

Mayor Anderson called the budget workshop to order at 6:00 p.m. Present for the workshop were Mayor Anderson, Council Members Rick Alonzo, Connie Wells, and Tom Mayo, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Assistant City Administrator Andrakay Pluid, Fire Chief Pat Warkentin, Attorney Will Herrington, and Economic Development Coordinator David Sims. Also present were Loretta Hunsaker, Dale Simpson, and Ruth Sutton. Council President Mike Klaus was gone on personal business.

The group reviewed the projected carry forward for fiscal year 2014 budget as well as revenue and expense projections for the general fund. With the current projections the revenue budget is short approximately 197,000.

Jerry Higgs, Marcia Cossette, and Tremain Albright joined the workshop at 6:48 p.m.

Mayor Anderson said we will have another budget workshop the first meeting in July and he recessed the workshop at 6:52 p.m.

Mayor Anderson called the regularly scheduled meeting of June 4, 2013 to order at 7:04 p.m. All those listed above were present. Police Chief Steve Benkula joined the meeting.

Tremain Albright spoke to council about the Tribal Lease and said the City would be excluding 160 feet of public access. He spoke of a portion of the lease agreement in the 3rd whereas that said the property is not needed for any public use and said we should scratch the word any. He spoke of other pieces of City property that the City would be leasing to the Tribe and said he would also like to lease the end of Dakota Street and he should have the same right to lease City property as the Tribe.

Jerry Higgs spoke about the property at Monroe and Highway 95, formerly known as the cat house. He said the owner is very wealthy and the weeds are terrible. He thinks the City should contract with someone to clean up the property and charge it to the property owner on the tax rolls. Jerry said there is a residence in the Marx Subdivision that has a business operating out of his home and the City did not require a business license. Jerry said there is a barn with a person living in it off Kaniksu. He is hopeful that these issues will be addressed later in the meeting. Jerry suggested a committee for beautification.

Police Chief Benkula gave the police report. He said after speaking with the School District and considering our budget the COPS grant will not be applied for. The burglary issue on the south hill has been resolved. There have been quite a few suicidal subjects and this is causing a strain on the overtime budget.

Fire Chief Pat Warkentin gave the fire report. The fire department had 10 calls in the month of May. There were 69 man hours for the fire calls and 63 hours for training in May.

Stephen Boorman gave the administrator report. He said there is a bicycle ride coming through Bonners Ferry on August 4th and 10th and this has been approved by Idaho Transportation

Department. The waterline project is being completed and should be done by next week. He said four inch waterlines in poor condition on Oak and Hemlock may be worked on with the approximate \$10,000 left from the USDA funding for waterline projects.

David Sims gave the economic development report. The bark company should be up and running this summer. Bonner/Boundary Priority Planning is in the action phase and is looking at ways to increase participation in post secondary education. Dr. Charles Buck from the University of Idaho will be the primary investigator for a grant to develop a success resource center kiosk and make it mobile. It will help kids know what is available and how to look forward for education. The Inland Northwest Economic Alliance will have training in the next six or eight weeks about website development for businesses through Word Press. Jim Wilson from Rural Community Assistance Corp came up and will possibly help the City of Moyie Springs with their sewer issue and may help the City of Bonners Ferry with a rate study. The Senior Center bus is now going to the Boundary County Restorium if the County agrees to pay the ongoing expenses of the bus. The ribbon cutting of Subway was today and it will open tomorrow. The Subway is the first of several units to be developed in the area near Super 1 by Kootenai Valley Preservation League.

Connie Wells moved to approve the consent agenda. Tom Mayo seconded the motion and it passed – Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of accounts payable and payroll; and approve May 21, 2013 council meeting minutes.

Rick Alonzo moved to approve the special event permit for Boundary County Parks and Recreation for the Swish tournament on July 13, 2013. Connie seconded the motion, and it passed, all in favor.

Tom Mayo moved to approve the catering permit for Mario DeLeon dba Mario’s Restaurant for the Bull Bash at the Fairgrounds on June 15, 2013. Rick seconded the motion and it passed, all in favor.

Connie Wells moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the USDA control sheet and authorize payment for the Highway 95 South project. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Connie Wells moved for council to take the Kootenai Tribal lease discussion to executive session. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. Tom would like to table this until Councilman Klaus is present.

Andrakay Pluid said it would be helpful to have a policy for all zoning problems brought before the city so all the zoning complaint procedures are treated the same. Rick asked if this policy would be the same for nuisance properties. Stephen said it would be for any zoning code violations or nuisance properties. Rick said historically the nuisance properties have been

handled by the police department. Police Chief Steve Benkula said if we have a policy for zoning violations that it would be good to follow the same procedure for nuisances. Will Herrington said if it is a life threatening violation then it will be treated much more seriously. Mayor Anderson asked if the property owner ignores the instructions it becomes a police matter anyway. Will said it can be civil issue also.

Rick Alonzo moved to approve the zoning and building code violation procedure for abatement. Connie Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed – Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. Rick said there should be a screening done when the violation is reported so we know if it is something that should be handled by the police.

Connie Wells moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (1) (e) at 7:24 p.m. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”. Executive session ended at 8:25 p.m. No action was taken.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

David K. Anderson, Mayor

Attest:

Kris Larson, City Clerk