

CITY COUNCIL WORKING SESSION

NOVEMBER 8, 2021

203 Broadway Ave N

PRESENT:

Tom McCauley	Mayor	Autumn Jones	Treasurer
Michael Higbee	Council President	Regie Finney	Public Works
Pam McClain	Council Member	Jeremy Engbaum	Police Chief
Sue Gabardi	Council Member	Andrew Stevens	Fire Chief
Kelly Peterson by phone	Council Member	Concerned Citizens	
Andrew Wright	City Attorney		
Karen Drown	Clerk		

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Karen Drown confirmed a quorum.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor McCauley asked the applicant to make a statement. Emily and John Mason presented information regarding the 3 acres that currently has the cidery and tasting room. They would like to be able to hire one or two employees and have a bigger sign for truck drivers find them easier. They noted they would still live on the property and look a building a shop further back on the property to allow for storage of supplies.

Mayor McCauley asked if there were any questions from Council. Michael questioned if there an adequate amount of parking. Emily stated they had presented a plan to the Idaho Transportation Department which had been approved to make the accesses into the property bigger. She added there is additional parking in the back so all parking would be off the highway. She is currently making the entrances out of gravel and in the spring, they would do asphalt approaches.

Scott noted this had been presented to planning and zoning and recommended for approval. Their only concern was the Idaho Transportation Department application and approval.

He asked if there was any testimony in support of the application. There was none.

He asked if there was any testimony in opposition of the application. There was none.

Hearing was closed at 7:07 PM.

REGULAR SESSION called to order at 7:07 PM.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Karen Drown confirmed a quorum.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes of October 25, 2021 – Working Meeting
2. Monthly Claims for Payment
3. Monthly Department Head Reports
4. Commission Minutes
5. Clerk Report
6. Treasurer Report

Michael Higbee moved to approve the consent agenda. Pam McClain seconded the motion. Sue noted under the 2021-2022 Budget discussion there was no second listed on the motion for the \$7500.00 for HVAC savings. Michael amended his motion to add the 2nd to that motion. Pam seconded the amendment. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

ENGINEER REPORT:

Scott noted the ICDBG project is complete. Regie and his crew have done a great job. He did note they found a lot of rock. The final payment would be in December.

Building permits are still coming in and Jazmine is staying busy processing them through.

Planning and Zoning and URA will be meeting on November 10th at 10:30 and 11:00. This is a week early.

NEW BUSINESS:

Review and Consideration of Public Testimony for the Mason Rezone Application: Pam moved to allow the rezone from R-1 to B-3 for the Mason property at 20305 Highway 30. Michael seconded the motion. Scott noted the change also has a conditional use permit that allows the Mason's to live on the property in the B-3 zone. There was a discussion about the B-3 zone is more of a neighborhood business district and the home can be expanded if desired. There was a further discussion about if this change is made it would be in place for any future owners as well which included hours of operation. Scott noted a new business would not be restricted on hours but would have to follow code on all areas including nuisances. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Review and Consideration of Surplus Police Department Items: Michael moved to surplus the rifles for trade in. Sue seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

Review and Consideration of Use of budgeted ARPA funds: Regie presented information about the infrastructure bill that had just passed in Washington and the concern over the supply of availability. He noted a he would go to bid to buy the supplies needed for the next project. Then when the project was bid it would be only for installation and labor. Michael moved to approve to get bids for infrastructure supplies. Pam seconded the motion. Regie added he would be asking for a long delivery window in the bid. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

COUNCIL CONCERNS – Pam had a concern about the fire hydrant on the corner of Main and Broadway that had been out of service for several months the available coverage for fire protection in that area. Regie explained that since Burley had been closed and the detour brought trucks down Main and turn onto Broadway the hydrant had been hit seven times. There was further discussion on when trucks would stop going down Main. Regie noted Burley is open and they should not be using Main Street anymore. Regie and Jeremy would start education the drivers.

There was a concern about the widening of Highway 30 at Fair Street. Regie stated there was a lady at ITD that retired and now they are very behind. They have hired her back and are working on catching up. He is hoping to bid it with the TAP grant in February.

CITIZENS CONCERNS –

MEETING ADJOURNED – Pam McClain moved that the meeting be adjourned; Sue Gabardi seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Minutes prepared by Karen Drown, City Clerk