

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF DALTON GARDENS

Meeting was held at the City Hall January 7, 2016

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Franklin
Councilmen Roberge led the pledge

ROLL CALL:

Present were: Council President Roberge, Councilmember Epstein, Myers and Lundy. Also present Ken Jacobsen, City Attorney, Cheri Howell, City Planner, Valerie Anderson, City Clerk,

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting December 3, 2015, a copy of which had been provided and the Financial Statement from December 1, 2015, to December 31, 2015 and the claims so listed.

Councilmen Roberge made a motion to approve the consent calendar as listed on the agenda.

Councilmen Epstein seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote: Aye Councilmembers Myers, Roberge, Lundy and Epstein. Nay: None, Abstain: None

Chief Warren Merritt – Kootenai County Fire & Rescue – Recognized Mayor Franklin & Councilmen Epstein for their years of service to the City of Dalton Gardens. He presented a card and a challenge coin from the Fire Staff and commission.

Councilmen Epstein thanked the community for the 12 years of service to represent the people of Dalton Gardens. He stated that his goal in coming into office was to make the city better and self-sufficient in the technology and roads. He wished the new council well and good luck in the coming years.

Mayor Franklin stated that we are all blessed to live in Dalton Gardens. He thanked the community for the 20 years of service and thanked his family. He challenged the community to reach out to their neighbor and lend a helping hand to one in need. He stated that many people have helped him to achieve the goals he set out to do in his years of service. Over the past 20 years the council has done some great things for Dalton Gardens such as the stopping of the major development of Canfield Mountain, the budget each year with no increase in taxes for the citizens. The city has a lot of challenges and opportunities such as monitoring the commercial district to the residential district, the pressure of the surrounding communities, and 110' of frontage for properties, the roads and infrastructure of the city. Challenge the new council and mayor to keep Dalton Gardens as a rural community. He wished the new council and mayor good luck and stated that it has been an honor to service the citizens of Dalton Gardens.

Mayor elect Roberge presented Mayor Franklin and Councilmember Epstein with a card and thanked them for the years of service and all of the knowledge he has gained over the years.

OATH OF OFFICE ELECTED MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

Mayor Franklin administrated the Oath of Office to Steven Roberge.

Mayor Steven Roberge administrated the Oath of Office to Jamie Smith and Scott Jordan.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Warren Merritt – KCFR – 1590 E. Seltic Way, CDA – Welcomed the new council.

Tony Kastella – 6088 N. 18th Street – The road has now been opened and we are very happy.

Public comment period is closed.

ELECT PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Councilmember Lundy made a motion to elect Joe Myers as the new Council President with his time and experience he would be best qualified. Jamie Smith seconded the motion. Councilmen Myers stated that it is interesting situation to go from junior to senior councilmember of council and that he would be happy to accept the position. Motion carried.

SET WORKSHOP FOR NEW COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmen Myers made a motion to set a workshop of the council for Thursday, January 21, 2016 @ 5:00 pm to discuss city business. Councilmember Lundy seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Myers stated that the tree and stump were removed at the arena and we also have a tree down in the park and on other city property. We need to take a look at the snow removal contract on the sidewalks at City Hall. We had a furnace repair this week.

Councilmember Smith – No Report

Councilmember Lundy reported that she had met with councilmen Epstein for an overview on the computers, website and the information technology personnel. She asked if anyone had any high resolution photos to share to put on the website they could be dropped off at the City Hall. Gretta Griesel a community leader for the jingle books to kids at the Dalton Elementary each student received 6 books this year to read.

Councilmember Jordan stated that he will be having a meeting with Mike Klika on snow removal in the city.

City Engineer – No report

Attorney Ken Jacobsen stated he is looking forward to the workshop on the legal matters and the legal duties of a councilmember. The task order and MOU with the City of Hayden has spread to Coeur'd Alene and the City of Hayden Lake. We will be working on the contract and have a report at the next month meeting. The appointment of the City Clerk and City Attorney will need to be on the next agenda.

Cheri Howell – Code Enforcement/Planning & Zoning – The Planning & Zoning will meet for a workshop on January 19th, 2016 @ 6:00 PM to work on the Noise Ordinance. She stated that they will be working on some pending variances and special use permits.

Building Inspector – Warren Merritt – He stated with storm damage in the area we are going to see permits coming through for the repair. He would like to see people adopt the hydrant in front of your house and keep it clear of snow in case of a fire. He reported that the Candy Cane Run on December 10, 2015 was a big success with food, toys and money donated.

Councilmember Jordan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steve Roberge, Mayor

Valerie S. Anderson, City Clerk