MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 6/13/2023

Mayor Sean Simmons
6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Staff: Administrator-Ryan Smathers, Clerk Treasurer-Donna Wilson, Building Official Todd Perry, Water/Wastewater Supervisor-Michael Martin, Police Chief-Vincent Frazier and Fire Chief-Bart Jones

Guests: Alan Schumacher, Sal Lauria, Loretta Stout, LJ Reece, Chris McCune, Dennis Fuller, Shelly Donner, Steven Kinzer and Helen Clark

Media: Elizabeth Morgan and Nancy Butler

Absent: Council Member Shannon Schrader and Public Works Supervisor-Shane Miller

MINUTES

Councilmember Donner made a MOTION to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes as written held on May 23, 2023. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

A copy of the Regular Planning and Zoning of Orofino Meeting Minutes held June 20, 2023 was submitted to the Council for review and information only.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Councilmember Swayne made a MOTION to approve the regular bills, the additional bills and the payroll dated June 6, 2023. Councilmember Dunaway seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, APPEALS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Request for Proposals for Grant Administration Services -- Administrator Smathers reported that this is in anticipation of the downtown revitalization project. The project will utilize federal funds.
and will need a grant administrator. Councilmember Donner inquired if grant administration services were an entity? Administrator Smathers stated that would be like what was needed for the Champion Park bathroom project and the city had used CEDA for this. Councilmember Gladhart inquired on how the grant administrator is selected? Administrator Smathers stated that it is done with a scoring process if there are multiple requests received. Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to approve the request for proposals for grant administration services for the downtown revitalization project. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

**ITD Grant Agreement for ADA Curb Ramps – Cooperative Agreement Project No. A023(360)**

**FY 23 Orofino 12 ADA Curb Ramps Key No. 23360 – Councilmember Donner made a MOTION to accept the ITD Grant Agreement for ADA Curb Ramps Project No. A023(360) FY 23 Orofino 12 ADA Curb Ramps. Councilmember Gladhart seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.**

**Library Road Closure Request –** Administrator Smathers reported for clarification he did send this request out in email because of a timing issue and needing a quick decision. He didn't want to make them wait for an answer. There were enough of councilmembers that had responded for the okay to close the street June 14, 2023. Smathers wanted to make sure that it went through council properly and was voted on in the council meeting. Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to allow the Library Road closure. Councilmember Swayne seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

**Orofino Adventure Park Trail & Disc Golf Feasibility Study Funds Request – CCED Director Susan Jacobson reported they have been looking for what additional things that have been identified strategies around improvements in the community and where there were possible grant opportunities. With the projects at the bike park being completed, Champion Park is just about coming to its conclusion, and the other trails and all of those have come together. They are starting to look at what is next? Jacobson went back to the studies that were performed by Chris St Germaine, as well as the Blue Cross Transformation Grant also did a comprehensive recreation study. Those surveys identified some more recreation options. The next items were Disc Golf, a climbing wall, zip lines, and a dog park. Those are some of the next kinds of interests that had the most interest. Jacobson reported that she had done a project in another community that was a disc golf project. She reached out to the designer for that course that designs for cities. There are some nuances due to liability for cities to do it versus just saying, “You love to play disc golf go put a course together for us”. This particular designer actually designs championship courses. The World Championships are played on his courses that consider him the Robert Trent Jones of golf courses. He does not have a course in Idaho and is very eager to have one and to work with the city in pricing structure. Jacobson reported that she knows that the council had identified interest in the city property that is on the other side of the river, above the cemetery and up in that area. Then around the dump hill there are two large parcels there. She sent the topo to him and the imprint and asked if he could do something in the hillside. He was under the impression he may be able to but he has to come out and walk the ground and take a look at it to determine maybe of the two sites what makes more sense. He sent some projects he has done in Colorado that were

