

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

OCTOBER 9, 2017
203 Broadway Ave N

PRESENT:

Tom McCauley	Mayor	Elizabeth Barker	Treasurer
Michael Higbee	Council President	Karen Drown	Clerk
Pam McClain	Council Member	Regie Finney	Public Works Director
Kyle Hauser	Council Member	Scott Bybee	City Engineer
Sue Gabardi	Council Member	Connie Stopher	SIEDO Director
Andrew Wright	City Attorney		

REGULAR SESSION called to order at 7:00 PM.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Karen Drown confirmed a quorum.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ... Minutes of September 25, 2017: Michael Higbee moved to approve the minutes; Kyle Hauser seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Monthly Claims for Payment: Pam McClain moved to approve the monthly claims for payment; Sue Gabardi seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Monthly Reports: Pam McClain moved to approve the monthly department head reports; Michael Higbee seconded the motion. Karen explained there were a number of department reports missing this month. She added that she would get with department heads and have those missing included in the working session to keep Council updated. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Clerk/Treasurer Report: Kyle Hauser moved to approve the clerk/treasurer report; Sue Gabardi seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Monthly Report: Scott updated Council on a number of projects. He informed Council that a number of the Planning and Zoning board members and Andrew Wright had attended training by Jerry Mason. He stated one item that came out of the training was that the city no longer had to go through the public hearing process for subdivisions.

Scott updated them on the URA sewer project which is scheduled to begin on October 18

The Planning and Zoning board would be reviewing the new TKO subdivision on Fair Street. They would be doing the preliminary and final plat hearing at the same time which

saves 30 to 60 days in the process. With this additional traffic on Fair Street Scott and Regie are looking at the options for the intersection with Highway 30. The plan Regie is looking at is removing parking along Fair Street in the first block which would give him enough room to have three lanes total with two being turn lanes to go left and right onto Highway 30. The other option to be looking at is connecting Williams Street and dropping traffic out on Highway 30 by Subway. Michael asked if the shorter process for the hearings changed anything. Scott stated that everyone that needed to be notified would be contacted.

Scott also stated he had been working with Regie on plans for a project for a grant through LTAC. It must be a shovel ready project. This project would complete sidewalks down 7th Ave North to Sawtooth and continue up to Highway 46. Some areas would have sidewalk and gutter and others would have a rolled curb to still allow parking by the softball fields.

NEW BUSINESS:

Update on SIEDO – Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization: Connie informed Council that in September the new Marketing Specialist started which has been made a full time position. She updated Council on the FAM Tour that brought sight locators to the area and got them familiar with the options that Southern Idaho has to offer. They received a thank you note from one attendee and an article in a magazine from another.

Connie added that SIEDO is trying to break out of a one size fits all approach and work with all areas of the Magic Valley to promote their area the way they would like. She stated they had helped with a few projects for potential companies coming to the area. Michael asked if SIEDO was involved in the expansion of Jayco. Connie stated most of that was done by City of Twin Falls, but SIEDO will be helping with a hiring event and marketing.

Review and Consideration of Utility Rate Resolution: Michael moved to adopt Resolution No. 393, the new rates that will be for November services due in December. Kyle seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

COUNCIL CONCERNS – Kyle had a concern about the speed on Main Street and the traffic by the football field when kids are present. Regie said he would talk with Eric and try and saturate that area with police presence during the peak hours. Scott said he would also look at options to make it safer

Pam asked about a broken green box with no lid along Main Street. Regie stated he would take a look and see what it was; he commented it could possibly be a sprinkler box that belongs to the homeowner.

It was noted that Monday, October 26, 2017, was the next quarterly Joint Fire meeting. Karen asked if there was anything needed for the agenda to please let her know.

CITIZENS CONCERNS – There was none.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Kyle Hauser moved that the meeting be adjourned; Michael Higbee seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Minutes prepared by Karen Drown, City Clerk