

# CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 140 E Walnut Street, Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

February 4, 2020

REGULAR MEETING

## MINUTES

7:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER** - The Genesee City Council met January 4, 2020. Mayor, Steve Odenborg, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**ROLL CALL** - Present at the meeting were council members: Edie McLachlan, Cody Bailey, Art Lindquist, Nyla Roach; City Engineer Scott Becker, Maintenance Supervisory Dustin Brinkly, Clerk/Treasurer Karyn Wright and Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Debi Zenner.

**VISITORS:** John Morris and Chris Loseth, Kent Strader, Paul Turner, Keith VanLeuven, Bill Krick, and Carl Heilman

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Carl Heilman wanted to know if Council had decided if they were changing the meeting times. We have gotten a few responses on what residents think the Council meeting times should be. This will be on our next Agenda for discussion.

**Bill Krick** discussed the fire ratings bureau was here October, 2019. They checked fire hydrants in town for flow. Both rural and city fire ratings will be dropping a full point, beginning April 1, 2020.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Edie made a motion, seconded by Art, to accept the consent agenda, along with payment of the bills; **ROLL CALL VOTE:** McLachlan, Bailey, Lindquist, Roach, Ayes; motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS-

**PIFCU Mobile ATM Location**-Chris Loseth and John Morris were at the Council meeting to discuss where would be the best location to put their mobile ATM (BUCK). Several different locations were discussed, and it sounds like Bill Newbry, from PNW, is willing to let them use their parking lot. Debi will get the contact information to them tomorrow.

**Water System Improvement Project RFP**-We received two proposals; Keltic and Mountain Waterworks. Dustin rated them and had Council members come in to rate them as well. It was decided, Mountain Waterworks has more experience with water and waste water, so they came out on top. Edie made a motion, seconded by Nyla to accept the proposal by Mountain Waterworks; **ROLL CALL VOTE:** McLachlan, Bailey, Lindquist, Roach, Ayes; motion carried.

**Business Licenses:** Global Merchandising (Bonnie McGlothen)  
Thistle Ridge (Rebecca Burt)

These businesses are on-line only, with no deliveries or customers coming to their residences. Art made a motion, seconded by Edie to approve Global Merchandising and Thistle Ridge for businesses licenses; **ROLL CALL VOTE:** McLachlan, Bailey, Lindquist, Roach, Ayes; motion carried.

**Stop Signs Elm/Walnut and Tamarack/Walnut Streets**-This was the Agenda Item that Rich Wayt wanted to discuss, but isn't in attendance. Council discussed, saying the 4-way and 2-way stops signs were put in at the advice of Idaho State Police. Cody made a motion, seconded by Nyla to leave the stop signs the way they are; **ROLL CALL VOTE:** McLachlan, Bailey, Lindquist, Roach, Ayes; motion carried.

**PROJECTS IN PROCESS:**

Sidewalk Replacement (on-going)

Football Field (Rec District) (on-going)

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**Edie-** Asked Dustin to Report

**Dustin-** Our facilities plan is still in the environmental phase and should be finalized next month. Test holes will be drilled next week.

**Cody-** Met with TO Engineering for the LHTAC (Chestnut/Beech Streets) project. Discussed cost and ideas for the project. The project is moving along. It's been decided to have Chestnut Street paved with gravel shoulders, no sidewalks on the south side, except for the Fire Station. Will also be paving Beech Street with some of the cost reduction. Our maintenance guys did an excellent job with snow removal.

**Scott-** Was here at 5:30pm for the LHTAC meeting.

**Art-** We need to review the Latah Planning and Building ordinance so we can get it published. Roach Construction should start creek dredging soon. Working with Gina Taruscio to build up our downtown area to try and bring people into town. Connie, from the Library, asked if they could have a Medicare workshop in the Senior Center, free, February 19<sup>th</sup>. They have a knitting class going on the same day in the Library. Art is in favor of giving the Center at no charge, since it is consistent with a Senior event.

**Nyla-** In checking the Avista bill, the cost of the Christmas lights was \$83 less than last year, because we had timers on them. Spoke with JR, at the school, about students making garbage can and flower receptacles for the utility poles. Hoping to have them done by the "take-over" day in April. The lights at the football field need to be replaced, as one leans pretty bad. Kathy Zenner and Meg Booth are working with the Mobile Food Pantry to come into town every third Tuesday. They will park their truck in the Catholic Church parking lot from 11-1pm. The Civic Association would like to move out of the shed they currently share with the City and move into the pump house that houses the decommissioned well. It would cost around \$1500 to fill the well with gravel and concrete to make it even with the floor. Nyla asked Edie if the water department could help with the cost, but Edie reported there is no extra money in the water fund to do this, so Nyla will ask Civic to pay the entire amount. Nyla also mentioned a couple people told her, in the past, the Fire Department shoveled snow around fire hydrants. Bill Krick indicated this has never been done since he's been on the fire department. Nyla thinks it would be a good idea if they would consider keeping the fire hydrants clear, especially for older residents, who might not be able to. Nyla would like to have a Fall meeting with other small communities to discuss what works for them and what doesn't. This will be added to the next agenda for discussion.


**Debi-** No

**Karyn-** No

**Steve-** Discussed the grocery store closing. PEP (Partnership for Economic Prosperity) would like to work with residents to possibly create a co-op. Zion's Bank would be willing to work with anyone who might be interested in purchasing the store. The AIC meeting in Boise, the Mayor and Nyla attended was really interesting; there were discussions on legislation capping property taxes.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Art made a motion, seconded by Cody, to adjourn at 8:45pm. **VOICE VOTE: Ayes; motion carried.**

  
Steve Odenborg, Mayor

  
Debi Zenner, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer