Mayor David Anderson called the regularly scheduled council meeting of April 15, 2014 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Anderson, Council President Rick Alonzo, Council Members Rick Alonzo and Tom Mayo, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Police Chief Robert Boone, City Attorney Andrákay Pluid, Fire Chief Pat Warkentin, and Economic Development Coordinator David Sims. Also present were Marcia Cossette, Ruth Sutton, and Dale Simpson. Councilwoman Connie Wells was gone on personal business.

Fire Chief Pat Warkentin gave the fire report. He said there was a chimney fire on Oak Street at a residence where there has been a chimney fire before; a carbon monoxide call on the Northside due to a range malfunctioning; an odor investigation on Kennedy Street; and there was a grass fire on cemetery hill near Langford’s that the fire department responded to. The new pickup from the State Fire Marshall’s Office is in Station 1 and will be in service soon. The group briefly discussed burning near the golf course and Pat will take a look at the area. Pat said they installed a diffuser on the nozzle on the ladder truck that sprays a concentrated stream of water a hundred feet.

Police Chief Robert Boone gave the police report. Two subjects were caught with possession of marijuana and/or paraphernalia, officers responded to an assist with a suicidal subject on the Moyie Bridge, two petit thefts were reported, and two search warrants were served in a combined effort with Boundary County Prosecutor, Boundary County Task Force, Border Patrol, Boundary County Sheriff’s Office, and our police department resulting in 11 individuals being arrested or cited and recovering five grams of methamphetamine and two grams of suspected heroin. Accurate Collision donated a paint job at cost for the used police vehicle we purchased from Garden City. The drug task force has donated a Chevy Lumina to the police department to be used by the detective.

Stephen gave the administrator’s report. The testing violation memo in the packet refers to an annual test that was done for nitrates but was put in the wrong sample bottle last year so the lab could not analyze it and the proper people did not get notified. Nitrates are generally found in fertilizers and we don’t even come close. The test has been resubmitted and we are in compliance. Dredging has begun at the sewer lagoons. The bid is out for the lining on the steel water tank and before a decision is made we need to think about it. He said there is a high density polyethylene coating that can also be applied.

David Sims said the Community Choices awardees have not yet been announced. He is hearing positive things. David said it is possible we may be pushed out a year on the Augusta Street project. The Coordination Council met last week and there were five applications and four of them were funded at 97 percent and Boundary County was funded 100 percent for the SPOT bus. David said Carter Country is planning to open a feed store at the old Amer-Can Industrial building. He said the URA met last night and things are quiet until they get another project.

Tom Mayo moved to approve the consent agenda. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of accounts payable and payroll; approval of March
6, 2014 special council meeting minutes; and approval of April 1, 2014 regular council meeting minutes.

Rick Alonzo moved to approve the special event permit for the Selkirk Saddle Club Bull Bash on June 13, 2014. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Tom Mayo moved to have the first reading by title only of the business license ordinance amending Title 3, Chapter 1. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. Andrakay read the title of the business license ordinance amending City Code Title 3, Chapter 1.

Tom Mayo moved to approve the modified duty policy, personnel policy section VII (C) (12). Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. Ron Smith asked who would approve the modified duty arrangement. Andrakay said it would be the department heads. She said the policy allows an injured employee to come back to work sooner if there is work available. Ron asked if the employee gets hurt what the liability would be for the city. Andrakay said there are forms with the modified duties to be taken to the employee’s physician to be approved. She further stated that the city does not have to allow modified duty if there is nothing available. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Ron Smith moved to approve the proposed policy addition to the city hiring policy. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Rick Alonzo moved to award the bid for waterline replacements for Bonner and Comanche Streets to Kelly Excavating. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Ron Smith moved to approve the 4th of July celebration. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. Gary Leonard is heading up the celebration again this year. He will be talking to Boundary County also. The City has a memorandum of understanding with Boundary County for the fireworks celebration. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

The drinking water monitoring violation for nitrates was discussed. Our system does not have a nitrate problem but when the sample was taken it was put in the wrong sampling bottle and that contaminated the sample. (Clerk’s note: The contaminated sample was sent to the lab on April 18, 2013 and we were notified in March, 2014 that the State of Idaho did not have sampling results for nitrates in 2013. We resubmitted the sample on April 2, 2014 and are now back in compliance).

Rick Alonzo moved to grant an exemption for mileage since Police Chief Bob Boone lives 3.5 miles beyond the limitation in our personnel policy. Ron Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Our sewer dredge has a pump on it designed to pump sledge but there are rags and debris, particularly in pond one that plug up the current pump. The pump being requested has an impeller that can handle the large debris in the first pond. Stephen said our current dredge
cannot handle the debris in pond one. Ron Smith moved to authorize the purchase of a pump for the sewer dredge. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Rick Alonzo moved to advertise for part-time parks employee and lifeguards. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Rick Alonzo moved at 7:30 p.m. to go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (1) (b). Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. Executive session ended at 8:35 p.m. No action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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David K. Anderson, Mayor

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Kris Larson, City Clerk