
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Poplawski opened the meeting at approximately 5:30pm.

The following were:

Present: Mr. Poplawski, Mr. Snead, Mr. Nash, Ms. Christy, Mr. Carriere and Mayor Dalton
Clerk Lorna Pearce, Solveig Chaffee, Mike and Mary Schilling, Nancy Boord, Kathy Baty,
Renata Rollins, Rick Paris, Krystal and Jill Fillis, Chamber of Commerce, Scott Hunter, Star
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Mr. Poplawski opened the meeting, the purpose of the meeting was for the citizens and business owners to the opportunity to have input on an ordinance regulating vacant buildings within the business district. Model ordinances from Blaine and Medical Lake were provided for reference.

It was asked if there would be an incentive for business owners to maintain their store fronts. Will there be a fee scale adopted?

Ms. Chaffee stated that property owners are "holding" on to properties hoping that they will appreciate in value. Would there be a threshold for fees at which time the city would file a lien against the property? The city should set up a fund for fees collected to be utilized for improvements to buildings.

Mr. Paris did not feel that implementing a fee schedule would encourage owners to make improvements, if the owners could afford to make improvements most would do so without being fined by the city.

Mr. Poplawski thanked those who took the time to attend and said that council will look at all options before making a decision.

The town hall meeting was closed at approximately 5:59pm.



Ruth Dalton, Mayor



Lorna Pearce, Clerk/Treasurer