MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 9/8/2020

Mayor Pro Tem-Jennifer Dunaway
6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members: Jon Isbelle, Mark Swayne, Josh Tilley and Doug Donner
Absent: Councilmember Shannon Schrader and Mayor Sean Simmons
Staff: City 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 Police Chief-Jeff Wilson
Absent: Fire Chief-Jon Hoyt
Media: No one in attendance

MINUTES

Councilmember Tilley made a MOTION to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes held on August 25, 2020. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Councilmember Swayne made a MOTION to approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes held on September 1, 2020. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Councilmember Donner made a MOTION to approve the regular bills and the additional bills as presented and the payroll ending August 29, 2020. Councilmember Isbelle seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, APPEALS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Senior Project Request-Cassidy Leidheiser addressed the Council stating she is a Junior/Senior at Orofino High School and planning a race to take place on September 26th. The race is to help her raise funds to help purchase and install a defibrillator in our local ambulance. The race is similar to Bryton Andersons Mud Run back in 2016. Leidheiser provided a copy of a map to the Council on the route and obstacles for the participants to go through. Leidheiser commented she will have City of Orofino Regular Council Meeting held 9/8/2020
two volunteers at each obstacle to make sure everyone makes it through okay and no one is hurt. The fire department will help volunteer during the race. Leidheiser will get permission from property owners where some of the obstacles will be placed. The participants when registering and paying their entry fee will sign a waiver of liability. Councilmember’s inquired how much does a Defibrillator cost, Leidheiser commented it costs $25,000, Previously they sold Ambulance Shirts to help with the Fundraiser and what she brings in from the entry fee will go towards the purchase. Councilmember Swayne made a MOTION to approve Cassidy Leidheiser request for the run and Fundraiser. Councilmember Isbelle seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Orofino Vendor Request for Clearwater County Fair September 18 & 19th, 2020-The City of Orofino received a letter from Pam Emigh, Orofino Vendor. Ms. Emigh is working with Allison Dorland, Shot Glass and they would like to help the Orofino economy by promoting an event during the Fair Weekend on Friday and Saturday, September 18 and 19th, 2020. The request is to close Johnson Avenue and College to car traffic for vendors to set up and sell on the street. Leaving Main Street open for through traffic. Johnson would be closed from Michigan to First Street intersection like the Show and Shine in July. This is a non-profit event. The fees are $50 per 10x10 booth. All profits will go back to the kids, into the 4-H ribbon award money or/and the Show and Shine Scholarship fund.

Councilmember Swayne made a MOTION to approve the request and close Johnson Avenue to through traffic for Friday and Saturday September 18th and 19th, 2020 for the Vendors to set up. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Potential Replacement of Fire Departments Brush Truck-Administrator Smathers gave an update to the Council. The Fire Departments Brush Truck broke down and there is a need to find another one. Currently, there is a 2005 Dodge truck with a utility bed for $20,000 with seventy thousand miles and is a manual drive. The Fire Department need a one ton truck so they can outfit it with a utility hose and to be able to reach smaller areas. Smathers just wanted to give the Council a heads up for in the event if they find one for Council approval.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Administrator-Administrator Smathers reported the Corp Firefighting Contract was finally approved. The new proposal is set at $5,000 a year for a five (5) year contract. This week the Orofino Airport was closed to non-fire related flights. Department of Lands and the Forest Service are using the airport for a staging area for helicopters and planes to help in fighting the area fires in Cavendish and Mile Marker 49 on Highway 12. Smathers commented a Notam was issued and the airport will be closed all next week for the Contractor to begin the ditch line work at the west end.

Treasurer-Treasurer Wilson submitted the Revenue vs. Expenditure Report by Fund ending July 2020 to the Council for review.

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Building Official—Building Official Perry reported Hugh Miller poured the concrete for the steps in the Park and he completed a small sidewalk at the Wastewater Plant and he completed an ADA ramp at the Airport Terminal.

Public Works—Public Works Supervisor Miller reported the Fuel tank at the airport has been painted and the new placards were installed. Next week Crea Construction will be here to complete the ditch line at the Airport. In other news Luke Winterringer 1999 Ford Truck broke down. The manifold went out and they are looking for a used part. This next week the Sewer system maintenance will begin.

Police—No report. Police Chief Wilson excused himself from the meeting, he had the night shift and received a call out through Dispatch.

Water/Wastewater—Water/Wastewater Supervisor Martin reported the Contractor will be here after Labor Day to begin the work on the water tank. Martin is not happy with the contractor because they did not show up when stated earlier. Martin will try to contact them to confirm the actual date for when they can begin the tank maintenance.

Fire—No report. Fire Chief Hoyt was not in attendance of the meeting because of area wild land and structure fires. Administrator Smathers reported and expressed his appreciation to see back up help for the Cavendish Fire. Area firefighters from Clearwater Paper Fire, Troy Fire, Moscow Fire, Lewiston Fire and Clarkston Fire crews showed up to help our local fire crew in fighting the fire in Cavendish. The three Fire Marshall’s were amazed and Fire Chief Hoyt was very much appreciative of the backup help. Councilmember Dunaway voiced her appreciation and commended the Department of Lands and the Forest Service Crew that helped also. Smathers reported there was thirteen (13) homes, thirty one plus (31) outbuildings, twenty six (26) vehicles and one sheriff vehicle lost in the fires. The evacuation center was set up at the old Junior High Gym, but no one showed up. Most of the family’s checked into White Pine, Konkolyville and Best Western. It was noted Red Cross provided a hotel in Lewiston if anyone wanted to go there. But due to Covid Red Cross did not have a central location.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilmember Swayne made a MOTION to take Resolution No. 20-494 off the table and add to the agenda for discussion. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Treasurer Wilson reported that she received more information from Justin Ruen, AIC on the Forgone Tax Resolution. If the Council does not want this year’s Forgone Tax to accrual and use at a later date the Council would need to vote Nay on Resolution No. 20-494, but if they pass this Resolution this would reserve it for in the future for use. Treasurer Wilson reported they would not have to take the full amount and can use it in increments in the future. Councilmember’s
Dunaway and Swayne commented that if it's not needed this year they don't want to reserve it for later.

Councilmember Swayne made a MOTION to pass Resolution No. 20-494 with the understanding if voted aye then this would reserve the 3% for future use and if vote nay on Resolution No. 20-494 that is waiving the 3% and will not be passed on to tax payers for future use. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion. Resolution No. 20-494 failed with the roll call vote as follows: Councilmember Donner, Nay; Councilmember Tilley, Nay; Councilmember Swayne, Nay; and Councilmember Isbelle, Nay.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilmember Tilley complimented Cassidy Leidheiser on a job well done with her Senior Project request.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:45 p.m., Councilmember Tilley made a MOTION to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 subsection 1 (i) to engage in communications with a representative of the public agency's risk manager or insurance provider to discuss the adjustment of a pending claim or prevention of a claim imminently likely to be filed. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:57 p.m., Councilmember Swayne made a MOTION to adjourn. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Jennifer Dunaway, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Janet R. Montambo, City Clerk

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