

CITY COUNCIL WORKING MEETING

AUGUST 26, 2024
203 Broadway Ave N

PRESENT:

Pamela McClain	Mayor	Autumn Jones	Treasurer
Michael Higbee	Council President	Jason Scott	Public Works Director
Kelly Peterson	Council Member	Jazmine Mills	P & Z Admin
Marla Sisson	Council Member	Concerned Citizens	
Karen Drown	Clerk		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Karen Drown confirmed a quorum.

PUBLIC HEARING

Autumn presented this was the budget that had been discussed the last several months. It is a total of \$10,037,014.

There was no testimony in favor or testimony against the application.

Sheri Wills, Buhl, ID, signed in for neutral testimony. She stated she wants to meet with the Mayor McClain stated this public hearing was for the budget, but invited Ms. Wills to the September 9, 2024 Council meeting where there is a section for citizen comments where she could speak to the entire Council.

The hearing was closed at 6:35 PM.

Michael noted there was no one here to testify on the budget.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes of August 12, 2024 – Regular Session
2. Claims for Payment
3. Clerk Report
4. Treasurer Report

Marla moved to approve the consent agenda. Michael seconded the motion. There was no discussion. There was a roll call vote. Marla voted yes, Michael voted yes, and Kelly voted yes. The motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Review and Consideration of Public Testimony of the FY 2024-2025 Budget: Kelly confirmed this was the fourth year no one has testified against the budget. Karen confirmed that to be correct. He stated that if citizens don't speak then we have to assume we are doing an acceptable job. Michael stated he has never had a single person in 14 years approach him regarding the budget. Kelly moved to adopt the budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as printed. Marla seconded the motion. Kelly thanked Autumn and Kare for all their hard work. Marla noted to have the auditor say Autumn and staff are doing a good job, that is a good meeting to attend. There was no further discussion. There was a roll call voted. Michael voted yes, Kelly voted yes, and Marla voted yes. The motion passed.

Review and Consideration of Contract with Western Construction, Inc. for the Buhl Airport Runway Reconstruction Project: Kelly moved to approve the contract with Western Construction. Michael seconded the motion. Karen noted Andrew Wright's only concern was having a clause about contingency if the funding didn't come in. Karen noted she logged into the federal system that day and funds are there and waiting for reimbursement requests to be submitted. There was no discussion. There was a roll call vote. Kelly voted yes, Marla voted yes, and Michael voted yes. The motion passed.

Review and Consideration of Agreement for Professional Services with J-U-B Engineers, Inc. for Construction Engineering for the Buhl Airport Runway Reconstruction Project: Kelly moved to approve the Agreement for Professional Services with J-U-B Engineers. Marla seconded the motion. There was no discussion. There was a roll call vote. Marla voted yes, Michael voted yes, and Kelly voted yes. The motion passed.

Review and Consideration of Fall Prevention Awareness Month, September 2024: Michael moved the proclaim September 2024 as Falls Prevention Month. Marla seconded the motion. Mayor McClain read the proclamation. There was no discussion. There was a roll call vote. Michael voted yes, Kelly voted yes, and Marla voted yes. The motion passed.

MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor McClain read a statement.

We need to make sure that we comply with the law with regards to employee privacy issues. If a member of City Council would like to discuss any issues pertaining to complaints, discipline, etc. of a city employee, those will first need to be discussed with the mayor, who is the chief city administrator per Idaho Code 50-602. After review of the complaint, discipline, etc. if it needs to

go before City Council it will be listed under an executive session on the upcoming meeting agenda.

Michael asked Jason if the local highway meeting that he attends if they will deal with the MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization). Jason said that currently is no discussed.

Mayor McClain stated the September 23rd Council Meeting will be a Town Hall meeting at Popplewell Elementary Cafeteria. The district representatives and county commissioners have been invited. Marla suggested maybe having a survey paper for the citizens for the comp plan project.

Kelly noted the parking concern on Clear Lakes Road that was brought up. Mayor McClain referred to notes from Andrew Wright at looking at changing the code; but also noted the possibility of opening the flood gates. Kelly questioned the marking of vehicles and trying to enforce the existing code. Marla stated her biggest concern is a safety hazard. Karen recommended having it on a future agenda for a formal discussion.

Karen questioned those Council members that could attend the upcoming City/County meeting. Michael and Kelly said they could not attend, Marla said yes, she could attend.

Marla asked Jason about the TRIBE movie night. Jason said he got no feedback from staff so that is a good thing.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Kelly moved that the meeting be adjourned; Marla seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All vote aye. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Karen Drown, City Clerk