

CITY OF SHELLEY
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

MARCH 09, 2004

PRESENT: Mayor Eric Christensen
Council Members: Lorin Croft, Chad Landon (absent), Steve Cederberg, John Lent
Police Chief: Alan Dial
Public Wks Dir.: Rick Anderson
Recreation Dir.: Dawn Lloyd
City Clerk: Sandy Gaydusek
City Attorney: Scott Hansen (absent)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Peyton Whittaker

PRAYER: Pastor Michael Eld

Lorin moved, Steve seconded to approve the following consent agenda:

Approval of the February 24, 2004 Council Meeting Minutes
Approval of March 02, 2004 Work Meeting Minutes
Approval of February 2004 Expenditures
Approval of February 2004 Overall Budget & Treasurer's Rpt.
Approval of the Following Building Permits:
Vern Carlson - new home
Jed Lewis - new sign
Michael Balmforth - new home
Adam Batchelor - new home

Approved three in favor, one absent.

Mayor Christensen greeted the Girls Scout's and their leaders. He said this week marks the 92nd anniversary for the Girl Scout Organization. Mayor Christensen read a proclamation stating March 7th through March 13th would be proclaimed as Girl Scout's week. He congratulated the Girl Scouts and presented them with the proclamation. The Girl Scout presented the Mayor with several varieties of Girl Scout Cookies.

Paul Scoresby and Kurt Roland attended the council meeting representing Schiess Engineering. Mr. Scoresby discussed the services that his company could offer our municipality. He said they have a lot of capabilities to be able to assist the city such as surveying, GPS mapping, streets, etc. Mr. Roland explained how GPS mapping can help the city. Mr. Scoresby said his company gives to the community, and would also like the opportunity to serve the city. The Mayor and Council thanked Mr. Scoresby and Mr. Roland for their presentation. Rick said he is currently working with our city engineers on GPS mapping. He said sections of the city are being mapped one at a time due to the expense.

Brent Christensen addressed the council to discuss his proposed North Commercial Business Park. Mr. Christensen said at the work meeting that was held March 2, 2004, he was asked to present more specific details for each business that may be involved in the widening of the connector road. Sandy said Mr. Christensen emailed the details to her, which she forwarded to

the Mayor and each council member. The Mayor and Council discussed this further and felt it may not be feasible to widen the connector road. Lorin suggested that a parking lane be added to each side of the road instead of widening it to a five lane road. Mr. Christensen felt this idea is more palatable. He said it would not take much to have the cost estimates changed. The Mayor and council members felt this should be discussed further when Chad could be present, and the new estimates are available. This matter was tabled until the next council meeting. Sandy was asked to invite Kirk Jolley and Tom King to the next meeting.

Sandy presented an amendment to the utility billing ordinance which would require all landlords to be responsible for the city utility billing on their rentals. She said Scott drafted the ordinance and requested it be presented to the Mayor and Council for their review and consideration at the next council meeting.

The Mayor and Council discussed amending the ordinance to require all developers to extend any city water or sewer line to the end of their property line so the next developer would have proper access. Sandy said the only problem may be if the property owner is on a corner lot. Would the developer be required to run the water and sewer lines along both sides of the property. The Mayor and Council will consider this for further discussion at the next meeting.

Sandy said there was a tragedy that occurred on Locust Street when there was an explosion in the basement. She said according to the police department the renter of a basement apartment was making a type of firework. Sandy said this home is not zoned correctly for an apartment, and the property owners were notified a few years ago that if there is a grandfather clause, the renters would need to pay for separate utility bills. She said the owners of the property came into city hall and stated there were no renters, and there had not been any renters for over a year. Sandy said they were informed that there was no grandfather clause existing for this use then. She said the property owners did state that they were helping out some friends by allowing them to stay in their basement, but they were not renting out the apartment. Sandy said this occurred in 2001. She asked if the council wanted to take any action regarding this matter since there was an apartment being rented out at the property. Sandy said Scott suggested a citation be issued, and then our prosecuting attorney can handle any negotiations. Lorin said he is concerned that it will be bad publicity for the city if a citation is issued at this time. Sandy said she is concerned that if nothing is done it will send a message to everyone that the city does not follow through on these types of matters. This matter was tabled until the next council meeting.

Sandy said she received letters of reference from two of the people that submitted bids for the city's janitorial service. She asked permission to use each person for one month on a trial basis before any permanent decision is made. The council granted permission.

Sandy reminded the Mayor and council about the Planning and Zoning workshop being held in Pocatello on March 27, 2004. John said he would like to attend.

Dawn said girl's softball will be starting tomorrow. She said she has obtained some estimates for the pumice and topsoil that will be used in the baseball fields.

Alan said Miranda Hunsaker's dog left her yard and followed some children home. He said the dog entered the children's house and killed their cat. Alan said the dog was impounded and was scheduled to go to the county to be destroyed. He said a court order was received and a judge mandated that the animal be given back to its owner. Alan said he spoke to Scott about this matter and he said since the judge ordered the animal be given back to the owner, it would reduce the city's liability if the animal hurt someone or something else.

Alan said the explosion that occurred at the property on West Locust caused a lot of damage to the home. He said the person that was killed was making a type of firework by using flash powder, not gun powder. Alan said flash powder is much more explosive than gun powder.

John said the Centennial Celebration plans are going great. He thanked the department heads for all their help.

Steve said Neil and he have set up a meeting with Kent Carlson to discuss available property that may be used for a city park. Steve said there is approximately 25 to 29 acres available next to the High School. He said Dawn obtained some information about the Idaho Falls Community Park that included some of the expenses such as the lighting that was installed (\$375,000).

Dawn said she spoke to Superintendent Abrams regarding the use of the school parking lot if a new park is developed in the vicinity. She said the school is in the process of building their own baseball field, but Mr. Abrams said they would put the project on hold if the city is planning a new park. Steve said he will be attending some meetings with the State of Idaho Recreation Department in Boise next week where he will be able to look for available grants for these types of projects. Steve thanked Dawn for a job well done.

Lorin said he attended the SICOG meeting in Chubbuck last week.

Lorin said he would like to speak with some various contractors about expanding the city hall office. He said he would like to get some estimates so the city could add to the budget to be able to complete this project in the next few years. Lorin suggested the Mayor's pictures in the council room be changed around.

Lorin said the former Shelley Cabinet Building has been leased out to a company called Mercury Plastics. He said Mercury Plastics will mainly be using the building as a warehouse facility.

Mayor Christensen said representatives for Melaleuca met with Ted Hendricks, Husk Crowler and himself to discuss the first phase of the RWWC project. He asked Sandy to report on this matter. Sandy said Melaleuca has completed a waste water discharge permit to allow our engineers to calculate the discharge that will be sent to the city's sewer lagoon. She said the first phase of the RWWC project will allow Melaleuca and Andrus Trucking to connect to the system.

Sandy said there is a \$500,000 grant available that ECIPDA is applying for, to help fund this \$2,000,000 project. She said the city's portion of this project is \$100,000 which she has been assured is to cover the resident's discharge during the interim of constructing a new facility or to provide the city's long term upgrades to the current lagoon. Sandy said ECIPDA has asked for a letter from the city committing \$100,000 towards this project which will be submitted with the grant application. The Council had no objections to this commitment since upgrades to the sewer lagoon have been budgeted for.

Steve moved, John seconded to adjourn into executive session. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Steve moved, Lorin seconded to reconvene into regular session. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Mayor Christensen said during executive session personnel matters were discussed.

Adjourned 9:08 p.m.

ATTEST: Sandy Dyrud APPROVE: Eric R. Christensen