

Council President Mike Klaus called the regularly scheduled meeting of February 21, 2012 to order at 7:00pm. Present for the meeting were Council President Mike Klaus, Council members Tom Mayo and Rick Alonzo, Administrator Stephen Boorman, Assistant City Administrator David Sims, Acting Police Chief Joel Minor, Fire Chief Pat Warkentin, Deputy Clerk Jean Diel, Economic Development Coordinator Mike Sloan. Also present were Ken Baker, Megan Kuhnhausen, Warren Mahoney, Dave Gray, Dale Simpson, Ruth Sutton, Marcia Cossette, Robert Karlac, Eileen Marcotte, Joy Schmitz, Carolyn Testa, Terri Maine, and Richard Bowlby. Attorney Tim Wilson joined the meeting at 7:05pm.

Ken Baker from Boundary Volunteer Ambulance, spoke to council regarding the upcoming public meeting at the Boundary County extension office Tuesday, February 28 at 6:00pm explaining the reason for the forming an ambulance district. Ken summarized his belief funding has been the issue of concern to maintain the commitment of good service provided to the entire county by the present volunteer ambulance organization.

President Klaus asked for a motion to move the agenda item to consider appointment of Police Chief to the last item on the agenda. Tom Mayo made the motion to move the agenda item to the last for the opportunity in anticipation for executive session for advice of the appointment of Police Chief. The motion was seconded by Rick Alonzo. A vote was taken with all councilmen voting "aye".

Acting Police Chief, Joel Minor gave the police report of three possessions of controlled substance, four DUI, one burglary, one trespass, one malicious injury to property, and one driving while suspended. The police force is still down one position and one vehicle. Both of the Expedition engines are blown, now just waiting for the vehicles to go auction.

City Administrator Stephen reported the lights on the east part of town are a wiring problem that ITD will be addressing soon; the north side park water project encroachment permits have been submitted with Union Pacific and ITD. The Deep Creek easement with the Davidson family is going well; the mapping program is very productive. A fluoride test is going to be scheduled to determine how long it takes the water to flow from the plant through the system. David Sims assured the level of the fluoride will be well below the drinking water level allowed. The tracer study will also determine if there is a leak in our system on the north side location by the Burkholder residence or a natural spring. This test will be done within the next couple of weeks. Stephen also made note the Paradise Valley Fire Chief, Gary Leonard is taking a leave of absence and that our water plant operator Doug Ladely, who is the assistant chief of the PV Fire Dept, will step up to the chief position while the chief is on leave. Stephen concluded his report; the APPA National Conference is in Seattle this year June 16-20. Stephen said it is open to council if any of them wish to attend, and he can help anyone who wishes to attend with the details.

Mike Sloan reported the CEO of the Blackfoot Communications broadband company contacted the attorney of US Metronets and PAC. There are no contracts to review yet, but it's possible something could be seen in two weeks.

Fire Chief Pat Warkentin reported the department had one false alarm and were called out to the Huckleberry Variety Store for smoke that actually was coming from the Rex Theater. A bearing on a motor had frozen up and the belts were smoking very heavily. Councilman Alonzo also wanted to note he had gone over to look at the new support unit the Fire Dept had recently received and commented how nice it was.

Mike said the URA meeting scheduled on Monday will probably moved to another time.

Rick moved to approve the consent agenda as it is listed. Tom seconded. All voted “aye” for approval. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of bill and payroll; approval of February 7, 2012 Council Meeting Minutes and February 13, 2012 Special Council Meeting Minutes; the authorization for Jim Fritzsche and David Sims to attend the Cross Connection Class in Spokane on March 1, 2012; and authorization for Adam Arthur and Doug Ladely to attend a Nozzle Forward Class in Spokane on February 25-26, 2012

Stephen recommended the city to retain Utility Services Associates to conduct a leak detection survey of the City’s water system. The City has conducted these surveys in the past. They are done on a regular basis to identify significant leaks that have shown up above ground. These surveys should identify where our focuses of line repair and replacement. Rick moved to authorize the mayor to sign the Utility Services Associates contact for water leak survey. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Tom Mayo “aye”, Rick Alonzo “aye”, and Mike Klaus “aye”.

The beverage license for Bright Light Little City, LLC, dba The Pearl Theater was the next item on the agenda. Mike asked a question that Councilwoman Connie Wells brought to his attention, what was the price discrepancy between the state license and our application? Deputy Clerk Jean Diel explained that each license has its own fee, one from the State, one from the County and ours from the City but all necessary for the approval. Rick moved to approve the beverage license for the Bright Lights Little City, LLC doing business as The Pearl Theater. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. A vote was taken with all in favor.

Tom Mayo moved to approve the proposal from Moose Valley Farms for flower baskets in 2012 for the price of \$3270.00. Rick seconded. A vote was taken with all in favor.

David Sims explained the Dissolved Oxygen Probe and its benefits for the water and sewer department. The current testing has its hazards of safety and expense. This probe has a better value and is worry-free for the field use, necessary for taking measurements of critical water quality parameters. Tom Mayo moved to purchase the Dissolved Oxygen Probe. Rick seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Rick Alonzo “aye”, Mike Klaus “aye”, and Tom Mayo “aye”.

Fire Chief Pat Warkentin spoke that he and the attorney have spoken with each other regarding the Mutual Aid Agreement between the Idaho Department of Lands and is suggesting it be tabled until the next meeting. Rick made a motion that city table the

authorizing the mayor to sign a Mutual Aid Agreement with Idaho Department of Lands until the March 6, 2012 meeting. Tom Mayo seconded. A vote was taken with all in favor.

Fire department has an old support unit that needs to be declared surplus and get the best price out of it, which is a fair and reasonable price. North Bench fire department has expressed their interest in it. Rick made a motion to declare the fire apparatus unit as a surplus, the 1984 Ford Econoline, and authorize the sale for \$3500.00. Tom seconded the motion. A vote was taken with all in favor.

Stephen discussed the Fourth of July celebration that Gary Leonard has volunteered to help organize. There has been an account set up at Mountain West Bank for contributions. Tom Mayo made a motion for the city to set up an account at the city for the Fourth of July Celebration. Rick seconded. A vote was taken of approval by all.

Stephen recommended the City to go out for quotes for Kennedy Street Waterline Improvement Project. This would consist of a bore, a check valve and some water line along Highway 95. There is grant to fund this project primarily funded by Idaho Gem Grant. This bore would eliminate the waterline across the highway at the service station. This is just permission to get quote for the three pieces; to get quotes for any or for all. Tom moved to obtain quotes for the Kennedy Street Waterline Improvement Project. Rick seconded, all were in favor for the vote.

Rick moved at 7:40pm to go into Executive Session per Idaho Code 67-2345, subsection 1. Tom seconded. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “aye”, Rick Alonzo “aye”, Tom Mayo “aye”.

Carolyn Testa asked if the next meeting on March 6, 2012 at 7:00pm was going to be held at the Visitor Center. Stephen confirmed it was. It is a fee increase hearing for the garbage rates.

Executive session ended at 8:15pm. Tom Mayo moved the City of Bonners Ferry terminate its previous process in search of a Chief of Police; and that the City begin a new search for a Chief of Police. This process is to begin as if no previous process had been tried. The criteria for selection of the Chief of Police, is to be established by the City. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “aye”, Rick Alonzo “aye”, Tom Mayo “aye”.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

Council President, Michael B. Klaus

Attest:

Jean E. Diel, Deputy Clerk