

Mayor David Anderson called the regularly scheduled meeting of May 19, 2009 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Anderson, Council President Dave Gray, Council Members Connie Wells, Chris Clark, and John Langs, Office Clerk Jeannie Robinson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Assistant City Administrator David Sims, Police Chief Rick Alonzo, Fire Chief Pat Warkentin, and City Attorney Tim Wilson. Also present were Student Council Representative Keera Shipley, Greg Gavin and Larry Hare.

Mayor Anderson stated that the floor was open for public comment. There was none. He noted that Roger Fraser, who was scheduled to address the Council regarding Boundary County Community Television, was not present.

Chief Rick Alonzo gave the police report. There was one domestic incident, three NSF charges, two burglaries, two thefts, two threats and trespass, two agency arrests, one driving without privileges, two passing school bus incidents, one minor in possession, one unattended death, two driving-under-the-influence charges, one accident, three malicious injuries to property, and also a response to a boat fire on the river.

Attorney Tim Wilson commended the response of the fire department to his boat situation on the river.

Mayor Anderson acknowledged the arrival of Roger Fraser.

Mr. Fraser stated, that just in the last day, circumstances have been changing and what he was trying to pursue was not going to make any sense at this point giving what's going on. He thanked everyone for their time, stating that he would respectfully bow out and would broadcast on a VHS system until further notice and that was all he could comment on at this time.

Fire Chief Pat Warkentin gave the fire report. The Police Department called Fire out on a yard fire without a permit, which was taken care of, a marine fire on the river, and a fire in the awning at the old gas station at on the South Hill, which was reported by a passer-by. The uniforms should be here in time for the men to wear for the Memorial Day Parade. There will be quite a few pieces of equipment in the parade. The men should all be in uniform. Mayor Anderson inquired as to getting a photo for the web site. Chief Warkentin said that he would look into that.

Administrator Stephen Boorman spoke to Council regarding the treasurer's report and budget report. This is the first time since he's been here that every fund is down from the year previous. Next year's budget will be tight as revenues are down. He stated that the City will have two youth workers through the Summer Youth to Work Program. The letter from Judge Redden regarding the River Partners lawsuit on the endangered species on the Columbia and Snake River, which could affect electric rates, is included in the council packet.

Stephen drew a sketch on the blackboard and explained at length the Sectionalizing Study and how it will work regarding faults, circuit breakers and industry standards; how the system senses a fault. What a Sectionalizing Study does is make sure operations are in normal sequences. Chairman Dave Gray felt the explanation and the system made sense and was an important

safety feature. Further discussion was had regarding the study. Stephen further explained that this system was designed to keep as many customers in service as possible and isolate a situation, thereby keeping work hours to a minimum for the linemen. There being no further questions, Council thanked Mr. Boorman for a good job with his explanation.

John Langs moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Chris Clark. The motion passed, all in favor. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call and approval of accounts payable and payroll.

Mayor Anderson, under recommendation of City Manager, entertained a motion to table old business items 3 and 4, Third Reading of Cable Television Franchise Ordinance and Discussion of Windjammer Joint Use Agreement. Connie Wells moved to table. No discussion. John Langs seconded. All approved.

Stephen explained to Council the David Evans and Associates revised billing. Some additional work was done that he did request; however there was no discussion at that point regarding any change in fees. They came back and requested additional fee after the work was done and he (Stephen) said no. The contract stated that any change in fee must be agreed to in writing ahead of time. A couple months ago they came back and wanted payment for additional work that was done, which was denied as it was not authorized. Chairman Dave Gray stated his concern as to the process. Stephen asked, no writing, no discussion. They did not advise as to any additional cost until the study was completed. Stephen did a well-written letter. He supported Stephen one hundred and ten percent and moved that we do not pay this. Councilman Wells concurred; it was a fixed fee contract. Chris Clark seconded the motion. John Langs inquired as to the legalities if we deny. Discussion was had further with Attorney Tim Wilson. Tim stated that the contract has been gone over. The contract specifically states if there were any additions or changes to the contract, it would be in writing. The additional work was not authorized. Keera inquired as to what the fees were for. Stephen explained that the fees were for study time to go through aerial photos to count buildings in the area. Mayor Anderson called for a vote on the motion to deny the payment to David Evans and Associates for the revised billing. The motion passed, all in favor.

