

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 9, 2022

At 6:00 P.M. the meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Terry Douglas.

A roll call of the Council resulted as follows:

Terry Douglas, Mayor Pro-Tem
Ron Mercado
Dennis Norris
Anna Moody
Monica Miller

Officers present were: Clerk/Treasurer Bobbyjean Jurkovich, BO Keith Teeters, COP David Wuolle, Sgt Paul Twidt, Public Works Interim Superintendent Craig Turbak, Planning Consultant Collin Coles, Project Manager Rod Plank, Derek Forseth Alta Science & Engineering

Those absent: Mayor Mac Pooler, Councilmember Sid Armstrong

Sgt Paul Twidt led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORAL COMMENTS

None.

STAFF REPORTS

All reports were submitted and additional comments were as follows:

Building Official Keith Teeters stated that he will be gone next week for training on Flood Plain Development.

Planning Consultant Collin Coles stated that Planning & Zoning started reviewing the comprehensive plan at last month's meeting and should be done by summer. Councilmember Anna Moody inquired if there would be a public hearing during this process. Collin stated that there would be, however not much is changing, they are mainly fixing spelling errors and cleaning it up a bit.

Chief of Police Dave Wuolle informed council that we may have a magistrate jury trial, Silver Valley Law can charge up to \$87.00/hour. He has never seen a case such as this go to jury trial, however, we will be seeking restitution for prosecution fees if it does.

Interim Public Works Superintendent stated that the newer garbage truck is having transmission issues, it is under warranty and it is over in Post Falls being worked on and we are thinking we will have it back by this next Monday. He is hoping that the City can look at possible back-ups as the sanitation crew has no other way to dump certain dumpsters if this truck has issues again. In researching, it would be 8-10 weeks before we could rent a backup. Councilmember Mercado inquired if we could use the loader a certain way, Craig informed him that they had tried without success. There is also the option of reaching out to MCE Garbage and Recycling in Osburn for help.

Project Manager Rod Plank had nothing to add, however Councilmember Douglas stated that Public Works will be setting up a meeting and hopefully bringing it to council regarding the letters that had a 2-year deadline. They are past the 2-year limit and would like to see some action.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval or correction of the minutes of the February 9, 2022 regular council meeting.
2. Approval of payment of the bills for the month of February 2022 as presented (Proving documents on file in the City Clerk's office)
3. Treasurer's Reports of Income

4. P&Z Commission minutes from February 28, 2022 Meeting -- Recommendations: None.
5. Report of Commissions and Committees: None

OLD BUSINESS

Update on status of COVID-19 and large Activities within the city – Andy Helkey
Andy was unable to be present, however, he sent in a update ahead of time, along with recommendations for activity requests that were submitted, his update and recommendations were as follows:

Covid-19: Case rates in Shoshone County and regionally continue to decrease substantially. Shoshone County is currently in the medium risk category, current masking guidance from CDC only requires people with a high risk for severe illness to wear a mask or take other precautions.

Activity Requests: Kellogg Rotary Club – outside event, recommend approval.
Radio Brewing Company – outside event, recommend approval.
Silver Valley Chamber of Commerce – outside event, recommend approval.

Kellogg All Class Reunion – unable to comment as event is more than a year out.

FEMA Update on LOMR Mapping – Derek Forseth with Alta
Derek stated that they are responding to technical comments by FEMA. FEMA asked for community preference on Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) or Physical Map Revision (PMR). Derek is emphasizing that the community wants what will be fastest and have the best results. As requested at the previous meeting, a letter will go out tomorrow emphasizing that if PMR process will be longer than 18months, then the community will want to continue with LOMR process.

Update on Kellogg Grant Application for Leading Idaho from Derek Forseth with Alta
Everything is ready to go, the design and bid will be this year. The first initial Task Order is in New Business for approval. The project is 100% grant funded. Councilmember Douglas would like Derek and Craig Turbak to get together and discuss the project.

Councilmember Anna Moody stated that Josh McDonald did a good job on his article in the newspaper for this project.

NEW BUSINESS

Provide the County Clerk with the Budget Hearing Location, Date and Time, per Idaho Code 63-802A(3)
Councilmember Douglas stated that the council usually holds the Budget Hearing during the August council meeting, which will be August 10, 2022 at 6p.m. this year. No action is necessary.

Acknowledgement of letter from Benjamin Allen with Oxendine and Allen, Attorneys at Law
Councilmember Mercado stated that nothing will change other than Ben Allen being our new point of contact.

