Grants to cover the additional money needed to fill the gap and have a \$30,000 reserve account for ongoing and reoccurring maintenance
 - Council/Town considering contributing
 - Even with some opposition there is substantial support inside and outside Skykomish
 - Hoping to come to an agreement so we can bridge the gap of funds to place the engine as a tribute to the rich and vast Railroad history of Skykomish
- State Auditor Management Letter update
 - Follow up needed on the remaining \$2,000 vacation overpayment that happened over several years. Unlikely
 - The main Audit concern was that it does not happen again
- Town Budget impact of COVID-19
 - There will be a financial impact of 5-20%
 - With our discretionary budget revenue at about \$100,000, we're looking at a decrease in \$5,000 - \$20,000
 - As time passes, we will be able to identify the final impact as we begin working on 2021 budget in the Fall
- Forest Service Compound future use and development
 - We should begin working on identifying the highest and best use of the property for the benefit of the Town
- Update Development Regulations, Rate and Fees
 - We need a comprehensive look at our development code, regulations and the associated rates and fees for new development.
 - Currently outdated
- Emergency management Plan Update
 - Councilmember Shelly Farnham has worked on updating the current plan
 - Review, comment and adoption needed
- High Speed Internet

- Sky Tech Committee meeting virtually on 7/27 regarding \$50,000 planning grant to review bids.
- Ballpark Campground
 - Rates have been updated from \$10 to \$15/night in June
 - Another update should be visited to increase amenities and attractiveness to campers
 - Additional and/or updated restrooms and adding showers suggested
 - Should consider becoming more actively supportive with Skiers, Railroad enthusiasts, PCT hikers, etc.
- Aydelotte Litigation
 - No new developments due to Covid-19 effects on Court schedules

Personnel Policies Update to Chapter 2.20: Councilmember Larry Johnson motioned to approve the changes, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Short Term Rentals Update: Moved to 7/27 meeting.

Donation Acceptance for Public Drinking Fountain and Bicycle Rack: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve the changes, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Short Term Rentals Update
- Emergency Management
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:14pm. Gene Egan motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

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Mon July 27th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve with changes, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 7/13 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Short Term Rentals Update/Moratorium: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve a 6-month STR Moratorium, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all but Larry Johnson in favor.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Emergency Management
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:53pm. Gene Egan motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Larry Johnson seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon August 10th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve with changes, Councilmember Larry Johnson seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 7/27 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report 8/10/20:

- The local bear population has been an ongoing issue. We've taken steps to reduce their prevalence lately.
 - The USFS has donated bear cans to use around town.
 - We've asked folks to leave their garbage in until morning of garbage pickup
 - Maintenance has begun picking up later in the morning to give folks time to get their garbage out instead of putting it out the night before.
- The Short Term Rental Moratorium is in effect but a letter has not been mailed out yet until we can confirm some verbiage but a letter will go out this week 8/10.
 - We are trying to determine who has business licenses to have accurate information for enforcement.

- A fine of \$300 per day exists in our current code for operating without a business license.
- The Skykomish Hotel would like to replace the windows so a meeting with the Design Review Board is required. An informal first meeting is being scheduled to get started with that process due to it being in the Historical District.
- The Highway 2 Roundabout project will not see any traction until funds become available in September.
 - WSDOT will be involved in the design phase but we will monitor closely to ensure they are fulfilling the scope and needs in a timely manner. The state Transportation Improvement Board will also be involved as advocates when/if needed.
- A meeting with Gray & Osborne this month to cover any to-do items for the Town. There will be an update at the September meeting.

Flood Damage Prevention updates to Chapter 16.10: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve the changes, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Broadband Feasibility Study Contract: Councilmember Larry Johnson motioned to approve the contract, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Emergency Management
- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:44pm. Gene Egan motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon September 14th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:01pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve with changes, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 8/10 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report 9/14/20:

- Short Term Rentals
 - Communication with 12 of 16 known STRs
 - 2 of 16 found to not be licensed and have been informed of their status
 - Virtual Public Hearing 9/25 at 2pm
 - PC will meet to consider Draft Ordinance and Permitting Steps
- Highway 2 Roundabout – PSRC Grant
 - Virtual Meeting with WSDOT to discuss accountability concerns as the planning/engineering will be performed by WSDOT
 - Funding available this Fall and will move forward then
- Water Plan, Gray & Osborne and East Cascade Highway Flood Project
 - Councilmembers Frank Martin, Gene Egan and Mayor Sladek held a discussion with Adam of Gray & Osborne.