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very similar topography, and they've started to actually create not only disc golf for hiking trails, they do hiking trails and picnic areas around the disc golf. Looking at the project on the larger scale of that, maybe it would be a phased project and bring in some of these other things that people are asking. Create a dog park in that area, a ropes course that may be within it might have some zipline components, just all of those types of activities, a bouldering area with a climbing wall. The easiest to achieve first would be this disc golf course. The request for $5000 is to have him come out to the site. The scope of his work is there; it is very comprehensive. She has walked with him on the feasibility study he did in the other rural community. Jacobson stated you come away with “yes”, this can happen. It can be this many holes. Here are the parameters; this is what it will look like; it could be championship or it can be this or it could be that. This is the best site for it and even gives you a rough layout of what it might look like. There are some other grant opportunities. The Gem Grant for $50,000 that this would be eligible for she did speak with her contact at Commerce. There are some parameters around that she would need to work through. The LC Valley Foundation has a large-scale grant that is $100,000; that is due at the end of July. In the immediate days, there are some grant opportunities to fund the project as a whole; the disc golf, hiking trail and picnic area. Kathy Muir is coming in July. Jacobson stated she would show her and look at the potential for long term through state park funds if it was built out in a phase type project. Councilmember Gladhart inquired on who pays the bill for the maintenance of the disc golf course? Director Jacobson stated the way that these courses have worked in the past is typically a disc golf club will enter in to a MOU with the cities. She has a letter from Hells Canyon Disc Golf. Nathan Graves has run and previously ran the Disc Golf Club in Lewiston and worked with others. They also helped build the one out at Freeman Creek and he has a disc golf company called expedition Disc Golf. He goes on to say how awesome it would be and wants to show support. And then also to know that you have the disc golf club and their support for anything going forward. A local resident, Dwayne Bansemer is a disc golfing enthusiast she reached out to him and he was also involved in Freeman Creek up at the lake and he is very interested in being able to lead a disc golf club; that was going to be what she would look into to ask to enter into a MOU with a disc golf club that is formed here in our local area to do that and all the ones when she did the research for the other rural community. That is how they function. Councilmember Gladhart stated at the beginning of the one at Freeman Creek everyone was all involved with it. After the first year it died off and now Freeman Creek has to pay the bill to take care of it. Director Jacobson stated that she has received calls from people stating that Freeman Creek was too far out and difficult to get out there all of the time. She did learn at Hells Canyon there is a league in the area that plays multiple courses and so they travel around each month and go to a different course. Councilmember Donner inquired if there was enough flat land behind the cemetery? Director Jacobson stated with the disc golf courses part of the challenges is the hillside is some of what makes the dynamic of the sport. It isn’t not a fairway sport like traditional golf. There are open fairways that they use on flat, so he looks to benches. She hasn’t gotten to walk the area, but they have been doing some research on the potential. There are more landings than realized; a place for a tee box. There would potentially some need for excavation. She has had a conversation with AmeriCorps; their conservation corps team that do projects about coming up and being involved. They would love to have a project like that. There are many possible options with the design and could a two to three phased project. Councilmember Gladhart inquired how many grants does the
city need? How many things does the city need? Gladhart stated somebody has to pay for it. Everyone says it is free, but it really is not. He stated that he doesn’t think that the city needs it. Director Jacobson reported the goals from what she understands in the different studies and surveys that were performed talk about from a workforce development standpoint, her meetings at Night Force and with the hospital and a few of the other employers in the area is they’re still having challenges retaining employees. That retention piece is because they’re bringing in skilled labor from out of the area that are used to having amenities for their families. When summer hits and school is out there are some challenges, and there isn’t enough for families to do. She thinks it is going to bring some also visitor dollars. Mayor Simmons stated that this would be another attraction where there will be something for kids and family. Director