It was moved by Councilmember Norris to acknowledge the letter from Ben and seconded by Councilmember Moody.

Motion carried.

Consideration on Kellogg Rotary Club Activity Request for April 23, 2022
Councilmember Mercado stated that the Rotary Club is taking precautions by limiting the number of participants, social distancing, face masks and wearing gloves.

It was moved by Councilmember Miller and seconded by Councilmember Moody to approve the Rotary Club Activity Request.

Motion carried.

Consideration on Radio Brewing Company Activity Request – Block Party May 7, 2022
Councilmember Miller disclosed that her business is sponsoring the next two events listed, however she does not seek to gain anything. She is sponsoring to support local events.

Councilmember Mercado inquired with Chief of Police Dave and Interim Public Work Superintendent Craig if they have had a chance to review. Dave stated that they had done it before and it went smoothly, Craig stated the street crew will go out the night before the event to prepare.

It was moved by Councilmember Moody to approve Radio Brewing Activity Request as submitted and seconded by Councilmember Mercado.

Motion carried.

Consideration on Silver Valley Chamber Half Marathon Activity Request – Oct. 1, 2022
Councilmember Miller acknowledged the amount of people listed, she stated that she thinks they cap the number of racers at 600 and the 1,000 people listed as attendees will include volunteers and such. Chief of Police Dave stated that there will be additional patrol, along with Sgt. Twidt.

It was moved by Councilmember Mercado and seconded by Councilmember Moody to approve the Silver Valley Chamber Half Marathon Activity Request.

Motion carried.

Consideration on Kellogg All Class Reunion Activity Request – July 21, 22, 23, 2023
Councilmember Moody advised council that we have conditionally approved previous requests with the condition that we followed CDC guidelines for all events and should do the same with this.

It was moved by Councilmember Moody to conditionally approve the All Class Reunion based on CDC guidelines when the event is held and seconded by Councilmember Mercado.

Motion carried.

Consideration on Fire Department Easter Egg Hunt – April 16, 2022
Councilmember Mercado stated that this is a great event for the kids!

It was moved by Councilmember Norris and seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve the Fire Department Easter Egg Hunt Activity Request.

Motion carried.

Arbor Day Proclamation April 29, 2022

It was moved by Councilmember Mercado and second by Councilmember Moody to have Mayor Mac sign off on Arbor Day as April 29, 2022.

Motion carried.

DEQ Leading Idaho Stormwater Project - Engineering Task Order
Councilmember Douglas stated that this project will have no out-of-pocket expenses for the city. Councilmember Mercado pointed out for Councilmember Miller that these are just projected costs, not actual costs. Councilmember Moody disclosed that she does work for DEQ, however she has no involvement in this project.

It was moved by Councilmember Moody to approve the Task order as presented and seconded by Councilmember Norris.

A roll call of the Council resulted as follows:

Anna Moody "Aye"
Ron Mercado "Aye"
Sid Armstrong – absent

Terry Douglas "Aye"
Dennis Norris "Aye"
Monica Miller "Aye"

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Councilmember Moody

Library updates and success: Harry Potter celebration, Youth Program -1,000 books before kindergarten, they have read around 2,500 books. The board is discussing eliminating fees as they are not beneficial to the library as studies have shown, access to information doesn't need to be tied to funds. The Library Board is looking to get rid of fines, and Anna recommends to support the Boards decision.

Councilmember Norris

Wants to acknowledge that the new department heads seem to be doing well, the City is well taken care of.

Councilmember Mercado

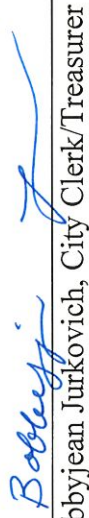
Summer is coming soon, asks if we have considered lifeguard options. Clerk/Treasurer Jurkovich states that she has had conversation with City of Wallace Clerk/Treasurer and Sarah Murphy regarding lifeguards and was told that Dawn McKinnon in Mullan is no longer going to do certification, but Bobbyjean will inquire and confirm. Craig Turbak stated that he will also check with Lori Hendrix about seeing if anyone at the high school is wanting to lifeguard.

Councilmember Douglas

Chamber of Commerce reached out to him regarding the flower buckets, we will most likely assist in purchasing new metal hangers for the flowers, but we will not participate in watering or planting.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was adjourned at 6:43 P.M. to meet for the regular time of April 13, 2022.

ATTEST:


Bobbyjean Jurkovich, City Clerk/Treasurer


Mac Pooler, Mayor