- A follow-up is planned to bring recommendations to the Council for the Water Plan
- **Broadband Internet Access**
 - Met with Sky Tech Committee for updates of the Broadband Grant
 - Met with Zply Fiber regarding existing service status and Town needs
- **Operations Update**
 - Bear Activity has lessened with 10am late pick up and weather changes
 - Design Review Board met to discuss Skykomish Hotel permit approval
 - Mayor has filled in with Maintenance as needed when shorthanded. Will need to hire Part Time helper.
 - Campground Tree Accident it being handed by our insurance
 - Annual Sewer Report is due and being worked on and Department of Health is being accommodating.
 - Need to meet with Ecology for a cleanup update
 - Iron Goat Trail Contract is being finalized with WSDOT
 - Town Hall now has a generator hooked up for power outage issues
 - Someone is painting fire hydrants which is against regulations. They are being repainted
 - Masks provided by King County have been distributed to business and community members. More are available at Town hall if needed.

Personnel Policies Update to Chapter 2.20: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve the updates adding 2-hour call out, Comp Time and Payday Draws, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Vision Statement Review: Councilmember Larry Johnson discussed how Short Term Rentals impact our Vision Plan and would like more discussion from the Council.

Sky Tech Committee Update: Councilmember Shelly Farnham discussed the Broadband Feasibility Study Grant. Magellan Advisors is working directly with the Sky Tech Committee during the planning phase. Their next meeting is 10/12 with Magellan-Advisors.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Emergency Management
- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:17pm. Larry Johnson motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon October 12th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve as drafted, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 9/14 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve minutes as drafted, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval of October Claims: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report 10/12/20:

- Short Term Rentals
 - Virtual Public Hearing held 9/25 at 2pm with no new and significant input from the public.
 - STRs excluded are Cascadia & One Mish because any business is allowed in the Commercial District. Focus will be on Residential STRs.
 - Two STRs have been notified they are operating under noncompliance and cannot apply for a STR permit until after 1/27/21 when the Moratorium expires.

- PC will meet 1-2x/month to complete Draft Ordinance and Permitting suggestions to Council.
- Emergency Management Plan
 - We are working with the Fire Chief, King County and Washington State officials finalizing the EMP.
- Highway 2 Roundabout – PSRC Grant
 - No new progress however a progress report to State and Federal officials is required for federal funding once the funding becomes available.
- Water Plan, Gray & Osborne and East Cascade Highway Flood Project
 - No new updates.
- Broadband Internet Access
 - Attended first virtual status meeting with Magellan and State about survey implementation.
- Operations Update
 - Aydelotte case updates from Insurance and Attorney.
 - No update from Insurance on Ballpark Tree Fall Accident.
 - Car vs ADA ramp accident at USPS and Insurance is handling.
 - Department of Ecology Sewer System Report finished.
 - Ballpark closed as of 10/5.
 - Fred Brandt will retire from the Maintenance Crew in Spring 2021 after 12 years with the Town of Skykomish.
 - New Full Time Maintenance Crew member being hired 10/19.
 - Contacted Department of Ecology to get an updated about the BNSF Cleanup status.
 - 2021 Budget meetings begin next meeting on 11/9.
 - Governor Inslee updated guidance in Phases 1-4.
Substantial hydrant leak and needs repair with estimates being from \$1,500-\$2,000.
 - One open Council member position open.
 - Masks provided by King County have been distributed to business and community members. More are available at Town hall if needed.

