

**MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Bonners Ferry City Hall
7232 Main Street
267-3105
March 8, 2021
5:00 pm**

Mayor Dick Staples called the Special Council meeting of March 8, 2021 to order at 5:00 pm. Present for the meeting were: Council Members Rick Alonzo, Adam Arthur, Valerie Thompson and Ron Smith. Also present were: City Engineer Mike Klaus, City Clerk/Treasurer Christine McNair, City Administrator Lisa Ailport.

Join video Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/17672764M>

Meeting ID: 176727634

Join by phone: 253-215-8782

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Water** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract with Water Systems Management for water plant operations (attachment) {action item}

Lisa said DEQ changed our water treatment plant classification to a level 3. Since we don't have an operate that is a level 3 that can perform the duties required by DEQ, Lisa spoke with Water Systems Management to assist the City until DEQ modifies the classification to a level 2. Mayor Staples said the contract price is very good. Ron asked what this means for the current employees. Mike said the current employees won't be affected by the contract. Mike is hoping to provide DEQ with the documentation to modified the classification back down to a level 2. Adam asked how long it will be before one of our employees will be a level 3. Mike said there is one employee that is currently studying for the level 3 test. There are two other employees that will be qualified to take the exam in two – three years. Valerie Thompson moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with Water Systems Management for water plant operations. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. The motion passed. Adam Arthur – yes, Valerie Thompson – yes, Rick Alonzo – yes, Ron Smith – yes

2. **City** – Consider refund request by Payton Chaffin {action item}

Christine asked if Council had any questions regarding the memo. Rick said he was happy they were worried about being late. Valerie said since they were trying to do what was right and it created a hardship, she wants to give them the refund. Rick Alonzo moved to approve the refund request by Payton Chaffin. Ron Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed. Adam Arthur – yes, Valerie Thompson – yes, Rick Alonzo – yes, Ron Smith – yes

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:09 pm