

OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR SESSION
November 20, 2023

A regular session of the Granite Falls City Council was called to order by Mayor Steve Nordaune at 7:00 p.m., Monday, November 20, 2023, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council Members present: DuWayne Galow, Brad Peterson, Joe Fagnano and Scott Peterson. Council Members absent: Sharon Pazi Zea. Staff present: City Manager Crystal Johnson, Finance Director Neal Carstensen, and City Clerk Christine Kleven. Also in attendance: EDA Director Kyle Haugen; Representing CAIR: Dani Prados, Lyndsey Eckhard, and Artist in Residence Ellen Ogden; and Hwy 23 Coalition Board Member Aaron Backman.

CONSENT AGENDA: M/S B. PETERSON/S. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE ADDITIONAL BILLS AS FOLLOWS: Minutes, Bills, Financial Report, Fire Department Report, Police Chief's Report, Correspondence, and Meetings & Events. Motion passed unanimously by those present.

HWY 23 COALITION: Aaron Backman was in attendance to provide a comprehensive update to the council regarding the Highway 23 Coalition's activities. He also expressed gratitude to the council for their past support. Following discussion, Galow introduced a resolution and moved its adoption approving the ongoing membership in the HWY 23 Coalition, with a proposed contribution of \$1,500.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-141

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP
IN THE HWY 23 COALITION

(Copy on file in city clerk's office)

With second by S. Peterson, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

ARTIST IN RESIDENCY: Ellen Ogden sought council approval for the proposed Run Club signage directing people from the walking bridge to Memorial Park. Ellen will complete her six-month residency in November. A farewell event is planned on November 30th at the KCC from 5-7:00pm.

REPORT: EDA report was acknowledged at this time.

APPOINTMENT: M/S S. PETERSON/FAGNANO TO APPOINT GRANITE FALLS RESIDENT STANLEY KOMPELIEN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION. Motion Passed unanimously by those present.

BRIDGE LIGHTING: M/S B. PETERSON/GALOW TO APPROVE THE GREEN AND RED BRIDGE LIGHTING REQUEST RECEIVED FROM THE WINTER SOLSTICE COMMITTEE FOR DEC 21. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

CLOSING VARIOUS FUNDS: Finance Director Neal Carstensen recommends the three funds be closed due to lack of activity and the account balances be transferred to the General Fund:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
804 Flood Relief Trust	\$200,122.06
322 2007 G.O. Bond	95,379.16
449 2021 Street Improvements	0.00

Following discussion B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption closing the above-mentioned funds and transferring any with balances into the general fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-142

RESOLUTION CLOSING CERTAIN FUNDS
INTO THE GENERAL FUND

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With second by Galow, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

CLOSED MEETING: Mayor Nordaune closed the meeting at 7:25 p.m. to discuss the sale of city owned property on Highway 212.

REOPEN MEETING: Mayor Nordaune reopened the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

M/S S. PETERSON/B. PETERSON TO ADJOURN at 7:34 p.m. Motion passed unanimously by those present.

Steve Nordaune
Mayor

ATTEST:

Christine Kleven
City Clerk