Emergency Planning Committee Update: Councilmember Shelly Farnham presented. The Emergency Planning Committee created the Upper Sky Valley Emergency Preparedness and Response 2020. Emergency Planning meeting set for 11/5 at 6pm.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Skykomish Utilities forgiveness for Demolished Property
- Emergency Management
- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:35pm. Larry Johnson motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

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A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon November 9th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were, Shelly Farnham, Larry Johnson, Frank Martin and Gene Egan. Councilmember Larry Johnson exited the meeting at 5:26pm.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve as drafted, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 10/12 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve minutes as drafted, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Approval of November Claims: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

2021 Budget – 1st Reading: The 2021 Budget was presented to Council with updated numbers.

Mayors Report 11/9/20:

- Budget
 - Nov- At this month's first meeting of the '21 Budget, it's intended that we simply re-familiarize ourselves with the format of our summary Budget, with focus primarily on the General Fund, along with the additional operating utility funds of Water and Sewer and to a lesser

extent, the Street Fund. This initial packet gives you the detail Financial reports by Fund for the current Year to Date results versus current ('20) Budget, along with the historical results for prior years going back to 2015, for reference. The far-right column in these reports provides a "draft" '21 estimate for Budget purposes. For analysis purposes, remember that when looking at year to date results (thru Sept) and comparing to the existing budget, that we need to forecast "roughly" for the final 3 months so that we can also estimate figures for the '21 Budget. I already have a few questions for Desirae/Clerk on the existing financials and will share them with you prior to our next meeting on the budget so that you all have the benefit of that review in preparation of further in-depth discussion. The next round of the budget will have some additional preliminary figures in those areas left blank in this initial draft, so that we can get a complete draft budget for consideration. We may want to hold more of a "workshop" type meeting if enough Council members are interested in that.

- Additionally, for our next Nov Council meeting we will need to pass the annual regular ordinance which serves to adopt our Property Tax for the coming year ('21). Copies of that will be provided prior to our next meeting.
- After that, our '21 Budget needs to be finalized prior to yearend, and we will follow up with a final amended '20 Budget to close out the current year either in December or January.
- Short Term Rentals
 - The Planning Commission has met and made some initial edits and suggested changes. Need to integrate those changes into the initial draft and get feedback and review from BHC and attorney, and probably hold another Public Hearing before forwarding to the Council. There is a need to balance the needs of adequate and sufficient public notice and involvement with the need to try to get this ordinance finished in a timely manner so that people can move forward with clear definition and direction in the area of STR operation and licensing.
- Emergency Management Plan
 - Have had another couple of meetings with the Shelly's committee to work towards finalizing a Plan that can be adopted by Council. The last meeting included many other local folks including other citizens and business owners, with lots of good additional input. We hope to try to finalize soon and Shelly will report more later. Additionally, we have undertaken several preparations for the upcoming winter/storm season already which should have us better prepared than what we have previously experienced. Along those lines, the Town Hall now has generator power for use, if necessary, during power outages, we have tested and located backup power generators for the Water system and the large truck mounted generator at the school for the season. We have

hired and begun training of additional Maintenance (public works) staff for winter operations and plowing. Discussion with Agency and FS staff about highway tree maintenance and Maloney Creek potential logjam forming in anticipation of winter storms.

- Highway 2 Roundabout – PSRC Grant
 - No new progress however a progress report to State and Federal officials is required for federal funding once the funding becomes available.
- Water Plan, Gray & Osborne and East Cascade Highway Flood Project
 - No new updates.
- Broadband
 - Continued weekly update meetings. Questionnaire/survey distributed and need to promote and publicize for folks to participate and complete in order to get maximum community and public input for purposes of the Study.
- Operations
 - Working with a utility customer to resolve an old (prior property owners’) outstanding balance thru a repayment plan...details provided at next meeting. Updates on Aydelotte case, expecting all day mediation conference this week. Further updates from the Governor on Covid-19 status and possible impact to public policy, further modify business activity? Repair needed on our Backhoe...further details coming. Christmas lights in public areas/park have been turned on, but there will not be a Tree Lighting Event this year due to Covid-19. County Dump monitor positions/staff have concluded for the season, working with County about continuing next year. Garbage pickup times are going back to 9am... notifying all customers. Iron Goat Trail daily maintenance has also concluded for the season. Staying up to date on all of the Covid19 updates coming from State and County takes considerable time...primarily to decipher what, if anything, is relevant and useful for our small-Town purposes. Have regular and ongoing involvement with Sound Cities Association and the Snoqualmie Forum, on behalf of Town.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Emergency Management
- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:40pm. Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon November 23rd, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were Councilmembers, Shelly Farnham, Frank Martin and Gene Egan. Councilmember Larry Johnson came in late.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:07pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve Agenda as drafted, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 11/9 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve with amendment to add additional information to the Mayor Report, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

