

JEFF KELLEY
CITY CLERK
MINUTES

AUGUST 27, 2013

PRESENT: Mayor Eric Christensen
Council Members: Earl Beattie, Kurt Russell, Stacy Pascoe, Jeff Kelley
Police Chief: Rod Mohler
Public Wks Dir: Chuck Lloyd
Recreation Dir.: Dawn Lloyd
City Clerk/Treasurer: Sandy Gaydusek
City Attorney: Doug Bowen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dawn Lloyd

PRAYER: Jeff Kelley

Stacy moved, Earl seconded to approve the following consent agenda:

Minutes of August 13, 2013 Council Meeting

Approval of July 2013 Expenditures

Approval of July 2013 Overall Budget & Treasurer's Rpt.

Approval of the following Building Permits:

Kim Crofts	- fence
Bingham County Library	- fence
Shelley Eyecare	- new sign

Roll Call Vote: Earl – aye, Kurt – aye, Stacy – aye, and Jeff – aye. Approved unanimously.

Tom Sumner, 1382 N. 800 E. has requested annexation with a zoning designation of Residential Agricultural. Mr. Sumner said he owns two adjacent parcels of property, both with homes on that he would like annexed into the city limits. He said one home now accesses city water and the other has its own well. Sandy said the Planning and Zoning Commission held the required public hearing, and all publications and notifications have been completed. She said the P&Z Commission recommended approval of the rezone to RA conditional upon the annexation of both parcels of property. Earl moved, Kurt seconded to approve the annexation of both parcels of Mr. Sumner's property with a zoning designation of Residential Agricultural based upon the recommendation of the P&Z Commission. Approved unanimously.

Earl discussed using the city utility billing postcards to conduct a survey to see if the residents would like a code/animal enforcement officer, and to see if the public is in favor of having chickens in the city limits. The Mayor and Council were all in agreement that the city must have a code/animal enforcement officer before chickens are allowed in the city. Earl suggested that two different questions be placed on the billings. Stacy said he has talked to quite a few residents to get their opinion, and not many want to pay more property taxes to fund an officer. He said some are against, and some are for chickens. Stacy said a lot of people moved into the city to get away from this type of activity. Jeff said chickens cannot be out running around. He said he is in favor of chickens, however he does have a problem with those who do not take care of the animals. Jeff said the city needs to come up with the funding to get a code enforcement officer that would take care of animals, dogs, weeds, parking, etc. Amy Goc said the police put in a request for a new vehicle and additional training for the new budget. She said hopefully the new vehicle could be a pickup that cages could be carried in. She said this is all that should be

needed for animal control officer. Jeff said Rod has a realm for his budget; the requests for the new budget are to continue operating as they currently operate. Mrs. Goc suggested several items that should be listed in the ordinance if chickens are allowed. The Council agreed that if chickens are allowed the ordinance would have specifications regarding the size of the lot, a coop, number of chickens, etc. The Council agreed to place a question on the September billing card that would ask if residents would be willing to pay more property taxes to fund a code/animal enforcement officer. Then the November billing would ask if the residents would like chickens allowed within the city limits. The Council agreed this survey would be taken by each household that receives a water bill from the city. Earl moved, Stacy seconded to place a survey on the September billing asking if residents were willing to pay more property taxes for an animal/code enforcement officer. Approved unanimously.

The council discussed the city ordinance that allows private driveways and easements. Jeff recommended restricting a private driveway to service only one home. Currently there are private driveways that service up to four homes; these homes become stacked on the premises effecting property values. Jeff said there are a few areas in the city that could be split to have private drives, however this should eliminate any problems before something comes along that could be a fire or safety issue. He said the City of Idaho Falls does not allow private driveways or easements. Jeff moved, Earl seconded to amend the city ordinance and send this issue to P&Z to hold the required public hearing. Approved unanimously.

Stacy said everything has been worked out regarding the easements that are needed for the water loop that is needed near the New Sweden Highway. Jeff said he will talk to BJ regarding the agreements that will be needed between the city and the property owners. He said once the agreements are signed, the engineers can be contacted so the plans can be drawn up.

BJ sent the Mayor and Council an email regarding a meeting at Ball Ventures regarding the water mitigation agreement. The meeting is August 29, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Jeff and Stacy will be attending this meeting.

Dawn said the pool will be closed for the season on Friday or Saturday. She said the freezer for the ice for the sno-shack will be gone on Wednesday. Dawn said the gas bill has decreased to \$790. She felt this is due to the new pool cover which is keeping the pool at temperature.

Dawn said the Mayor's Youth Group met for their first meeting. She said there were 17 kids attending. She said Madison Kohler is the President this year, and she expects there to be 25 to 30 kids participating.

Chuck said the building is going up to cover Well #5.

Kurt thanked Justin for the work he did after the terrible storm we had last Saturday. The French drains were over flowing backing up water, etc.

Sandy said she contacted Dave Bunnell at Basic American Foods regarding the terrible odor in the South Park vicinity. She said Mr. Bunnell said they were having problems with the secondary waste disposal; they have dried the system out and are taking actions to prevent this from happening in the future.

Adjourned: 8:35 p.m.

ATTEST: Sandy Gajdosik APPROVE: Em R. Chilton