

Mayor David Anderson called the regularly scheduled meeting of October 19, 2010 to order at 7:06 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, Police Chief Rick Alonzo, Street Department Supervisor John Youngwirth, and Attorney Tim Wilson. Also present were Dave Gray, Carolyn Testa, and Marcia Cossette.

Police Chief Rick Alonzo gave the police report. There were two driving without privileges, three DUI arrests, one felony DUI arrest, three reportable accidents, one burglary, a misdemeanor charge for marijuana and paraphernalia, one felony arrest for methadone, and a plane crash.

John Youngwirth gave the fire department report. There was a truck accident, plane crash, and a brush fire on the cusp of the boundary for the city limits on McCall Street. He said the City is providing all the services to the residents on McCall Street and they are not paying for them since they are outside city limits. He would like to see this area annexed into the city.

Stephen gave the administrator report. He said David Sims and he have met with a mapper and a proposal will be coming forth. They have also met with Welch Comer and John Nelson from the City of Moyie to discuss sewer planning. He said a regional type sewer system is an economic development question that needs to be answered. David said we need to get an estimate from Brett Converse of JUB Engineering. Chris Clark clarified that the sewage from the City of Moyie to town would come into the City of Bonners Ferry's treatment plant. Stephen said it would and there would be agreements for services rendered. David Sims said the entities would also pay higher capitalization fees. Stephen said it is worth looking at this scenario for future planning. There are several different models to be considered. David said there are independent sewer entities in the Sandpoint area that are looking at consolidating or forming a regional sewer entity. Stephen said the discharge permit requirements are driving this. David spoke of anti-degradation rules and the threatened lawsuits by Idaho Conservation League. Idaho has been rewriting the degradation rules but Idaho Conservation League has threatened to sue. They want the degradation rules to apply to any body of water. This could have a huge impact on the City of Bonners Ferry and other entities as well. Stephen said these lawsuits could also affect the hydro. Stephen said the Panhandle Health Department told the City that the golf course kitchen floor needs to be repaired before the course opens next year. Stephen said the estimated budget number to do this repair will be about \$1,600 for just flooring but the subfloor will need to be replaced and costs will be explored. Unit 1 repair is about 20 percent complete. David said the heating system will be put in city hall soon.

Connie Wells moved to approve the consent agenda. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of accounts payable and payroll; approval for Doug Ladely to attend a water metering class in Post

Falls, Idaho on November 2, 2010; and approval for three street department employees to attend the Road Safety Workshop in Coeur d'Alene on November 2, 2010.

David spoke regarding the sewer lagoon aerator bids. Aqua Aerobics is the firm that Brett Converse recommended and they had the cheapest bid. The bid came in at \$37,767.80 and the grant was for \$60,000. Connie inquired if the excess funding in the grant can be spent. David said the State is looking at allowing this and the possibility of what it should be spent on. Mike Klaus moved to award the sewer lagoon aerator bid to Aqua Aerobics. Chris Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

The need for a retaining wall on Chippewa and Wells Street near the Bob Eby residence was discussed. There is a fill slope between Wells and Chippewa and at one time the City offered to put in gabion baskets but Mrs. Eby did not like the looks of them. The fill slope was caused by the widening of the street, the power line construction, and the waterline construction as well as excavation on the private lot by the property owner. The proposal at this time is a retaining wall of ecology blocks to be installed at a 50/50 cost share between the City and Mr. Eby. The estimated total cost of the project is \$8,500. The retaining wall will be right on the property line of Mr. Eby according to Stephen. John Youngwirth said when we looked at gabion baskets the street would have been widened a bit. Stephen said the home of Mr. Eby is very close to the road. Stephen said the problem is a joint problem caused by the property owner and the city. David said the property owner wants a more permanent solution so that is why we are looking at the retaining wall. Mike Klaus moved to build the retaining wall as suggested by the City Administrator. Connie Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

The north side tank got low again due to a communication problem so the city is now looking at purchasing monitoring equipment for the north side tank. David said there have been different problems four times. The tanks are fed by pumps and if the pumps do not get the signal then the water does not fill in the tank. The city has been working on programming issues and communications. The new equipment will let the city read the level of the north side tank at any time. There will be two radios, one on the tank and one at the water plant. Chris Clark moved to authorize the purchase of the monitoring equipment for \$3,068. Connie Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Pay request #1 to E R Balancing for unit one overhaul was discussed. Mike Klaus moved to approve pay request #1 to E R Balancing for \$16,500. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Chris Clark moved to approve the catering permit for the Kootenai River Inn for the Ducks Unlimited Banquet on October 22, 2010. Mike Klaus seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Chris Clark moved to approve resolution 2011-01 Supporting HJR 7 for the City of Bonners Ferry. Mike Klaus seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

Connie Wells moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (1)(f) at 7:34 p.m. Tom Mayo seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mike Klaus “yes”, Chris Clark “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”. At 8:06 p.m. executive session ended. No action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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David K. Anderson, Mayor

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Kris Larson, City Clerk