MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD 4/23/2019

Mayor Ryan Smathers

6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members: Jennifer Dunaway, Mark Swayne, Don Gardner, Shannon Schrader, and Josh Tilley

Absent: Sean Simmons

Staff: City Administrator-Rick E. Laam, Clerk-Janet R. Montambo, Treasurer-Donna Wilson, Building Official-Todd Perry, Public Works Supervisor-Shane Miller, Water/Wastewater Supervisor-Michael Martin, Police Chief-Jeff Wilson and Fire Chief-Jon Hoyt

Guests: Shannon Carducci, Jaden Tilley, Erik Knight, Jared Gray, Jeremiah Grimshaw, Ethan Hatmaker, and Joshua Grimshaw

Media: Elizabeth Morgan and Nancy Butler

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

Councilmember Schrader made a MOTION to amend the agenda and add the Additional Bills as presented. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

MINUTES

Councilmember Gardner made a MOTION to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes as written April 9, 2019. Councilmember Schrader seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

A copy of the Planning and Zoning Meeting Minutes for March 19, 2019 and April 16, 2019 were submitted to the Council for review.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Councilmember Schrader made a MOTION to approve the regular bills and the additional bills as presented and the Payroll ending April 13, 2019. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

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PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, APPEALS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Tennis Courts Proposal - Shannon Carducci, a resident of Orofino presented a proposal to the Council regarding a Pickleball Court. Mr. Carducci will donate his time and paint lines on the tennis court. The painted lines will create 2 Pickleball Courts and can be available for play with temporary nets. The lines will be painted on one side of the tennis court, the other side has cracks in it and makes it hard to play tennis. Carducci belongs to Team Selkirk in Coeur d’Alene and has been an avid Pickleball player for 6 years. He participates in Pickleball Tournaments as a player and equipment director. Carducci commented a pickleball court is the same size as a double’s badminton court and measures 20x44. In pickleball, the same court is used for both singles and doubles play. The net height is 36 inches at the sidelines and 34 inches in the middle. The court is striped similar to a tennis court with right and left service courts and a 7-foot non-volley zone in front of the net. Courts can be constructed specifically for pickleball or they can be converted using existing tennis or badminton courts. In addition to providing paint to paint the court and the contribution of paddles, balls and portable nets, Carducci commented he will co-ordinate a beginner clinic and introduce to the citizens and school kids. Pickleball is a paddle sport created for all ages and skill levels. The rules are simple, and the game is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players. Pickleball is being introduced to kids and teenagers in physical education classes in middle and high schools.

Councilmembers questioned Carducci on what other cities do and where is the equipment stored. Carducci stated equipment for Pickleball is stored in a locked box and hangs on the outside of the Tennis Court/Pickleball Court fence. With a key entry lock or combination lock anyone can get the nets, balls and paddles out to play pickleball. Councilmember Gardner commented the tennis team at the high school will still have priority use during their season and did not want any conflict with the tennis players. It was noted that Pickleball courts were also included as one of the objectives in the City’s Activity Connection Plan. Councilmembers like the multiuse approach of existing courts with no cost to the city.

Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to allow Shannon Carducci to paint lines on the tennis courts for a Pickleball Court. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

News Release City of Orofino awarded $250,000 Grant - A copy of the News Release was submitted to the Council for review. The City of Orofino was awarded a $250,000 Grant from the Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation for Health. The purpose of the three-year grant is to mobilize the community to make sustainable changes that promote healthy living for youth. The grant begins in June and runs through 2021. A collaborative process with community leaders and the Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation for Health will help determine an action plan for the grant. The grant is administered in two phases:

- Phase 1: Planning (2019-2020)

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Establish partnerships
Understand community assets and needs
Develop a grant strategy
- Phase 2: Funding and Execution (2020-2021)
  Implement strategy
  Leverage and build sustainable solutions

A meeting will be set up in the near future, the grant begins in June.

Thank you note regarding Airport Terminal - The City of Orofino received a Thank You note from one of the out of town pilots that recently stopped to purchase Avgas for his plane. The thank you note was complimenting the Orofino Airport as having the nicest pilots lounge that he has ever encountered in all his years of flying.

Clearwater Jet Boat Club close Johnson Avenue Request - Chris Barger, President of the Clearwater Jet Boat Club was requesting to block off and close Johnson Ave. from First Street to College Avenue on Friday June 14th from 5:00-9:00 p.m. so the Clearwater Jet Boat Club can park their boats on the street and have a Boat Show & Shine.

