

Mayor Darrell Kerby called the regularly scheduled council meeting of December 5, 2006 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Kerby, Council President Russ Docherty, Council Members John Langs, Leslie Falcon, and Dave Gray, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Police Chief Dave Kramer, Fire Chief Larry Owsley, Economic Development Coordinator Mike Sloan, and City Attorney Tim Wilson.

Dave Kramer gave the Police Report. He said there are internet fraud cases coming in and the police are investigating.

Larry Owsley said there have been three incidents since the last meeting. There was a call at Cody and Jackson Street for a chimney fire. The resident was red tagged until a new chimney can be built. The department personnel are hazmat certified now.

Dave Gray moved to approve the consent agenda. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call; approval of the Treasurer's Report; approval of December 5, 2006 accounts payable; approval of the November 21, 2006 council meeting minutes; approval for Water Department employees to attend Hydrant and Valve Class at Panhandle Health District in Bonners Ferry; approval for Stephen Boorman to attend the ICUA Conference in Boise in January, 2007.

Dave Kramer recommended a conditional offer of employment to Joseph Scholten as a patrolman. He will fill the vacancy created by Don Parlow leaving and said Mr. Scholten will need to attend the Police Academy. John Langs moved to hire Joseph Scholten to fill the vacancy created by Don Parlow. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Leslie Falcon moved to approve pay request #2 for B. F. Builders on the visitor's center project pending ITD approval. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Stephen recommended hiring Welch Comer and Associates for engineering services for the backwash project and the sewer lagoon project. Dave Gray moved to hire Welch Comer and Associates for the engineering firm for the backwash project and the sewer lagoon project. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Larry spoke to Council regarding the SCBAs and turnouts needed at the fire department. John Langs moved to purchase the turnouts. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion and it passed, all in favor.

John Langs moved to accept the offer of compromise submitted by South Hill Chevron on their utility account. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Leslie Falcon “no”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Leslie Falcon moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the paperwork for pay request #2 for B. F. Builders on the water improvement project and also the DEQ loan request paperwork. Russ Docherty seconded the motion and it passed – John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”..

Leslie Falcon moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the block grant pay request #4 for Welch Comer for the water improvement project. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed – John Langs “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Mayor Kerby informed Council that January 2, 2007 is the date the water/sewer district consolidation issue is coming before Judge Verby. The City will receive a notice from the court.

Panhandle Health District has invited the City to attend the Pandemic Influenza Summit on December 11, 2006 at the Kootenai River Inn.

Dave Gray asked if Council can attend the upcoming Planning and Zoning Ordinance workshop. Attorney Tim Wilson advised Council not to attend the Planning and Zoning Committee hearing.

Mayor Kerby is proposing an elected official’s meeting in early January for the community elected officials to give a presentation on their entity’s problems and solutions. The School District will also be invited so they can give a presentation on the upcoming M&O levy.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Darrell Kerby, Mayor

Attest:

Kris Larson, City Clerk