Jacobson stated things cost so much to go do. This is something that is a free activity. It is a big age demographic from 17 to 71. The amount that is being requested is $5000 for the feasibility study. Councilmember Dunaway inquired about Director Jacobson putting in the application for the Gem Grant and that requires a 20% match and asked if any of that is able to be in kind? Director Jacobson stated that 50% is allowed to be in kind. It can also be outside donor funds from a sponsor. Councilmember Dunaway stated that should would personally like to see some of the other projects be completed before spending money on another project. She does agree that projects like this need to be done as it is certainly important for employee retention and keeping people in the community, but there are so many projects not completed. Director Jacobson stated she is not asking to start the disc golf right away; this is just for the feasibility study. Mayor Simmons inquired what the time would be to receive the funds? Director Jacobson reported that September would be the first funds seen; then September October if the LC Valley Foundation grant. Application for the State Park and Recs close in January. Mayor Simmons inquired if this could be pushed out to the next fiscal year? Director Jacobson stated do the feasibility study now and wait to go after course construction. Administrator Smathers inquired if they approved the feasibility study how long would it be until the report would be received? Director Jacobson stated it take approximately five to 10 days and will usually have a pencil drawing of it before he leaves town. Councilmember Dunaway inquired if the request was to get the feasibility study prior to submitting the Gem Grant? Director Jacobson stated the designer would not be there soon enough to complete it before the Gem Grant is due. She stated she thought it would be good to have because a resolution before. After talking with commerce; with a Gem Grant application the whole thing would have to be done for $50,000. Her question to Mr. Houk is for a nine-hole design, implementation, baskets, tee pads and everything that is needed can it be done for $50,000 based on pricing and costs as of today she would have to save the Gem Grant. An 18-hole golf course in two phases to be eligible that the whole thing pays. Gem Grant will not come alongside another grant. She is fine to wait on the Gem Grant. September is the next cycle; it is quarterly. Councilmember Dunaway stated that she feels the trails are probably at the top of the list before a disc golf course. Is the Gem Grant able to be used for trails only? Director Jacobson stated yes, the trails system in that park area could be called phase one. She also reported that she could talk to him to come out do the feasibility study; then look at it as implementation, get the trail and footprint. Then go after another grant to put in the tee pads, the baskets and signage. Councilmember Dunaway stated that there has been talk about doing trails up there for a while. Administrator Smathers stated that she is not asking to build a disc golf course right away; it is the conceptual design of that property. Think back about the connectivity plan that was done in previous years. That design is still used when
an Eagle Scout, a community group or rotary that look at projects, they still look at those plans years later and take off a section or two or looking for a project. Councilmember Dunaway inquired if the trails are used as phase one and use the Gem Grant for those trails. Can the Gem Grant be applied for and then say yes to the feasibility study pending the award of the Gem Grant? Director Jacobson stated the only challenge would be that we wouldn’t get the design. As part of the feasibility study Mr. Houk will essentially master plan the first phase of the hillside and give a plan as to where trails should be. If trails were to be cut in without the design and decide to proceed on a disc golf course, some of the trails may be in the way and that will not work. Councilmember Dunaway inquired that if the funds of the Gem Grant were awarded, can $5000 of those funds be used for the feasibility study? Director Jacobson stated if the feasibility study first, funds cannot be retroactively applied. Councilmember Dunaway stated she would like to table the feasibility study until knowing the outcome of the Gem Grant. Director Jacobson stated the only challenge with tabling the feasibility study is she has to have a full estimate in order to submit a grant. There would be no information to present with the grant. Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to deny the request for the Orofino Adventure Park Trail & Disc Golf Feasibility Study Funds Request and table the request for the future. Councilmember Gladhart seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Orofino Adventure Park – Gem Grant & Resolution – Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to deny the application for the Orofino Adventure Park Gem Grant & Resolution and delay until the next quarter. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

