

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- AUGUST 21, 2017

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Heitman, Karst, Schoenfelder, Sorensen, Ozark, and Council Member Carr via phone. Those also present were City Clerk-Treasurer Amundson, DPW Kompel, Police Chief Barstad, and Sergeant Edwards. Betty Stone and Michelle Tade from Two Rivers Growth and John Bach and Troy Kelsey from Interstate Engineering were also in attendance. There was no media representation.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any agenda item: NONE

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion approving the consent agenda including, the payment of claims for August 21, 2017 in the amount of \$143,591.02 and the minutes of the August 7, 2017, Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen, and carried unanimously.

Betty Stone gave some background information on the Montana Main Street Program and how Two Rivers is an Affiliated Community. The city Growth Plan, Downtown Plan, and the Branding Plan have all been funded with Montana Main Street Funding. The next grant that will be applied for will be to assemble a wayfinding plan. Total funding with all grants has been \$57,000.00, with matching funds of \$15,000.00 from Two Rivers, \$3,500.00 from TBID, \$2,500.00 from Missouri River Country, and \$1,000.00 from the Chamber. The next step is for marketing of Glasgow; the money for this will not come from a grant. Two Rivers has asked for \$18,000.00 from Montana Main Street for signage and Two Rivers, the Chamber, and TBID will provide the matching funds for this grant. After the wayfinding plan is complete; a tourism grant will be applied for to help pay for the signage. Michelle Tade explained the Branding Plan and how the committee decided on the logo. She is hoping all entities involved will embrace the logo and use it throughout advertising, websites, and letterhead. This logo will also be used with the wayfinding signs.

Council Member Karst made a motion approving the Extension Letter #22 between Marco and the City of Glasgow. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen, and carried unanimously.

Council member Schoenfelder made a motion reappointing Nixie French to the Glasgow Housing Authority Board for a five (5) year term effective August 22, 2017. The motion was seconded by Council member Sorensen, and carried unanimously.

Council member Sorensen made a motion approving the Amended Plat of Lots 12 and 13, Block 26, Original Townsite of Glasgow for Sandpoint Properties, LLC. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr, and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson noted the Council Meetings in September will be on Tuesday the 5th due to the Labor Day Holiday and Monday the 18th.

Old Business:

-Levee Safety Committee Report – Mayor Erickson mentioned the committee had met with Larry Mires to discuss what type of funding that may be available to fund an employee position to assist with updating the Operating and Maintenance Manual for the Levee, a legislative representative, work on legal issues that need to be addressed, and stay in contact with the Corps of Engineers on complying with the SWIF plan.

- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – None at this time.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for Water, Grant, or Ordinance. Council member Karst wanted to know about the lilac bushes that had been trimmed back at the Cemetery. DPW Kompel said they will grow back; they were overgrown and covering headstones. The council will have a work session after the council meeting to address personnel issues and negotiations for the union.

Department Head Reports:

Mayor Erickson mentioned the city has received thank you cards from Great Northern Development Corporation for the dues the city paid and a thank you from City Court and Adult Treatment Court for the employee appreciation luncheon.

City Clerk Amundson stated after she receives an amount for raises, those can be input into the budgets and meetings can be set. She also asked the council if a silent auction basket could be done for League in the amount of up to \$100.00, they agreed to this.

DPW Kompel told the council most of the summer help is gone, there has been small tree and brush removal completed on the levee, crack sealing is done, and painting of the crosswalks will be done before school starts. He has received two (2) applications for the Street Foreman Position and would like to set up interviews. The council agreed to Monday August 28th at 5:30 p.m. The hospital has been working on renovations, Mike Brown will finish the flashing on the Civic Center within the next few months, and he is gathering information for the ISO inspection that is coming up in October.

There was discussion on the trimming of the downtown trees and about replacing some of them with another type of tree that would do better with the consistent sun on them.

Police Chief Barstad said the paint run went well, the collaboration between dispatch, the Police Department, and Fire Department was excellent during the fire that happened over the weekend, and his new hires are working out great.

Public Comment: NONE

Council member Ozark made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Schoenfelder the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey Amundson
City Clerk-Treasurer

Becky Erickson
Mayor