MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 3/8/2022

Mayor Sean Simmons
6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members: Mike Gladhart, Mark Swayne, Jennifer Dunaway, Shannon Schrader, Josh Tilley and Doug Donner

Staff: Administrator-Ryan Smathers, Clerk-Janet R. Montambo, Treasurer-Donna Wilson, Building Official-Todd Perry, Public Works Supervisor-Shane Miller, Water/Wastewater Supervisor-Michael Martin, and Interim Fire Chief-Bart Jones

Guests: Steve Gleason, Bonnie Hutchins, Ken Harvey, Tina Lauria, Ernie Tuning, Helen Clark and Loretta Stout

Media: Nancy Butler and Elizabeth Morgan

MINUTES

Councilmember Schrader made a MOTION to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes as written held on February 22, 2022. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Councilmember Schrader made a MOTION to approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes held on February 28, 2022. Councilmember Gladhart seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

A copy of the Regular Urban Forests of Orofino Meeting Minutes held on March 1, 2022 was submitted to the Council for review and information only.

A copy of the Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes held on February 25, 2022 was submitted to the Council for review and information only.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Councilmember Donner made a MOTION to approve the regular bills and the additional bills and the payroll dated February 26, 2022. Councilmember Schrader seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

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Final Park Schedule-Treasurer Wilson submitted a copy of the 2022 Final Park Schedule for Council review.

Lewiston Blue Grass Request Dry Camp on Baseball Field/Green Area-Councilmember Schrader made a MOTION to allow the Lewiston Blue Grass Festival to dry camp on the baseball field and green area on June 2, 3 and 4th, 2022. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes. Blue Grass members will reach out to Public Works Supervisor Miller for direction on setting up.

Clearwater County Dispatch Service/Orofino Fire Department Rescue Services Agreement-A copy of an updated Clearwater County Dispatch Service/Orofino Fire Department Service Agreement was submitted to the Council for approval. The previous contract was hard to track down the hours of calls each year and there was always a discrepancy between the two departments. Sheriff Chris Goetz revised the contract and submitted to their attorney Dan Chadwick and Clearwater County Commissioners for approval. Previous year the County was billed $5,300 for calls. The dispatch was not included in old agreement but with new agreement that was included. Now with the new agreement the County will pay the City for Rescue Services in the amount of $10,000 a year.

Councilmember Gladhart made a MOTION to approve the Clearwater County Dispatch Service/Orofino Fire Department Rescue Service Agreement. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Orofino Rural Fire District Fire Services-Administrator Smathers reported he attended the last Ad-Hoch Committee meeting. The meeting was full of information and discussion. It was noted the City is not interested for Orofino Rural Fire District to become independent. The question is how to come up with a figure and it needs to be equitable. A question was asked what if each customer in the Rural District was charged a flat fee for fire services. Smathers was told by Dawn Erlewine that would not work because of the variance of values on properties. Smathers pointed out after looking at some of what the patrons are paying on a mobile home they were only being charged 80 cents for fire protection. It was noted the Ad-Hoch Committee will meet with Dawn Erlewine and Susan Spencer to get a better understanding on taxes and how they are calculated for fire protection. The Committee can make a recommendation to the Council to make a decision on the dollar amount for fire protection for the Rural District. It needs to be equal or comparable what the city residents are paying through their taxes for fire protection.

Thank you Card from OJSHS College & Career Team-Administrator Smathers reported two High School students spent a few hours at City Hall and was able to meet and ask questions regarding expectations of the different departmental employees. The students had some very good questions and was given a tour of city hall and the fire hall.

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DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Administrator-Administrator Smathers reported he is busy working with JUB for the scope of work for the Airport aprons and taxiway. The scope of work had to go to and Independent Fee Estimate Engineer and get his opinion for FAA’s approval. Smathers expects to have the contract back to be placed on the next agenda for Council approval. In other news, there will be a Helitac Crew based here at the airport to work with CPTPA this summer for firefighting. There will be a helicopter, a trailer for their office and a gas truck will be parked on the lot where the airport lights electrical building is located. It was noted HillCrest will stage two helicopters on his lot this summer to be ready for fire season.

Smathers reported the Fire Chief Applications packets are ready for those who want to apply for the position. And lastly, Ryan received a request from a Grandmother who was asking permission to paint a 4-square on the basketball courts. If permitted she would provide the paint and labor for the four square. Smathers commented he received a call from Denise Pomponio from OES stating they have two 4-square courts on the Elementary grounds but one of them is under water. Pomponio wanted the city to know they approve and staff can paint the four square. This will be helpful in separating the age groups of kids. All Councilmember’s agreed and approved the request for the 4-square court on the basketball courts.

Treasurer-Treasurer Wilson submitted a copy of the Clearwater County Tax Recap Report for Council review and information.

Building Official-Building Official Perry reported Thursday he will meet with Rebecca Vaage to do the final review on recreational vehicles amendment. Perry will take the amendment to Planning and Zoning next week for their input and schedule a public hearing. In other news Perry was informed about 2 campers in a back yard where there was people living in them. It was noted Perry ordered the trees to be planted.

Public Works-Public Works Supervisor Miller reported they are getting ready to tear down plow trucks. Public Works Crew is busy cutting down trees, street sweeping and cleaning the gravel off the sidewalks. In other news the phone line is fixed at the Business Center.

Police-Police Chief Wilson was not in attendance of the meeting. Administrator Smathers reported Chief Wilson worked the night shift before and was in Court all day today, so told him to stay home and rest.

Water/Wastewater-Water/Wastewater Supervisor Martin reported currently he is working on getting the water back on at the RV Dump sight. It was shut down because of a water leak. Martin is ordering parts for the fill station to accommodate for bigger vehicles.

Fire-Interim Fire Chief Jones reported the Rescue Truck is up and running and working out great. Jones announced the Fire Academy is March 18, 19th, and 20th, 2022. Fire Chief Jones wanted to publically thank Holly Hardin for the years of service on the Fire Department. Jones had to remove City of Orofino Regular Council Meeting held 3/8/2022
her from the roster for service. Hardin is going through some health issues and need to figure out before she can come back on duty.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:45 p.m., Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to adjourn. Councilmember Schrader seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Sean Simmons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janet R. Montambo, City Clerk

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