CEDA Letter of Support – Get Healthy Idaho – Councilmember Donner made a MOTION to approve the CEDA Letter of Support – Get Healthy Idaho. Councilmember Dunaway seconded the motion and it passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.

Downtown Entertainment District Ordinance Review – Administrator Smathers reported that there was a discussion with Chief Frazier. This is still an ongoing discussion. Just wanted the council to review and is okay with the general direction of it. Chief Frazier stated he has had several people approach him reminding how former administration struggled and fought with the City Council to remove the alcohol from downtown because of all the problems that were had in the past over festivities. It was cleaned up and alcohol stayed in the bars. You could have alcohol down in the park if you wanted to do that with the family, but in that was a great struggle. That was a seesaw and several other organizations that shared with Jeff to get that changed. He will be the first one to say and Mike can attest lumberjack days and some of those festivities; where back in the day a knock down drag out and Chief Frazier stated wholeheartedly was because of 90% of alcohol that was being served on the streets; broken glass, vandalisms and all that going on and that is what was stressed to him by these people. Reminding him of where we come in why we can’t have a fun time downtown without alcohol. But with that being said, he thinks if the City is going to go this direction, making sure we have our ducks in a row. Have a resolution and have ultimately who’s responsible, the guidelines spelled out firmly enough that people are stepping into this understand what they’re getting themselves into. He thinks that is the direction the Council is to go if they choose to go that direction. So again, the paperwork that he had supplied Ryan was City of Orofino Regular Council Meeting held 6/13/2023
paperwork that he had gotten part of it from Moscow and a couple of other cities that have these and it's what they have trial and errors are what they've come up with to try to curb that. Obviously the City doesn't have University of Idaho football homecoming, but they do. So they understood some of the dynamics, and this is what they came up with to make some of those things work. So again, ultimately, it just needs to be that's the way the direction the council wants to go. But these are definitely ideas and that is still under discussion phase. Mayor Simmons stated ultimately they would have to come to the City for approval on a case by case basis with extreme limitations. Administrator Smathers stated this would be events only, not Lumberjack Days. Councilmember Dunaway stated that is the most important part to focus on events, footprint and responsibility. Continued discussion will be done at a work session scheduled for August 1, 2023.

Dennis Fuller — Fair Building Flooding-Storm Drain Issues — Dennis reported that he is fed up with the problem and have been fighting for years, and nobody seems to come up with the solution for when the fair building floods. He is coming to council and asking for some help. He stated that previously they were able to receive help from the inmates, but are unable to receive that help due to the new work program. He stated that he asked if there were some service projects or kids looking to make some extra money. He was able to use a connection and did get help from two inmates to help get the biggest share of the front part of the building cleaned up. It is a mess and it is no fun cleaning up. Dennis reported that last year they had spent approximately $15,000 to raise up the office so they can get above the floodplain. He understands that it is a floodplain and the City is not responsible for the rain the deluge that happens every once in a while. And it is only when we have those deluge is when it happens. The wood screens are thin wood veneer and they are getting warped. They have to wash and clean them up, but they are so warped they will need to redo those. And the water has