Discussion was had regarding the Hudson Study as to where we've been and the positive direction we're going. Chris spoke of the lighting up on the hill, the underpass, and the Visitor's Center. Dave Gray commented on how the Fairground is updating. David noted that this study was on the mark and how amazed he is at the progress.

Regarding the Sectionalizing Study, Stephen spoke of the voltage study and the low growth system. He recommended not going with the voltage study. Re-closures are programmable for normal or alternate feed at the flip of a switch. Dave Gray commented that need and purpose were excellently explained. There is a question of money due to tight budget. Mayor Anderson stated that it would come from the electric department. Dave Gray moved to accept the study, enter into a contract for electrical systems coordination study with HDR for \$13,499 and not enter into the other one, the voltage drop study. John Langs seconded the motion. Stephen explained as to the time settings regarding open and closures, safety, and maintaining optimal number of customers. Connie inquired as to how often it happens that lines are shut down, and

would it warrant the cost. Stephen stated a couple times a year, and yes, he felt it would. Mayor Anderson called for a vote on the pending motion. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Stephen advised Council about the necessity of a scissor lift and that this was a chance to obtain one at a good price. Discussion was had regarding the lift. It would increase productivity and also safety. John Langs inquired as to funding. It would come out of the electrical fund. It would last for fifteen to twenty years. John Langs moved and Dave Gray seconded the motion to buy the scissor lift. The motion passed, all in favor.

Dave moved to table number 10, discussion of the contract with Kim Finegan. Chris Clark seconded. No discussion. All voted in favor to table.

Dave Gray moved to table item #8, Discussion of Cable Television Franchise Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Connie Wells. All approved.

Dave Gray moved to approve the repair of the power plant garage roof by Schwartz Coatings for \$1,750. Connie Wells seconded the motion. Chris Clark inquired as to a ten year guarantee. Dave put that in his motion and Connie seconded. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

The hire of a new journeyman-lineman was recommended by both Stephen and Dan Rice. John Langs moved to hire Brian Kerins at the rate of \$30.01 per hour. Dave Gray seconded the motion. Council would like to meet him when he gets into town. All approved to hire the new person.

Discussion was had as to hiring the summer lifeguards. Dave Gray noted that wherever he goes that he has seen that the lifeguards are in attire where they stand out. He would like to see our kids looking sharp and be in some kind of recognized lifeguard attire. It’s important that they look the part. Mayor Anderson agreed. Stephen will talk to Jasmine about it. Dave moved to hire the lifeguards, with Jasmine Robertson as head lifeguard. (Clerk’s note: Lifeguards hired were Jasmine Robertson, Rachael Pruitt, Samantha Kelly, Samantha Schmitz, Rob Gust, and Emily Pauls.) John Langs seconded the motion. All approved. Stephen advised that lifeguards are also subject to random drug testing.

Discussion was had as to the summer youth employees. John Youngwirth will be the supervisor of record. Stephen said the City pays for physicals and drug tests. Department of Labor pays other costs. John Langs moved to sign the contract with the Department of Labor. Chris Clark seconded. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. Stephen said that the summer program in an incentive program. If the kids have good attendance and recommendations from supervisors, they get a \$50 bonus. Every week on their time sheets there’s a box for the supervisor to put comments on their progress. Dave Gray commented on kids getting experience to get on with their lives.

Dave Gray moved that the Council go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 for the discussion of personnel and legal issues. The motion was seconded by Connie Wells and it

passed – John Langs “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. Executive session ended. No action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

David K. Anderson, Mayor

Attest:

Jeannie Robinson, Office Clerk