2021 Budget – 2nd Reading: The 2021 Budget was presented to Council with updated numbers. Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve the 2021 Budget 2nd reading, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

2021 Property Tax Levy Ordinance 473: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve the 2021 Property Tax for \$56,988, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Update: Mayor Henry Sladek discussed a long-term utility payment plan for an old balance. We have agreed to remove late fees with consistent payments.

The Whistling Post requested that the Council discuss possible street/sidewalk seating due to the new Covid-19 restrictions. The Council was in favor 3/4 if an ordinance needs to be created.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Emergency Management
- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:49pm. Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Frank Martin seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Mon December 14th, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were Councilmembers, Shelly Farnham, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:10pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve with the addition of Skykomish Walking Tour Update and Public Hearing to the Agenda as amended, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 11/23 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve minutes as drafted, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval December Claims: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve minutes as drafted, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Mayors Report 12/14/20:

- Council
 - Larry Johnson has officially resigned form Council position #3 effective immediately due to his impending move out of the area.
- Short Term Rentals
 - BHC sent their final recommendations on the STR ordinance. Planning Commission will meet soon to approve. The STR Moratorium expires 1/27/21 however, PC can extend if needed but, we don't anticipate or want that.

- Broadband Grant
 - Attended all but one virtual meeting.
- Emergency Management Plan
 - Moved to January Agenda to adopt.
 - Delivered 13 Emergency Management binders to all those involved.
- Cascade Highway/Maloney Creek Flooding
 - Working with Gray & Osborne.

2021 Budget – Public Hearing: Public Hearing opened at 5:25pm and closed at 5:26pm with no comment.

2021 Budget – 3rd and Final Reading: The 2021 Budget was presented to Council with updated numbers. Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve the 2021 Budget 3rd and final reading, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Walking Tour Update – Shelly Farnham:

The Town received an economic Development Grant for \$5,000 from the Port of Seattle earlier this year. Those funds were used to develop and implement a Walking Tour mobile phone app of points of interest for tourists. This was announced via Facebook and the Towns email Announcements List. If you see any mistakes or have photos to add please email the designer Karen Molesky (kmolesky@gmail.com) or Councilmember Shelly Farnham (sfarnham@skykomishwa.gov).

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Emergency Management Plan
- Water Plan – waiting for in-person meeting
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:42pm. Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor
ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____



A GREAT NORTHERN TOWN

Town of Skykomish
SPECIAL VIRTUAL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday December 23rd, 2020
5:00 PM

Members Present: Members Virtually via Microsoft Teams Present were Councilmembers, Shelly Farnham, Frank Martin and Gene Egan.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor Henry Sladek led the pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to approve the Agenda as drafted, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Approval of 12/14 Council Meeting Minutes: Councilmember Shelly Farnham motioned to approve the Minutes as drafted, Councilmember Gene Egan seconded, all in favor.

2021 Property Tax Levy - Ord 473 Updated:

Councilmember Frank Martin motioned to approve with the Ordinance as updated to add an additional \$10,655 available, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Items for next meeting/future agenda or follow up:

- Emergency Management Plan Adoption
- 2020 Budget Amendment
- Water Plan Adoption – waiting for in-person meeting
- Sale and Use of Fireworks Review - Chapter 8.20 – waiting for in-person meeting

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:13pm. Councilmember Gene Egan motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Shelly Farnham seconded, all in favor.

Henry Sladek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Desirae Bearden, Clerk/Treasurer

Posted: _____