gone up the wall about six inches. Dennis stated that the drain doesn’t drain fast enough. He stated that there has to be a way to put a pump in there and have it pumped out to the river. But the drain has been the problem. Dennis reported that they put in a French drain. Water is coming in through the front and running all the way to the back. The back is the high end of the building and doesn’t get that deep in mud. The mud is in the front. They used to be able to get Twin Ridge Fire to come down and clean up some of the dirt with the fire hoses. If they were to put a French drain on the railroad side of the building, it just drains in to the same drain. Water/Wastewater Supervisor Martin stated that what he thinks Building Official Perry stated that the drain there gravity feeds to a pump station and the pump station pumps out in the river. Building Official Perry stated that he thinks everybody recognizes that the City park is part of the floodplain. The best thing to do in the floodplain is build a park. Let the floodwaters come and then it will leave, you get some mud on the grass and everything is okay. He looked at that building, and looked on the inside. He thought to himself years ago, they had a pretty good idea. It's a metal building. The water comes in and leaves no big deal. He sees some wood in there and other things that probably shouldn't be there. Building Official Perry thinks that might be adding to the frustration. May be the wood and other items do not belong there. He stated that he looked at the gazebo. He noticed that they have walls, but they're off the ground; starting to think they kind of knew what they were doing years ago. Knowing that floodwaters are going to come and they're going to go and we do have some pumps in there. It is pretty flat right there and he thinks that is why the drain moves slow. Councilmember Swayne stated that the park floods periodically. It really floods three and four foot of water in there at times. He stated that City of Orofino Regular Council Meeting held 6/13/2023
he thinks when that building was build, it is an all metal building with the idea that it would rain and you just clean it up and move on. The building was put up in the 1940's. Can a grant be found to rebuild? The fair building is an old county building in the City Park. In order to find a solution the City and County would need to have some close interaction to do something for the park and for the community. The park is a magnet for everybody in the county. Everybody knows that and respects that likewise. Councilmember Swayne stated that he thinks that one of thing that needs to be looked at is jointly coming together and finding a replacement for that one. Maybe the bottom floor would be something that could take water and would just have to be cleaned out, but add a second floor, which then you have offices and other types of things. Make it a year around usable space. Water/Wastewater Supervisor Martin reported that at one time the City council offered to build a facility, be no one wanted to relinquish the ownership. Councilmember Swayne stated that is the problem he sees, but the solution is to build a new building. How to do that and how to coordinated to work with each other and find the funding for it. To him that is the solution that will make not only the County fair better, but make the City better. Dennis stated that he is all for that, but in the meantime the fair board is having to clean it up and they are all older folks. Helen Clark had a suggestion of contacting juvenile misdemeanor or probation to see if there is any community service that needs to be done. Councilmember Gladhart stated that maybe CTPTA could help out too. They have new people all the time that need training. There are a number of fire departments around that might be able to help with the big fire hoses. Chief Frazier stated that he messaged Elena to see if there is any community service. Dennis stated that they are willing to pay $10 per hour. Councilmember Dunaway stated that a new building is the ultimate solution.