Councilmember Schrader made a MOTION to close Johnson Avenue on Friday June 14th, 2019 from 5:00-9:00 p.m. so Clearwater Jet Boat Club can have a Boat Show & Shine. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Nez Perce Business Association Event Invitation - The City of Orofino received an invitation to the first annual Nez Perce Business Association Event from Ann McCormack, Economic Development Planner. The event will take place May 5, 2019, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Clearwater River Casino & Lodge Convention Center.

Proclamation - Mayor Smathers signed a Proclamation honoring Orofino Rotary Club whose members have contributed 40 years of service to the community. The week of April 19th through April 28, 2019 is Proclaimed as “Service above Self Super-Week”.

Annexation Findings and Fact - The Annexation Application, Annexation Plan and Findings and Fact from the Planning and Zoning Commission were postponed until a later date. Mayor Smathers announced the agreement between him and Wendi Richardson had changed regarding the property in question for annexation.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Administrator - Administrator Laam reported the Council had previously passed an Ordinance to sell the Partee property on Highway 12. The city has an interested buyer who would like to sign the purchase agreement tomorrow for $25,000. In other news, three separate bids for the Airport project will be advertised this week in the paper for seal coating, removing trees and improvements to the runway safety area. May 16th, 2019 is the bid opening. It was noted the Avgas cardlock City of Orofino Regular Council Meeting held 4-23-2019
system was received last Friday. Laam is trying to schedule the week of May 27th for Mascot Equipment to install the new system.

The proposed updates and changes to the city’s Personnel Policy and Procedures is ready for final Council’s review and approval. Laam indicated it takes a Resolution to ratify the changes.

Laam inquired from the Council if they have any budget requests for next year’s budget to please contact him or Donna so we can plug these requests into the upcoming budget.

Treasurer - Treasurer Wilson submitted the Treasurer’s Quarterly Report ending March 31, 2019, Revenue vs. Expenditure by Fund Report and the County Tax Recap Report to the Council for review.

Building Official - Building Official Perry submitted the March 2019 Building Permit Report for Council review. Perry reported the UFO Committee completed planting five trees in the city park by the dike. A memorial tree was planted with a plaque for Brent Richardson and a plaque was placed in front of Clarke Burnham’s Memorial Tree. In other news, Perry along with Water/Wastewater Supervisor Martin and Jim Thornton, completed and installed the railing by the new stairs in the park. Another railing will be built and installed for the other set of stairs by the barn. A 4x8 sign was installed at the bottom of Dent Bridge Road.

Public Works - Public Works Supervisor Miller reported he received the Biolencia chemical today and hopes to work with Michael to get the pump installed to help disperse the chemical in the sewer system to help dissolve the grease in the system. It was noted Public Works Crew is busy with cleaning and repairing after a couple of days of flooding. Miller reported they are experiencing numerous break downs with belts on the street sweeper. Each year he has been putting money aside to eventually replace the street sweeper. During the next three days, public works will be getting the park ready for the Community Wide Clean up and Arbor Day Celebration.

Police - Police Chief Wilson reported Officer Kyle Atba will be moving on to a different occupation sometime in May, so there will be a vacancy in the police department. Police Chief Wilson is working on a State Grant where the police officers will be equipped with Narcan. Wilson wanted to give a shout out to Darbie Zick’s fast response and identifying an overdose victim, Narcan was administered and the person was saved from overdose death. Wilson is working on a State Grant that covers a police officer’s necessary training to administer Narcan in the event they come across an overdosed victim. Officers are dealing with an opioid and fentanyl epidemic and need to be prepared on identifying when they come across victims who have overdosed.

Water/Wastewater - Water/Wastewater Supervisor Martin reported with the high water in the river, mud and debris was found in the water plant filter. The filter removes dirt and debris, but it was discovered in one of the membranes it was full of tiny holes allowing it to pass through. Martin commented it was a tedious job to clean the membrane. It was noted there is a necessity to post

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more in-depth instructions on the use of the new Water Station Pump at the RV Station. People are becoming confused on how to use the pump.

Fire - Fire Chief Hoyt reported the Fire Department is busy cleaning up around the Fire Stations and will be available to help on Saturday for the Community Wide Clean up. It was noted Chief Hoyt was recertified with Emergency Management Services to help out with the ambulance team.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 803 - Ordinance No. 803 was not acted upon and was postponed until at a later date.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilmember Schrader inquired about the time for Councilmember’s to be down at the park for the Tree City USA award. Administrator Laam commented at 12:00 noon.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jared Gray introduced some of the Boy Scouts that were in attendance of the meeting. Sometime in the future they will present Eagle Scout projects to the Council for review and approval. Mayor and Councilmembers welcomed the Boy Scouts and look forward to working with them for future Eagle Scout projects.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:53 p.m., Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to adjourn. Councilmember Schrader seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Ryan Smathers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janet R. Montambo

Janet R. Montambo, City Clerk

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