

Council President Rick Alonzo called the regularly scheduled council meeting of February 18, 2014 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Council President Rick Alonzo, Council Members Ron Smith, Connie Wells, and Tom Mayo, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, City Attorney Andrakay Pluid, Fire Chief Pat Warkentin, Police Chief David Kramer, and Deputy Police Chief Foster Mayo. Also present were Barbara Hanson, Marcia Cossette, Jessica Tingley, Adam Arthur, Adam Clark, and Steven David Aver. Mayor David Anderson was gone on personal business.

Steven David Aver spoke to council regarding the proposed revision of the dog license ordinance. He said previously he spoke about the formation of Bonners Ferry and the statute that gives council the power to act and what the limits are. He said he also told the council that if they want to act that they have to reincorporate and Title 50 speaks to the current session laws. Mr. Aver passed out information to the council and the audience that was a sample ordinance for dogs and said it would not violate anybody's rights. His ordinance was for dog identification plates. The plate would identify the name of the dog, the owner, phone number, etc. He gave a sample of information regarding plates to council.

Barbara Hanson from the Farmers Market spoke regarding the renewal of the Farmers Market agreement. She said they pay \$100 extra for installation and removal of the banners for the Farmers Market and we did not remove the banners until last week. One of the banners was damaged and she would like to suggest that there be a note that the banners will be put up at the beginning of the Farmers Market season and removed at the end of the Farmers Market season. Council will amend the Farmers Market contract at the next council meeting.

Police Chief David Kramer said there was a fatal house fire on the Northside. The department also assisted with three other unattended deaths in the city. There was a car/truck accident at the top of the bypass today, three warrant arrests were made, a search warrant was served, and there is graffiti on the back of Valley View School being investigated. The department is still down two officers. The street near Valley View is still being worked on as to closure for children crossing. He said David Sims is working on the grant for Augusta Street and there may be funding for a solution. David Kramer said there are more cones put near the crossing and flags are being put there to be carried across the street as the children are crossing the street. Ron Smith said the flags would be a problem if the children carry them. David Kramer is working with parents as they drop off the children at Valley View. He said the goal of the grant is to make it safer.

Fire Chief Pat Warkentin said we received \$10,000 from Union Pacific. Pat handed out an article to council regarding crude oil tank cars coming through communities on the railways. Pat has been working with Justin Piper at Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. He will be attending an upcoming fire training meeting with information regarding the trains carrying crude oil. Pat said the fire department responded to the car/truck accident on the south hill this afternoon. There was a stove fire on Apple Alley last weekend and a fatal fire on February 7, 2014 on Westview Drive. Pat gave a letter with the timeline on the Westview Drive fire to council. The origin of the fire was agreed on by the fire department and the State Fire Marshall

but the cause of the fire is unknown. Pat said there was a neighbor two doors down at 7:30 in the morning that smelled smoke but could not find the source. The fire was discovered by some neighbors about 3:00 p.m. The victim passed away several hours prior to the fire being reported.

Stephen Boorman told council there was a letter in the packet from the Corps of Engineers regarding levy standards. He said the tough booms for the Moyie Dam Reservoir have arrived and are at the city yard. There was a truck accident near Moyie City Hall last week that took out a power pole. There is work that needs to be done on the sewer camera because the video system is not working and we are looking at options for repair. There is a meeting on February 26 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Boundary County Extension Office looking at the Kootenai River Restoration Project through town and if anyone wants to submit comments we can. Stephen said the goal is to get the river flow away from the banks, more toward the center of the river and this should help keep the river channel clean. It will be better for the levees also. Power Plant unit 3 is going back together this week and the project has gone well. Rick Alonzo asked how this rebuild is going time wise compared to the last one. Stephen said this one is quite a bit faster due to the size of the crew compared to a one man crew that was used in the past.

Tom Mayo moved to approve the consent agenda. Connie Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of accounts payable and payroll; and approval of February 4, 2014 council meeting minutes.

Tom Mayo moved to have the second reading by title only of the ordinance amending Title 5, Chapter 3, Article B of Bonners Ferry City Code. Ron Smith seconded the motion. Ron Smith asked if our ordinance could apply to people outside the city limits. Andrakay said if there are dogs running at large then they would fall under our ordinance. Ron also said Idaho Code 25-2800 speaks to the Sheriff and asked if he would have to enforce the ordinance. Andrakay said our police department could do this.

Ron Smith moved to approve housing the documents for the Urban Renewal Agency pending a contract being drawn up for council review and approval. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Connie Wells moved to have the first reading by title only of the ordinance amending Title 5, Chapter 4, Bonners ferry City Code concerning curfew for minors. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. Andrakay read the ordinance by title only.

Dave Kramer spoke to council regarding purchasing a used 2008 Ford Crown Victoria that was fully equipped for \$7,500 from Garden City. We were reimbursed by ICRMP a little over \$5,100 for the 2005 Ford Crown Victoria that was wrecked. Tom Mayo moved to approve the purchase of the used patrol vehicle. Connie Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Stephen said the City Water/Sewer Department wants to participate in the Earth Day Fair this spring. Connie Wells moved to approve the participation of the City of Bonners Ferry in the  
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Earth Day Fair. Ron Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

The Kootenai View Golf Resources proposed lease was discussed. Andrakay explained that Ralph would like to lease the golf course for the entire operation of the golf course and he would pay the city a set fee. The proposed lease is for ten years and the city can do this if there is a good exit clause. Andrakay said the city owns the new equipment that was just purchased and the city cannot act as a bank for Ralph. Ron Smith said he would like to have Ralph come in and talk to council about his concerns. Andrakay said if we hit a certain threshold amount there would be an additional percentage paid to us. Andrakay said there is an issue with the payment of the equipment. He could buy our equipment outright but we cannot act as a bank. Connie Wells said she does not go along with the ten year lease and does not want to allow him to buy our equipment as she is concerned about equipment maintenance. Andrakay said Ralph would still like to have access to our city crews and equipment for operation of the golf course. She said this should be at a cost above and beyond the amount paid to the city. Andrakay said there are a lot of things that could be problematic with the lease that are not problematic with the contract. Tom Mayo said there are problems with the current operation and he does not see it getting better with the lease. Tom Mayo moved to reject the lease proposal and go back to the contract to get it worked out. Connie Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed – Tom Mayo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Ron Smith “no”.

Connie Wells moved at 7:45 p.m. to go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (1) (c) (f). Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Tom Mayo “yes”, Ron Smith “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”. At 8:33 p.m. executive session ended. No action was taken.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

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David K. Anderson, Mayor

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Kris Larson, City Clerk