**Letter Regarding Jake Brakes on Trucks – Renee Hedrick** – A letter from Renee Hedrick addressing her concern regarding the truck drivers using their jake (compression) brakes within the city limits was provided to the council for information only.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**Administrator** - Administrator Smathers reported that Eyler White and his group put a final day on the bike park. And it is being used every time has gone by it. The Mayor has allocated his Mayor’s walking challenge funds to some finishing touches whether it is landscaping or whatever is determined as needed at this point. The outdoor exercise equipment that was designed by John Erbst and built by JC Savage and the shop at the high school is completed. Public Works Supervisor Miller picked it up and delivered it to a company in Lewiston formally called Custom Coat now known as Blasted and Baked for powder coating. This was funded by the Blue Cross Grant almost two years ago. JC got the project started with one group that graduated and then he had to get the others trained to finish it. The company in Lewiston honored their quote from two years ago to powder coat the equipment. The Champion Park restroom will be delivered on Thursday. A picture of the restroom was received and he posted it to social medial. There were that neighbors that came in and thanked the City for designing it that way. He is getting good feedback on the social media. Administrator Smathers reported that Tony Tenny from the Idaho Department of Commerce was Department in town last week, last week, and did a walking tour on the downtown revitalization project, kind of walked and looked at some of the challenges with the ADA ramps the streets he had initially told us he had a half an hour to be here. He was here City of Orofino Regular Council Meeting held 6/13/2023
for more than four hours and wandered around and stayed for lunch. They ended up walking all the way to Champion Park to look at the restroom project. The downtown revitalization committee met again. Administrator Smathers provided information to the council with the results of all the community interviews that were done. What the concerns were from the community and so they had the worksheet with them. They did a walking tour yesterday of the area and they did their homework on what they liked, what they didn't like, what they would like to see and what they don't want to see. Good people on the committee and they are not afraid to state their opinion and Smathers fight for it. It is important to see what the citizens want in downtown. After almost two years of talking and planning this, thanks to Morgan Moore who had gotten a hold of him two years ago and stated that Orofino’s airport really needs cameras and weather station. Morgan said he can come in and can check the weather in Greenville and can check the weather in Lewiston and when he comes over the hill to land in Orofino and it's completely fogged in. At the time city had COVID funds that were going to pay for this. Those funds went away so the City actually budgeted for this. They installed the two webcams and the weather station down at the airport. The gentleman and his wife that came flew up with Morgan this at their airport cost is Paul and Gail Porman. They run the website for these back country airports and now the City is part of a network that pilots can log into. The cameras are outstanding quality you can see up river and down river that will go live within two days. The cameras are actually live right now, the City is just not listed on their website yet. So he had to go back and do some work at home on the computer to get that going. Administrator Smathers stated that he thinks it will be used a lot. He did give Dominic Pomponio a heads up at Life Flight because there are a number of times that Life Flight flies in and can’t land because of the fog. It may save them some Portman time and he thinks that in itself is worth the $2,800 that the City invested in this. He is going to do a press release when it's live There were pilots in as a group last night from Mississippi, Arkansas, California and Louisiana. There was a group of nine in five different aircraft that came in, ate and stayed the night. To hear their comments were really impressive. Administrator Smathers provided the council with the JUB engineering update. There were no bids received on the child pedestrian project and they have the had the same problem in other communities with this kind of a project. The contractors are so busy. The goal was to get it done during summer break of school. With the contractors being so busy they Portman just aren't bidding on these littler jobs. LTHAC has already suggested that the City request an extension and try again this fall. Just put it out for bid and get that project done. Lastly, we've hit kind of a snag at the tennis courts not on the concrete or the basketball fencing, but it's with the tennis court fencing, the lights and the grant that we have. The costs have soared. Now we are rebidding a few things to see if we can make some of it work but the Portman main one is it's because it's an Idaho Parks and Rec grant. They want the power buried and the cost of that may stop the whole project. We don't know why it was quoted the way it was in the first place. The initial in the in the application, it was a $2,000 price tag Avista was going to bury the lines and install the lights for $2,000. And now we're talking $118,000. He stated they will sit down with Avista and Innovative Electric and see where to go from here. The other part of it is scheduled to be finished; the fencing and the pad we've worked with Josh again. Those parts will get done but may have to wait on the rest of it. The City is 48 to 72 hours from the new website going live. Still need bios for the council and department heads to go with their pictures. There are several pages that say they are under construction and are coming soon.

