CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eidinger called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmember Lowry led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember John C. West, Councilmember Mark Creley, Councilmember Ryan Day, Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, Councilmember Nate Lowry. Excused: Councilmember Stephanie Hunter, Councilmember Rosanne Tomyn.

Staff Present: Assistant City Administrator Dave Gray, City Clerk Rachel Pitzel, Community Development Director Darren Groth, Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler, Police Chief Micah Lundborg, Carol Morris, City Attorney.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING

AB18-058 - Relating to the city’s Open Space program, designating property owned by N.C. Talas, LLC, located at 11623 Valley Avenue East, City of Edgewood, as Open Space for property tax purposes under the city and Pierce County’s Open Space current use assessment program.

Mayor Eidinger read the rules for the hearing.

Mayor Eidinger opened the public hearing at 7:02pm.

Community Development Director Darren Groth discussed the resolution from Pierce County.

Mayor Eidinger closed the public hearing at 7:06pm

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Jason Ramirez – discussed the comment made at the last meeting where a councilmember stereotyped the citizens of Edgewood as “affluent”. Mr. Ramirez shared information he gathered on the medium income of surrounding cities and Edgewood.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Eidinger spoke about the following:
• The closing of Jovita Blvd, between 114th and West Valley, Saturday starting at 7am. This will be done to complete maintenance on and around the roadway that would be unsafe if traffic were allowed. The annual maintenance should be completed by mid to late afternoon with traffic restoration about 4pm.
• He met last Thursday with other stakeholders and WSDOT, for an update on the Puget Sound Gateway Program (Hwy 167 and 509). They discussed what had been completed and looked at the opportunity to expedite the project by 2 – 5.5 years and what that would mean for costs, and
the hurdles that moving faster on the project would create. The group agreed that the most realistic approach that they would request would be a 3 year acceleration. Also in their discussion was work to provide new regional trail connections and tolling options.

- Reminder of movie night, Friday at 6:30pm, for the movie “Fred Claus” - he hoped to see folks there.

Public Works Director Metzler briefed on the following:
- Stats on the radar sign installed last week, and the count of 18,000 vehicles in a 24 hr. period, he discussed the maximum speeds collected.

Community Development Director Groth briefed on the following:
- EDAB update, first meeting on Monday, December 17th at 5:30pm.

Assistant City Administrator Gray briefed on the following:
- Discussed working on the hiring process that was reviewed by the Council and have updated with some of the suggestions that Council made.

Chief Lundborg brief on the following:
- Discussed November statistics.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda includes items that are routine in nature and are adopted by one motion. Should Council wish to discuss a consent agenda item, the item would be removed from the consent agenda and discussed under Council Business.

The following items are presented for Council approval:
A. Study Session Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2018,
B. Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 27, 2018
C. Study Session Meeting Minutes of December 4, 2018.
D. AB18-059, a motion approving December Budgeted Expenditures as follows: Deferred Compensations Program; Payroll Direct Deposit; Dept. of Retirement Systems; Dept. of Labor and Industry; IRS 941 ACHs; and AWC Employee Benefit Trust in the amount of $105,757.51; and Vendor Check Numbers 23584 through 23608 with EFT Payments in the amount of $874,024.82. Total distributions submitted for review & authorization in the amount of $979,782.33.
E. AB18-060, a motion to adopt Third Quarter (Q3) Interim Financial Position Reports.

Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, Seconded by Councilmember John C. West.

Motion passed unanimously (5-0).

6. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. AB18-0439, a motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-0439, Relating to the city’s Open Space program, designating property owned by N.C. Talas, LLC, located at 11623 Valley Avenue East, City of Edgewood, as Open Space for property tax purposes under the city and Pierce County’s Open Space current use assessment program.
Community Development Director Groth briefed on the agenda item.

**Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Councilmember John C. West, Seconded by Councilmember Nate Lowry. Motion passed (4-1, Day).**

**B. AB18-0539**, a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 18-0539, adopting the budget and salary schedule for the 2019 fiscal year.

Assistant City Administrator Gray briefed on this agenda item. Councilmember Creley asked about the Exhibit A Salary Schedule regarding the Officer Manager position and the salary range.

**Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, Seconded by Councilmember Nate Lowry. Motion passed (3-2, Creley, Day).**

**C. AB18-061**, a motion confirming the Mayoral recommendation of William Hilton to Position No. 3 of the City of Edgewood Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler briefed on the agenda item.

**Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Councilmember Ryan Day, Seconded by Councilmember John C. West. Motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

**D. AB18-0527**, a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 18-0527, relating to Surface Water Management, adopting the 2018 Surface Water Management Plan Update.

Public Works Director Jeremy Metzler briefed on the agenda item.

**Motion: As Read, Action: Enter Recess, Moved by Councilmember Ryan Day, Seconded by Councilmember Nate Lowry. Motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

**E. AB18-0538**, a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 18-0538, relating to speeding and traffic enforcement, amending the penalties for violations of the speed limit in the city, and for violations of the speed limits in school zones/crosswalks which are ticketed by police officers and automated traffic safety cameras, amending Edgewood Municipal Code (EMC) sections 10.25.090 and 10.10.100; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

Police Chief Micah Lundborg briefed on the agenda item. Councilmember Lowry asked about school holidays, vacations, etc. if it will recognize that it is not a school zone during those off times. Discussion took place regarding off times.

**Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, Seconded by Councilmember Ryan Day. Motion passed unanimously (5-0).**

**7. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Eidinger discussed the Park, and noted the RFP and let Council know that we will be discussing this more at the next study session.
City Attorney discussed the Budget Ordinance and it needing four votes to pass - it needs a majority of the council.

Mayor Eidinger went back to item AB18-0539, a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 18-0539, adopting the budget and salary schedule for the 2019 fiscal year.

Originally, the Mayor read this ordinance passed with a 3-2 vote. After discussion under Council Business, it was determined that the Ordinance did not pass it needed a majority of the council as a whole to pass.

Below after discussion, is the action taken on item AB18-0539 under Council Comments:

**Motion:** As Read, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, **Seconded by** Councilmember Nate Lowry. **Motion failed** (3-2, Creley, Day).

**Motion:** As read exception of the Office Manager position to be removed from the Salary Schedule, **Action:** Amend, **Moved by** Councilmember Mark Creley, **Seconded by** Councilmember Ryan Day. **Motion failed** (3-2, Christopherson, Lowry).

After discussion with the City Attorney, it was determined Council could suspend the Rules to bring the item back on the table for action.

**Motion:** To suspend rules to bring back item for Action, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilmember Nate Lowry, **Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson. **Motion passed** (5-0).

Discussion took place regarding the hiring process and the Office Manager Job Description. It was determined that as long as the position was not filled until Council could approve the job description they would move forward on taking action on the Budget that evening.

**Motion:** As Read, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Deputy Mayor Tyron Christopherson, **Seconded by** Councilmember Mark Creley. **Motion passed** (5-0).

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

9. ADJOURN

Mayor Eidinger adjourned the meeting at 7:53pm.

Rachel Pitzel, City Clerk

Daryl Eidinger, Mayor