

**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND  
CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
January 9, 2014**

Council Chamber, 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, Washington

**CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE:**

Mayor Gordon called the special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led us all in the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Deady, Edelman, Morgan, Benson and Taylor.

**ABSENT:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution No. 14-921, appointing Stephen DiJulio as the Interim City Attorney**

Mayor Gordon noted that he is asking City council to confirm Ms. Todd as City Administrator on a separate item on tonight's agenda. He was informed by City Attorney Chris Bacha that his law firm, Kenyon Disend, PLLC , has an irreconcilable conflict with Christy Todd and indicated that Kenyon Disend wishes to retract their response to the city's RFP for City Attorney services and that a resignation letter would be forth coming. Due to this situation, Mayor Gordon believes it is in the city's best interest to terminate the services provided to the City by Kenyon Disend effectively January 10, 2014.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Benson to adopt Resolution No. 14-921, appointing Stephen DiJulio as the Interim City Attorney. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**WORKSTUDY:**

**To Discuss the Mayor's Appointment for city Administrator**

Mayor Gordon stated that on January 2, 2014, the first working day of his administration, he exercised the power of his elected office and decided to make a change in City Administration. Mayor Gordon noted his choice for City Administrator is Christy Todd. He noted on the advice of the city Attorney, he has hired Ms. Todd as Assistant City Administrator pending her confirmation by the council which he is seeking Council's timely confirmation as soon possible in order that he may move forward with

management team to accomplish the objectives of his administration as quickly as possible.

Discussion took place regarding Ms. Todd's qualifications, resume and other material provided in the workstudy packet material.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor Gordon announced an Executive Session at 6:49:46 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) To Discuss the Qualifications of an Applicant for Public Employment. Possible action may follow the executive session, which was expected to last approximately 15 minutes.

The regular meeting was called back to order at 7:05:20 p.m.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Resolution No. 14-918, confirming the Mayor's appointment of Christy Todd as City Administrator**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Benson and **seconded** by Councilmember Edelman to adopt Resolution No. 14-918, confirming the Mayor's appointment of Christy Todd as City Administrator. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

#### **Resolution No. 14-919, authorizing the Mayor to execute an employment agreement with Christy Todd**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Edelman and **seconded** by Councilmember Deady to adopt Resolution No. 14-919, authorizing the Mayor to execute an employment agreement with Christy Todd contingent on a background check. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None**

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Benson and **seconded** by Councilmember Deady to adjourn the meeting. Motion **passed** with all voting in favor (5-0).

ATTEST:

  
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Dave Gordon, Mayor

  
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Rachel Pitzel, Deputy City Clerk