

CITY COUNCIL WORKING SESSION

March 27, 2017  
203 Broadway Ave N

PRESENT:

Tom McCauley	Mayor	Karen Drown	Clerk
Michael Higbee	Council President	Regie Finney	Public Works Director
Pam McClain	Council Member	Kathy Uker	Region IV Development
Kyle Hauser	Council Member	Brenda Hastreiter	Region IV Development
Sue Gabardi	Council Member	Concerned Citizens	
Bill Nungester	City Attorney		

WORKING SESSION called to order at 6:00 PM.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Karen Drown confirmed a quorum.

Mayor McCauley introduced Buhl, Idaho's newest citizen Holton Drown, son of City Clerk Karen Drown and water operator Chuck Drown.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ... Minutes of March 13, 2015: Pam McClain moved to approve the minutes; Sue Gabardi seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Bi-Monthly Claims for Payment: Michael Higbee moved to approve the monthly claims for payment; Kyle Hauser seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Clerk/Treasurer Report: Michael Higbee moved to approve the clerk/treasurer report; Pam McClain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Compliance Items for ICDBG Sewer Grant: Kathy Uker presented to Council members the policy for Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Disability, the Grievance Procedure, the Limited English Proficiency Plan, a letter to the Idaho Department of Commerce regarding the 504 Transition Plan Update and the Fair Housing Month Proclamation. All Council members had reviewed the documents from their council packets. Michael moved to approve the compliance items for the ICDBG Sewer Grant. Kyle seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

Michael moved to approve April 2017 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Buhl. Kyle seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

Approval of P&Z Findings of Fact: Kyle moved to approve the Planning and Zoning Findings of Fact in regards to Southern Idaho Care Ltd. and their proposed development and facility located at the Pine Ridge Subdivision. Pam seconded the motion. There was a discussion of the process that has taken place before the Planning and Zoning Commission. There was also discussion about the concerns of the neighborhood and the steps the developer has gone through to answer and consider their concerns. The main fact that was pointed out was the street would be a private street with an emergency vehicle access gate to the adjoining street. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Appointment of Buhl Housing Authority Board Member: Pam moved to approve Lynn Popplewell to the Buhl Housing Authority Board. Kyle seconded the motion. Bill stated that Lynn lived at the golf course which is in Gooding County. He questioned if the board member needed to live in Buhl or the impact zone to be qualified. Kyle moved to table until the next meeting so the answer could be researched. Pam seconded the motion to table. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

Attendance at City County Meeting: It was discussed and the date for the next City/County Meeting did not work with anyone's schedule to attend.

Consideration of Request from Lions Club International: Pam moved to approve 2017 as the Year of the Lions. Kyle seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

COUNCIL CONCERNS – Michael pointed out the alley next to the school was used for parking during kids games in the spring. He asked if attention could be put to that area for repairs from the winter weather. Regie stated they would be starting repairs on the alley that week and gravel would be needed on most throughout town.

Michael added that he was impressed with the City of Buhl and the road conditions compared to other cities.

Mayor McCauley stated there had been discussion with Bill Nungester about retiring. He stated at the next Council meeting he would be appointing the firm of Wright Brothers to be the new city attorney. He explained they are local boys that grew up in Buhl.

Regie announced that the City of Buhl was in second place for the grant for Burley Ave. It was added that if the funding was there to award it would be 5 to 7 years before it would be

funded. There was further discussion about funding for roads and the removal of sales tax on groceries.

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 6:45 PM.

Minutes prepared by Karen Drown, City Clerk