

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Bonners Ferry City Hall  
7232 Main Street  
May 20, 2022  
4:15 pm**

Mayor Dick Staples called the Council meeting of May 20, 2022, to order at 4:15 pm. Present for the meeting were: Council Members Brion Poston, Valerie Thompson, Ron Smith. Also, present were: City Administrator Lisa Ailport, City Engineer Mike Klaus, Street Superintendent Scooter Drake, Front Desk Clerk Lara Tyler. Member of the public present was: Olivia Drake

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discuss requesting modification to ITD on Phase II, US 95 Highway buffer strips- ACTION ITEM  
Mike revised his estimate from 2017 to maintain the buffer system from the bridge to La Brosse Hill. His new estimate is \$40,000 per year. Mike spoke with HMH Engineering to find out the savings if the water system and grass was removed. The savings is \$71,000. The cost to put base rock and break-away signs is \$20,000. Brion said it needs to have a weed barrier. Ron asked about concrete. Mike said the City will have to pay about \$144,000. Scooter said the salt the State uses on the roads in the winter is not good for the grass.  
Valerie Thompson moved to remove the lawn and the underground sprinkler system and consider alternatives at future meetings. Brion Poston seconded the motion. The motion passed. Ron Smith – yes, Valerie Thompson – yes, Brion Poston – yes

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm