

CITY OF SHELLEY
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 08, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor Stacy Pascoe

Council Members: Earl Beattie (absent), Kim Westergard, Adam French, and Leif Watson
Police Chief: Rod Mohler
Public Wks Dir.: Justin Johnson
Recreation Dir.: Mikel Anderson
City Clerk/Treasurer: Sandy Gaydusek
City Attorney: BJ Driscoll

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Justin Johnson

PRAYER: Mayor Pascoe

Mayor Pascoe opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Adam moved, Leif seconded to approve the following consent agenda:

Minutes of Council Meeting on August 25, 2020
Minutes of the Special Meeting on August 21, 2020
Minutes of the Work Meeting on August 18, 2020
Approval of the July 2020 Expenditures
Approval of the July 2020 Overall Budget & Treasurer's Rpt.
Building Permits:
Maryann Hernandez - Addition to Garage

A roll call vote was taken: Adam – aye, Kim - aye, and Leif - aye. Approved three in favor, one absent.

The Budget Hearing for fiscal year 2020-2021 was opened. Sandy discussed the budget and presented narratives, graphs, and the tentative fund break downs and totals. She discussed the revenues and expenditures for the new year and the capital outlay items that were proposed to be purchased. She said property taxes are proposed to be increased by 3% this year which is about \$32,000 which will be appropriated to the Street Fund to help with street improvements. BJ handled the public hearing and asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of the budget. Lance Griffiths, 687 E. 1400 N., Shelley said he has a business that handles computer contracts for maintenance and purchasing equipment. He said he would be happy to contact the city office to discuss this further. BJ asked if there was any opposition or neutral comments regarding the proposed budget. There was none. BJ closed the public hearing and turned the time back over to the Mayor and Council. The Mayor discussed the proposed cost of living increase for the employees. He said there was a 2% or 3% proposal on the table. Adam moved, Kim seconded to adopt the fiscal budget for 2020-2021 as presented with a 2% cost of living increase for the employees. Approved three in favor, one absent. Sandy said thank you for the approval for the budget.

Sandy presented Ordinance #605 regarding the appropriation of funds for fiscal year 2020-2021. Kim moved, Leif seconded to suspend the reading of Ordinance

#605 on three separate days and read the title of Ordinance #605 once. A roll call vote was taken: Adam – aye, Kim – aye, and Leif – aye. One absent. Motion approved. Kim read the title of Ordinance #605 in full. Kim moved, Leif seconded to adopt Ordinance #605 regarding the appropriation of the budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021. A roll call vote was taken: Kim – aye, Leif – aye, and Adam – aye. Earl – absent, motion approved. Sandy will send a copy of this ordinance to the Secretary of State as required.

Sandy presented Resolution 20-04 regarding the increase to the city sewer monthly rates. The rates are increasing \$1 per month with \$.61 going to EIRWWA and \$.39 for the city. Leif moved, Kim seconded to adopt Resolution 20-04 regarding the increase to sewer fees effective October 1, 2020. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Sandy presented the tentative budget for the Shelley Urban Renewal Agency for fiscal year 2020-2021. There is a small amount left in this budget for the completion of the sewer study. Adam moved, Kim seconded to adopt the fiscal 2020-2021 budget for the Shelley Urban Renewal Agency. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Sandy presented the budget for the Country Club Urban Renewal Agency for 2020-2021. This budget mainly represents the TIF with Golden Valley Natural. Kim moved, Leif seconded to adopt the Country Club Urban Renewal Agency for fiscal year 2020-2021. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Rueben Estrada was not in attendance.

Richard Fernandez, 536 S. Milton was in attendance to request a streetlight be installed on the street he lives on. He said there are no streetlights on that street, and there has been graffiti and suspicious activity occurring. He said the church was vandalized in the past also. Justin said there is power in the vicinity and he will get with Rocky Mountain Power representative to see what needs to be done and the cost to install a light. Mayor Pascoe said a price will be obtained and we can discuss this at the next meeting. He also suggested that some of the residents could get individual motion lighting which also might help stop the vandalism.

Diane Mickelson addressed the City Council to request a reduction in her city bill since the restaurants are still not opened to 100% capacity. She said the bill is structured by seating and COVID has had them shut down, so they are not fully opened. Mayor Pascoe said they had discussed this previously and determined that there are other businesses that were also shut down such as beauty salons. Most businesses have opened back up, but the restaurants can still not utilize all of their seating. Mrs. Mickelson said it is the State Health Department that mandates how many she can have in her business. If she does not follow the regulations, she can lose her license. Adam moved, Kim seconded that as of August 1, 2020, sit down restaurants will be billed as unoccupied for their sewer rate until we move from Phase 4. Approved three in favor, one absent.

Donald Hayes of the American Legion said there is property owned by the American Legion next to Bleak Park. He said there is a 17-foot ingress/egress easement that was granted by the city that runs on the southernly side of the park. Mr. Hayes said the American Legion has discussed what to do with the

property and they may sell it. Sandy said originally the American Legion was going to build a meeting hall, and that is why the easement was granted. Mayor Pascoe said if they intend to build a meeting hall, we probably could work it out, but to sell the property for a home would make a difference. Mrs. Hayes said they may be able to sell it to the Cedar Apartments and they can access the land from the back. He said another idea is to divide the property up and have garden lots. Mayor Pascoe said there would still be a problem with the access. Mr. Hayes said they talked about the condition of the fencing and the weeds and such. He said if they keep the property, they will be replacing the fence. Mr. Hayes said if they decide to build a meeting hall, could the city negotiate the connection fees. Mayor Pascoe said possibly the water, but not the sewer connection fees. Kim talked about the sale of church and the food bank on Pine and Holmes. She said maybe they could possibly come up with a committee and Mr. Hayes could discuss these options with the post. Possibly construct two buildings: the food bank and a meeting hall. Mr. Hayes said they would need a variance for the access from the city since it is not thirty feet.

Sandy said there have been some changes to the ICRMP policy regarding deductibles. Since there has been a lot of unlawful termination and discrimination suits the deductible is now \$5000 unless you have consulted with an ICRMP agent prior to termination. Also, regarding cyber hacks, etc. the deductible is \$25000.

Sandy said the office is scheduled for training on the new DMV programming that will roll out October 13th for Monday, September 21, 2020 all day. She asked for permission to close DMV for the entire day. She said a super user from Bingham County will be providing the training. The Mayor and Council granted permission.

Mikel said flag football is up and going and the pool is closed. He said they are beginning to winterize it.

Justin said Well #4 had a leak inside of the casing when they started it up last week so it should be fixed and tested by tomorrow. He said Jason will be attending a water review class and then be testing for certification. Justin said they will be cleaning up after the major windstorm over the next few weeks. He said thank you for the cost of living increase.

Rod also said thanks for the increase and approving the budget. He said no extra help has been set up for spud day this year because the Kiwanis said they did not need it.

Leif said it was overwhelming when his son came home from the drivers ed class and said how cool Rod is and how much he learned during the class that Rod taught. He thanked Rod and said to keep up the good work.

Kim thanked Sandy for all her hard work on the budget.

Kim said she would like to come up with some new planters for the business district. She said maybe she could work with the school and get the planters planted early at the school. Then the planters could be picked up all prepared and placed on the streets. Mayor Pascoe said everyone really appreciates Kim and all her hard work with the Tree Committee.

Mayor Pascoe's said he appreciates everyone and all their hard work.

Adjourned: 9:29 p.m.

APPROVE:  ATTEST: 