

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Bonners Ferry City Hall
7232 Main Street
267-3105
June 7, 2022
6:00 pm**

Mayor Dick Staples called the Council meeting of June 7, 2022, to order at 6:00 pm. Present for the meeting were: Council Members Brion Poston, Valerie Thompson, Rick Alonzo and Ron Smith. Also, present were: City Administrator Lisa Ailport, City Clerk/Treasurer Christine McNair, City Attorney Andrakay Pluid, City Engineer Mike Klaus, Police Chief Brian Zimmerman and Economic Development Coordinator David Sims. Members of the public present were: Dave Anderson, Marciavee Cossette, Jerry Higgs, David Clark, Emily Bosant, Denise Crichton and Ralph Lotspeich.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dave Anderson spoke regarding the Friends of Mirror Lake projects.

REPORTS

Golf Ralph Lotspeich said the daily green fees were down for May, but the season passes were up. The new cart paths have increased the accessibility during the wetter time of the year.

EDC David Sims said the advisory meetings will resume in the month of July at the Kootenai River Inn. He attended the Housing conference.

CONSENT AGENDA – {action item}

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
 2. Approval of Bills and Payroll
 3. Approval of the May 17, 2022 Special Council meeting minutes, May 17, 2022 Council meeting minutes, May 20, 2022 Special Council meeting minutes
 4. **Electric** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the Right-of-Way grant application with the Bureau of Land Management for the Katka transmission line (attachment)
 5. **Electric** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract with Saunders Line Construction to replace underground wire (attachment)
 6. **City** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the Grant Match Letter for Fiscal Year 2023 for the Economic Development Coordinator (attachment)
 7. **City** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign Task Order #1 with Innovate for Water Meter Survey (attachment)
- Valerie Thompson moved to approve the consent agenda. Brion Poston seconded the motion. The motion passed. Ron Smith – yes, Rick Alonzo – yes, Valerie Thompson – yes, Brion Poston – yes

NEW BUSINESS

8. **Sewer** – Consider authorizing the purchase of a generator for Lift Station #3 (attachment) {action item}
Mike said one of the goals is to have a generator at every lift station. Currently Lift Stations #2, #5 & #6 have generators. Mike said the cost has increased by \$6,000. Rick Alonzo moved to authorize the purchase of a generator for Lift Station #3. Ron Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed. Valerie Thompson – yes, Rick Alonzo – yes, Brion Poston – yes, Ron Smith – yes

9. **Street** – Consider the Loader bids (attachment) {action item}
Lisa said we received two bids. The low bid was from Pape for \$212,700. Lisa spoke with Zions Bank; they offer financing with 4.17%. Valerie asked if there are early payment penalties. Lisa said there are not. Valerie Thompson moved to accept the bid from Pape Machinery for the purchase of a new loader in the amount of \$212,700 and to authorize staff to work with the vendor's or other bank financing, whichever produces the lowest bottom line cost and to prepare the appropriation lease documentation for future approval for any amount remaining after a down payment is applied. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. The motion passed. Brion Poston – yes, Ron Smith – yes, Rick Alonzo – yes, Valerie Thompson – yes

10. **City** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the dedication deed from Tim and Judith Gorshe (attachment) {action item}
Lisa said this is the completion of the land dedication from a public/private development agreement. Valerie asked Mike what the total cost was for the sewer. Mike said the Water and Sewer Department helped with the project, which made the costs come in under budget. Ron Smith moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the dedication deed from Tim and Judith Gorshe. Valerie Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed. Rick Alonzo – yes, Valerie Thompson – yes, Brion Poston – yes, Ron Smith – yes

11. **Pool** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract with Michelle Walker for water aerobics classes (attachment) {action item}

Lisa said Michelle did this as a pilot program last year. This year Michelle is interested in being a contract employee to teach water aerobics classes. Valerie Thompson moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with Michelle Walker for water aerobics classes. Brion Poston seconded the motion. The motion passed. Brion Poston – yes, Valerie Thompson – yes, Rick Alonzo – yes, Ron Smith – yes

12. **Electric** – Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract with Schweitzer Engineering Services for controls and automation upgrades at the Moyie Hydro (attachment) {action item}

Mike recommended to table this item to a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

INFORMATION – Draft minutes – Planning and Zoning meeting