

Mayor David Sims called the council meeting of August 7, 2018 to order at 6:00 pm. Present for the meeting were: Council President Rick Alonzo, Council Members Adam Arthur, Valerie Thompson, and Ron Smith. Also present were: City Administrator Lisa Ailport, City Engineer Mike Klaus, City Attorney Andrakay Pluid, Police Chief Brian Zimmerman, Fire Chief Dave Winey, Economic Director Dennis Weed and Clerk/Treasurer Christine McNair. Members of the public present were: Chris Jasper, Chris Huddle, Jim Thompson, Marciavee Cossette, Eric Lederhos, Lisa Aguilera, and Jessica Tingley.

Mayor Sims moved item number nine ahead of number four.

Jessica Tingley spoke regarding item number 14 for High 5 equipment funding. Jessica spoke to Mike Davis from Iron Mike's Gym. Mike Davis said the equipment usually does not last 20 years, the equipment usually lasts 10-12 years. The cost of delivery and installation is very high. Mike Davis is willing to help with delivery and installation. Mike Davis said the cost of the equipment should be closer to \$15,000. Mayor Sims said they will ask the school to look into the pricing.

Lisa Ailport gave her report. Lisa wants to submit a request to the Federal Highway Administration to test an advisory lane, on Stephens Street. The advisory lane provides bike and pedestrian access without a lot of infrastructure changes. Federal Highway Administration request is required for approval of the advisory lane. Lisa has prepared a draft letter for this request. Valerie asked about using Buchanan Street instead of Stephens Street. Lisa said Stephens Street is wider and easier to use for the advisory lane. Adam asked if both sides of Stephens Street will be lined. Lisa said yes. Lisa said the advisory lanes are for low volume routes. Lisa showed an example of a sign for the advisory lane. Rick asked who has the right-of-way in this scenario. Lisa said the cars will yield to the pedestrians. Adam asked if there are traffic counts for Stephens Street. Lisa said we are going to acquire the traffic count. Rick asked if there is a minimum width. Lisa said there is a recommendation of six feet for the bike lane and ten – fifteen feet for the vehicles. Adam said it needs to be considered how this connect to other streets and crosswalks. Valerie asked if other streets are being considered. Lisa said at this time, Stephens Street is the only one being considered. Ron asked if Brian Zimmerman has any thoughts. Brian has some concerns that he will speak with Lisa about. Lisa wants to apply for the surplus eliminator funds. The funds have to be tied to maintenance and must address safety and mobility. The applications are due December 6, 2018 and the project must be completed by December 6, 2019. The maximum amount of money that can be applied for is one million dollars. The street that is being considered is Kaniksu Street. Kaniksu Street needs a lot of maintenance and is an area of interest. The project has to be shovel ready within 90 days of receiving approval. Mayor Sims said it is a very competitive program.

Mike Klaus gave his report. He said the sewer bridge project has had some delays, due to a long lead time on the parts needed for the project. He met with the County and Federal Highway engineer regarding Riverside Street project and the utilities that will need to be moved. Mike said the pre-construction meeting for the pool reconstruction happened August 6, 2018. Mike said there are two fires in our Myrtle Creek watershed area. The upper fire is approximately nine miles above our watershed and it is completely contained.

Jim Thompson joined the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Dennis Weed gave his report. There is a second offer on the old Akin's Harvest Foods building that sounds promising. The Visitor's Center has noticed a decrease in visitors due to road construction south of Bonners Ferry. There have been an additional six volunteers, which makes it easier to keep the Visitor's Center staffed. Dennis' office is now upstairs in City Hall. There is a public meeting from 4pm – 7pm at the Kootenai Wildlife Refuge for the Riverside Project. The Urban Renewal Agency board meeting be tomorrow night at 6pm.

Lisa said the Transportation Advisory Committee met July 26, 2018. They are waiting for the summary results of those meetings from JUB Engineering.

Ron Smith met with Dennis and Tom Turpin regarding the Gold Route for the Spot bus. They are interested in extending the route from October to March. Ron said the route runs three or four round trips on Saturdays. Adam asked if it operates year round. Ron said it operates three – six months, in the winter. Ron said currently Spot operates an eight passenger bus, in January it will operate an eighteen passenger bus. Valerie asked if there is a minimum age requirement. Mayor Sims said he believes there is one, but is not sure what the age is.

Jim Thompson said he came to request funds to water the old part of Grandview Cemetery. He is asking everyone for donations. He has adopted two sections and is paying for everything out of his pocket. Jim's goal is to build a new line from the pump house to the cemetery. One estimate he received is \$63,000. He is going to ask the railroad for funds. He is looking at other options to accomplish this goal.

Jim Thompson left at 6:38 pm.

Valerie moved to approve the consent agenda. Adam seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Ron – yes, Rick – Yes, Valerie – yes, Adam – yes.

Chris Jasper gave a brief presentation about building an inline fiber from Mt. Hall to Naples. Their goal is to connect Boundary County to Spokane. Mayor Sims asked about the line crossing the river. Chris said they have been talking about attaching to the sewer bridge. Mike is recommending to table this until the next meeting, to give staff time to consider and edit the contract. Mike is still working on tree trimming, violations and engineering sections of the contract. Mayor Sims asked if there is an attachment at the minimum level what will they do. Chris said they try to work it out, there are several options available. Make-ready work is paid by Fat Beam to the party that is affected. Mike is hopeful that this will be the format for future agreements.

Adam moved to approve publication of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2019. Valerie seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Mayor Sims said he discussed the Carry the Fallen event with the organizer and the event does not require a Special Event Permit, since the Sheriff's department will be escorting the people from the Log Inn to the fairground.

Mayor Sims is interested in sending a comment letter to Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) regarding Phase 2 of the Highway 95 project. Mayor Sims said the streets in Phase 2 were not required to meet at a 90 degree angle like they were in Phase 1. They are not planning to change to sidewalks that were poured, in 2003. There are ADA changes that will need to be made. Ron asked about the traffic light. Mayor Sims said if that is something the City wants, then we need to send a separate letter to ITD. ITD is confident that a new light will increase the traffic flow during school hours. Mike said the increase in growth in Paradise Valley warrants the light.

Rick moved to send a letter to ITD requesting that the light remain at Alderson Lane with current technology. Ron seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Brian Zimmerman said POST is now requiring dispatchers to be certified and the County is giving the dispatchers raises based on certifications. Sheriff Kramer said the three percent increase is going to the dispatchers' raises. Rick said that he would like all of the dispatch users to pay for the services. Rick moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the dispatch agreement for fiscal year 2019 with Boundary County. Val seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Ron – yes, Rick – yes, Valerie – yes, Adam – yes.

Ron asked if the officers have 24/7 access to Second Chance. Brian said there is. Adam moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract for fiscal year 2019 with Second Chance Animal Adoption. Valerie seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Ron – yes, Rick – yes, Valerie – yes, Adam – yes.

Andrakay said this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Boundary County School District is the same as last year for the School Resource Officer (SRO) position. It explains the duties and direction of the SRO. Brian Zimmerman is very pleased with the current SRO. Valerie moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Boundary County School District for the school resource officer. Rick seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Ron – yes, Rick – yes, Valerie – yes, Adam – yes.

Lisa said Exhibit B was removed from the Timber Sale contract, since it is with the Forest Service not the logger. The Timber Sale contract is with Idaho Forest Group. These funds will be used to help us meet the costs for the pool reconstruction. Valerie moved to authorize to authorize the Mayor to sign the Timber Sale contract with Idaho Forest Group. Rick seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Ron – yes, Rick – yes, Valerie – yes, Adam – yes.

Lisa explained the draft copy of the Arts Commission ordinance. The Arts Commission will make recommendations to Council for final approval, similar to the Golf Committee and Planning and Zoning Committee. Mayor Sims recommended changing the wording in 2-4-

5A. Lisa will make the recommended corrections and provide a new draft in ordinance form for the next Council meeting.

Lisa presented the new draft PTO policy. Rick asked about the human resource officer. Lisa said it is a shared duty. Mayor Sims asked if Council is comfortable with the pay-out for sick leave, when an employee leaves. Valerie moved to adopt the new PTO policy as set forth in the memo effective October 1, 2018. Upon adoption of the policy, staff will work with the employees to convert all personal time, vacation time and up to 80 hours of sick time to a PTO account, any remaining sick time will automatically be converted to a sick bank for use by the employee in accordance with the adopted PTO policy. Ron seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. Ron – yes, Rick – yes, Valerie – yes, Adam – yes.

Mayor Sims recommended tabling the school's request for cardio equipment. He would like the school to get more quotes on the equipment. Adam is concerned with purchasing the equipment. Rick recommends that Mr. DePreist contact Mike Davis. Lisa will speak with Mr. DePreist about Council's concerns. Council thanked Jessica Tingley for her research on this request.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:43pm.