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Clerk Treasurer-Clerk Treasurer Wilson reported that she had just returned from National PRIMA training in Long Beach, California. There was a lot of good information for risk management. There were a number of classes to attend, but many more that would have been good to attend. Attended the classes that were a little more pertinent to the job that she does. She is hoping to be able to attend again next year. There were some long day, a lot of information. She stated that she was able to meeting different people and making connections all across the United States. A rough very rough draft of the department’s budgets were given to the council and department heads, but they will present their budgets at a later date.

Building Official-Building Official Perry reported he is working on a building inventory. For all of the buildings in the building downtown revitalization map area. Downloaded an app and will go around and like GPS on each building, then given a condition or evaluating the condition of the building, from what he can determine from the outside. Official Perry reported Roger Burnham has submitted his final plat for review by the Zoning Commission. It is being reviewed to determine if it's ready to go to P&Z.

Public Works-Public Works Supervisor Miller was not in attendance. Official Perry reported that Public Works Supervisor Miller stated that before the big rainstorm he had Tyson in the park checking those pumps as regular maintenance and they were working. Maybe during that rainstorm one of the pumps didn’t come on. There are two pumps down there. He also stated that after that rainstorm he had Innovative Electric down in there and they upgraded some fuses, contacts and electrical.

Police-Police Chief Frazier reported business has been steady. We did have a meeting where he met with all the regional heads for region two state police headquarters, where we all came into a memorandum of understanding for critical incidences where we can rely on each other's resources. After the incident in Moscow, that amount of resources are needed. If there is a big critical incident or something there will be the resources that are needed here within region to be able to move on and the same token by saying that if they call for critical incidences, that he would send a couple people to assist as well. That is how this regions been pretty good about working. They have been working several cases and will start off with and give kudos to Lahni for some of the work she's been doing. That child forensic interview course that she had gone to has been being utilized a great deal within our region because without her the closest place to have that done is Coeur d’Alene or Spokane. The word has gotten out that she is here. She got done with a forensic interview where he helped making an arrest out of it. They actually gave us a POS system. Again another tool we have down here, this being used bring a new bid process, something to think about what it's going to cost. They have upgraded the camera systems in the park. I'll tell you it's expensive. Maybe there's another way to do it. They have learned against those cameras that are down there are slowly aged. They're still being utilized. Another example they were using them this week where a guy got broke into a car the city park. They were able to identify him and the motorcycle. Subsequently the people blew a tire on highway 12. Idaho County was able to recover stolen property along with some drug stuff. He is sitting in Idaho County on our felony burglary charge, drug charge; so the cameras are being utilized. Summertime our parks being used quite a bit. It is just one of those important things we have helps with the transient people and everything
else. The public surplus has been moving forward. Chief Jones has his fire truck on there. He has some things he will be presenting at the next meeting for a resolution for some surplus as well. Some radios, electric forklift and charging station to get it out of the spa.

Water/Wastewater-Water/Wastewater Supervisor Martin reported he UV disinfection system is now online. They are going to run a test phase for a few days and see how it does. They will switch back to the chlorine. They are going to use up the chlorine so they can send back all the bottles because they are $300 deposit for bottle. It seems to be going well, they have to do some electrical work. Probably his own and partly the manufacturers fault. They had a big tag where you hook up the power; it said 23 amps so they size the breakers for 30 amps. Come to find out it was 23 amps per cassette and they have two cassettes. They are running half, but it's designed to run half in the summer and both cassettes during the winter. A while back he wanted to join a lawsuit against Forever Chemicals which are P FOSS. That would be like your Teflon, your camp dries, your fired foam that they use to make. There has been a partial settlement at $1.185 billion from the companies DuPont, Corteva and Chemours. They are still going after other companies like 3M and a few others. Some of them have filed bankruptcy recently because of the lawsuit, but this will allow the City in the future if equipment has to be purchased to treat anything in the river. It will be free to the City because this lawsuit. He would like give a shout out to Justin, their operator; he assembled a new toddler playground, mock it up down at the spa so they can carry it down to the park. So congratulations to him for putting that together when he had some free time. Councilmember Swayne inquired when switched over to the purification system, what kind of fall back is there to restore? Will there still be chlorine? Supervisor Martin stated they will still have chlorine on hand, but instead of using the distributor out of Salt Lake City, they will use one from Lewiston. So if they need something in a pinch, they can get a bottle right away. By switching to the UV they will now save 600,000 gallons of water that they were using for the injector. They are projecting a $80,000 a year savings. They will see where the electrical come in, because they were targeting 30 amps, but it is it 60 amps.

Fire - Chief Jones reported last month, they had a significant amount of wildland fires to start out here. Right now, currently they have one fire on the books and seven rescue calls. The grass is high and dry; it doesn't take long for the south facing aspects to dry out. The wildland trainings have been well attended. He had a lot of guys do their PAC test. They did their wildland refresher. Equipment is running good; they really haven't had any serious issues or breakdown.

RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to accept Resolution 23-522; ITD Cooperative Agreement -- ADA Curb Ramps. Councilmember Donner seconded the motion and passed with a roll call vote resulting in all ayes.
PUBLIC COMMENT

Sal Lauria shared with the council some additional photos of more flooding near his home with the sudden down pour from a recent rainstorm. Public Works Supervisor Miller did meet up with Sal to discuss some of the issues.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Mayor Simmons wanted to remind the council and staff that the Employee Appreciation Golf Day and BBQ will be happening on Friday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:44 p.m., Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to move into executive session after a five-minute break pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 subsection 1 (a) to consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need. This paragraph does not apply to filling a vacancy in an elective office or deliberations about staffing needs in general. Councilmember Donner seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

At 8:37 p.m., Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to return to regular session. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:37 p.m., Councilmember Dunaway made a MOTION to adjourn. Councilmember Tilley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Donna M Wilson, City Clerk Treasurer

Sean Simmons, Mayor

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