

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ----- OCTOBER 18, 2021

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Erickson. The following Council members were present: Ozark, Nistler, Karst, and Carr. Council members Koski and Heitman were absent. Chief Weber was in attendance. City Clerk Amundson and City Attorney Sullivan attended via Google Meets. Those also present were Todd Young and Renee Jones. The media was represented by Chris McDaniel from the Glasgow Courier.

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on any Agenda Item: NONE

Mayor Erickson stated she would like to defer Agenda Item #14 – Appoint Todd Young to the police commission to fill Pete Pederson’s term until October 18, 2022 until after the election. Council member Carr made a motion approving the consent agenda with the deferral of Agenda Item #14, the payment of claims for October 18, 2021 in the amount of \$117,983.92, the Valley Court Apartment claims in the amount of \$421.53, and the minutes of the October 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion approving the financials for July and August 2021. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark, and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion approving the recommendation from the Wage Comp Committee to leave Captain Edwards at the \$30.29 wage and increase Chief Weber’s wage to \$31.29 with a one (1) year probationary period effective September 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made a motion approving the recommendation from the Personnel Committee to keep the current City Court Clerk until December 31, 2021 and leave the City Judge’s wage at \$21.11 until she passes her certification in December 2021. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark, and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made a motion approving the recommendation from the Personnel Committee to offer a moving stipend to the potential water operator in the amount of \$3,000.00 with a clause that if the employee leaves employment within a year, half (1/2) of the moving stipend would have to be paid back. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Nistler made a motion to hire Jonathan Brewer for the open water operator position. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark, and carried unanimously.

Council member Carr made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Water Committee to approve the revised scope of service for the sewer separation project and the engineering fees for the project of \$93,600.00. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Water Committee to proceed forward with the funding package from USDA Rural Development for the 1987 Transmission Main Project. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark, and carried unanimously.

Council member Nistler made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Water Committee to have an Environmental and Cultural Assessment completed to finish the USDA Rural Development application for the 1987 Transmission Main Project. The motion was seconded by Council member Ozark, and carried unanimously.

Council member Karst made a motion to hire Renee Jones for the Administrative Assistant position at the Glasgow Police Department. The motion was seconded by Council member Nistler, and carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

- Levee Safety Committee Report – No Update
- Update on GNDC noncompetitive grant – No Updated Report.

Mayor Erickson updated the council on the underpass mural project.

Committee Reports: There were no reports for Personnel, Water, Grant, or Cemetery. Council member Karst updated the council on the Ordinance Committee Meeting that was held on the 12th of October on the recreational marijuana. City Attorney Sullivan has been looking at the draft of the City of Bozeman’s ordinance and as soon as the state has final laws in place, the ordinance committee will then draft an ordinance.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Weber told the council that the speed feed sign that was put up in the Highland area has been hit and destroyed after he moved it from Bonnie Street to Scottie Pride Drive. He was able to pull information off of it and there were approximately 498 vehicles that went past the sign and speeds ranged from 9 mph up to 21 mph in a 25 mph zone. The price for the sign is between \$2,000.00 and \$4,000.00 and a claim will be sent into the insurance company to see

if we can get it replaced. Most of the remodeling at the Armory has been completed and he will be requesting quotes from other contractors for additional construction that needs to be done. The open house he was hoping to have this month, will now be held sometime in the spring. Renee will be starting on the 25th of October and approval to hire the new officer will be on the November 1 agenda.

City Clerk Amundson mentioned she attended the virtual League Conference a couple of week ago and a Housing Board Meeting is set for Thursday to review the next eligible projects. The current project is about 98% complete and the contractor is waiting on an electrician to figure out why one of the outlets is currently not working.

City Attorney Sullivan stated she has a trial this Thursday, she is working on a MOU for Chief Weber, and assisting with some personnel issues.

Public Comment: None

Council member Nistler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council member Carr the meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

Stacey A. Amundson

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City Clerk-Treasurer

Rebecca Erickson
Mayor