

Mayor David Sims called the regularly scheduled council meeting of May 1, 2018 to order at 6:00 pm. Present for the meeting were Mayor Sims, Council Members Ron Smith, Adam Arthur, and Valerie Thompson. Clerk Colleen Garrigan, City Engineering Mike Klaus, City Attorney Andrakay Pluid, City Administrator Lisa Ailport, Police Chief Brian Zimmerman, and Fire Chief Dave Winey. Also present were Dennis Weed, Denise Crichton, Marcia Cossette, Jessica Tingley, Jerry Higgs, Marty Martinez, Dawn Wagner, Dave Gray, and Kennon McClintock.

Kennon McClintock from the Nature Conservancy presented the Forest Legacy Program which protects private working forest lands, focuses on "At Risk" forestlands, is a voluntary program using Conservation Easements, and requires an annual application. The Idaho Dept. of Lands is the administrator and holds the easements. A Land trust is required to be the project sponsor. Funding comes from the Land & Water Conservation Fund, which pays for 75% of Conservation Easements. The six northern mills: Moyie, LaClede, Chilco, Naples, Priest River, and Plummer produce about half of the lumber that is produced in the state of Idaho per year.

Council President Rick Alonzo joined the meeting at 6:20pm

Dawn Wagner read a letter from her and her neighbors about a neighbor who owns a lot of dogs that have become a nuisance. There are 11-15 dogs living at 6666 Chippewa Drive, and the owner is unable to keep them fenced or contained. Residents are afraid to go near the home and the other day a child was bitten while riding by on his bicycle. Mayor Sims said that they'd consider the letter and work with the Police Chief Zimmerman.

Jerry Higgs added that these dogs have been seen chasing deer, and that there is another property on the corner Comanche & Apache that has approximately 11 dogs.

Dawn Wagner left the meeting.

Police Chief Brian Zimmerman just returned from Boise and brought back seven ballistic vests that are worth about \$5,000 and don't expire until 2022.

Denise Crichton left the meeting.

Fire Chief Dave Winey said that they had responded to four calls since the last meeting. A false fire alarm on El Paso, assisted an accident on Cow Creek and Ash, there was a gas line call on Alice & Clara, and with small brush fire on Cody Street.

City Administrator/Planner Lisa Ailport said she has been reaching out to the departments to learn more about how they operate. Regarding planning and zoning, there's a transportation plan workshop set for May 31st at the Armory from 4-6pm.

Kennon McClintock left the meeting.

Dennis Weed is having a meeting with the Visitor's Center Staff to make sure that it's fully staffed and ready for all the summer visitors. The visitor guide has been redone. The Trail Committee is now a 501c3 organization, so they can start going after funding. They're continuing to work on the Aikin's building and PAC is assisting.

Adam Arthur made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Rick Alonzo seconded. The motion passed – Ron Smith, “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Valerie Thompson “yes”, Adam Arthur “yes”.

Rick Alonzo made a motion to authorize a letter of support for the Moyie River Forest Legacy Project. Ron Smith seconded. The motion passed, all in favor.

Dennis Weed requested council approve the EDC Contribution Letter for the Economic Development grant application. The state requires a match of \$18,000, which comes from the City, the County, the Tribe, etc... Adam Arthur made a motion to approve the EDC contribution letter. Valerie Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed – Ron Smith, “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Valerie Thompson “yes”, Adam Arthur “yes”.

Rick Alonzo make a motion to have the Memorial Day parade as a city event. Ron Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Mayor Sims said that there is a question about holiday pay when the employee works a schedule of nine or ten hour days. Mayor Sims asked for Police Chief Brian Zimmerman and City Administrator Lisa Ailport to think about the options, so Council Members can make a decision at the next City Council meeting.

Mayor Sims said that the City Administrator is not an appointed position as they had thought. He presented Ordinance #577 to designate the City Administrator as an appointed position. Adam Arthur made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 577 to designate the City Administrator as an appointed official by title only. Valerie Thompson seconded. The motion passed, all in favor. City Attorney Andrakay Pluid read the ordinance.

Rick Alonzo made a motion to waive the second and third reading and adopt ordinance #577. Adam Arthur seconded. The motion passed – Ron Smith, “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Valerie Thompson “yes”, Adam Arthur “yes”.

City Engineer Mike Klaus recommended that council award the bid for the Sewer Forcemain Bridge to S&L Underground Inc. Valerie Thompson made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign the contract documents for awarding the bid to S&L Underground Inc. for the suspension bridge Sewer Forcemain Replacement Project. Adam Arthur seconded. The motion passed – Ron Smith, “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Valerie Thompson “yes”, Adam Arthur “yes”.

Rick Alonzo made a motion to enter into executive session pursuant to Idaho code 74-206, subsection 1 (c) to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency. Valerie Thompson seconded. The motion passed – Ron Smith, “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Valerie Thompson “yes”, Adam Arthur “yes”.

Adjourned at 7:28pm.