

Mayor David Anderson called the regularly scheduled meeting of January 3, 2012 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Anderson, Council President Chris Clark, Council Members Mike Klaus, Connie Wells, and Tom Mayo, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Assistant City Administrator David Sims, Fire Chief Pat Warkentin, Acting Police Chief Joel Minor, Council Member Elect Rick Alonzo, and Attorney Tim Wilson. Also present were Jeannie Alonzo, Carolyn Testa, Terri Maine, Ron Frederickson, Marcia Cossette, Doug Gates, Doug Ladely, Sr., Jerry Higgs, Dave Gray, Robert Karlac, Dale Simpson, Ruth Sutton, and Jennifer Keene.

Jerry Higgs spoke regarding animal control and city ordinances. He said he caught a raccoon and then he caught a cat on his property. Because there is an inadequacy in the city ordinances, if the animal shelters do not accept cats then he would have had to dispose of the cat. He would like council to look at licensing of cats for animal control.

Acting Police Chief Joel Minor gave the police report. There was one burglary, two warrant arrests, two drug arrests, one domestic battery, a theft, a fraud, one agency assist, one drunk pedestrian, one stolen and recovered vehicle, and one misdemeanor violation of no insurance.

Pat Warkentin gave the fire report. The fire department was called out nine times in the month of December. On December 29, 2011 the fire department was called to the vehicle in the river to determine if there were any people in the vehicle. Thankfully, there were none. There was also a chimney fire at the same time. There was a gas spill at a gas station the fire department had to take care of. The support unit was delivered to the city from Florida. He said the freight was paid by funds through a TransCanada donation.

Connie Wells moved to approve the consent agenda. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of accounts payable and payroll; approval of December 20, 2011 council meeting minutes; approval for Alan Branson and John Delaney to attend WDM Exam Review in Shelton, Washington from January 31 to February 2, 2012; and approval for Doug Ladely and John Delaney to attend Laboratory Skills Training in Yakima on February 6, 2012.

The Mayor thanked Chris Clark for his service to the city and temporarily recessed the meeting. Chris Clark left the meeting.

Rich Beck joined the meeting.

The meeting reconvened.

Mayor Anderson, Councilman Rick Alonzo, and Councilwoman Connie Wells were sworn into office.

Ron Frederickson gave a report on the recycle program. He said the Middle School has to be dumped three times per week with two dumpsters and the north side dumpster has to be dumped twice per week. He said there have not been any problems with garbage being put in the recycle bins other than people are putting garbage bags of recycling in the dumpster and the bags go in another container. Ron said he is adjusting his schedule for the days of pickup. He expressed some concern about liability because the dumpsters belong to Frederickson's, the property is the School Districts, and the recycle program is the city's. Another concern he expressed was the use of the city recycle sites by outside city limit customers. Mayor Anderson said it is worthwhile to keep the recycle sites but he is concerned about liability also. Rick Alonzo asked if the county is still having the recycle program at Safeway. Ron said they are now but the county program is down half since the city recycle program started. Mayor Anderson said the city is looking at some sort of survey to our customers to see what they may be interested in. Tom Mayo said the people that recycle are going to recycle and are probably using the city recycle sites rather than driving to the landfill. Tom said we need to get a number from Ron for the different options such as curbside recycling. Ron said he has his recycle truck for sale in Spokane as well as half of the bins. He said his former quotes were on a weekly basis with a different truck and this go around he figured it on a biweekly pickup and this would cost half as much as what the residents are currently paying for their garbage pickup. The recycle containers are 18 gallons that Ron has available and he would provide these. He said new recycle bins would be \$9.50 each. His proposal is \$4.25 per month and he will provide the recycle containers for a biweekly pickup for curbside recycling. Ron said the current recycle sites cost is \$950 per month and climbing. Ron thinks curbside recycling would encourage more residents to recycle. David Sims asked about glass pickup if Ron does curbside recycling. Ron said he thought he would not accept glass because it makes a mess in the co-mingled recycling. Garbage bags would not be accepted either. Rick Alonzo asked about the location of the curbside recycle pickup for the residents. Ron said the recycle bins would be picked up at the same location as the garbage cans but not necessarily on the same days.

Connie Wells moved to nominate Mike Klaus as Council President. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Mike Klaus moved to approve the Mayor's signature on the Gem Grant paperwork for the Kennedy Street waterline project. Connie Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. Stephen said this will provide decent fire flow on Kennedy Street and this is much needed.

The LHTAC estimate voucher for the Alderson Lane Project was tabled until David Sims can review the backup documentation.

Highway 95 maintenance by Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) was discussed. There is an ITD project scheduled in 2014 in our area and ITD is looking for suggestions. Stephen Boorman

said when the subject was discussed at the foreman’s meeting pedestrian issues came to the fore front. He asked council to review the listing and give their thoughts and ideas. David and Stephen think we have two weeks to get the information to ITD. Stephen said with the right lobbying we can sometimes upgrade projects such as the turning lane between Alderson Lane and Safeway.

Connie Wells moved at 7:38 p.m. to go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (1) (c) (f). Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. Executive session ended at 8:12 p.m. No action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

---

David K. Anderson, Mayor

Attest:

---

Kris Larson, City Clerk