

# CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 140 E Walnut Street, Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

July 21, 2020

REGULAR MEETING

## MINUTES

6:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER** - The Genesee City Council met July 21, 2020. Mayor, Steve Odenborg, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

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

**VISITORS:** Ryan Rehder, Terrence Stevenson, Jay Roach, Bill Krick, Bill Hartley, Laureen Trail, Doug Bennett, Caleb Calene, and Teresa Thorston

**Bill Krick** - Let Council know that truck #4 was repaired and they approved three new member applications at their last meeting. He will forward the applications to the City for their consideration.

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

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Mt. Waterworks Water Update:** Ryan Rehder gave an overview of the Water Facilities Plan. Only Wells #3 and #5 have been used in recent years because they are the best producers. The City is down to just using Well #5 because of the high Nitrate tests in Well #3 and is the least productive Well, of the two. We are looking to pump test a Well that was drilled in the 1990s to see if it could be used as a possible blending source with Well #3, to make the water safe for drinking. The cost of checking into this could be around 20K. There were also discussions about the cost to blend Well #3 with Well #5. In order to drill another Well, or determine our options, we are left with no choice but to increase the water fees and run a bond in November. Cody made a motion, seconded by Nyla, (with clarification the City can run a 3<sup>rd</sup> bond?), for Ryan Rehder to move forward with Bond Council; **ROLL CALL VOTE: McLachlan, Bailey, Lindquist, Roach Ayes; motion carried.**

**Football Field** - Rec District isn't ready to move forward with the Football Field acquisition phase of their project. Nyla has concerns about including the parking lot area as part of the acquisition, or leaving it with the City. Cody feels as long as it's stipulated it remains a parking lot, it should be included in the agreement. Nyla will work with the Rec District on this property acquisition. Cody made a motion, seconded by Edie to move forward with the intent to gift the football field property to the Rec District; **ROLL CALL VOTE: McLachlan, Bailey, Roach Ayes; motion carried. (Art Lindquist abstained)**

### NEW BUSINESS-

**Old Pump House for Civic Assn** - The Civic Association would like permission to use the old Well House for their storage and get all of their supplies out of the City's storage shed. They would pay the approximately \$1500 to fill in the huge hole that represents the decommissioned Well. Council discussed a 10 years lease, along with a Hold Harmless agreement. Art made a motion, seconded by Edie to approve a 10 year lease, with Hold Harmless agreement with the Civic Association, who will pay to fill in the Well and use the building for their storage needs; **VOICE VOTE: Ayes; motion carried.**

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**Surplus Donation from Lewiston Fire Dept** – Mayor Odenborg read a letter from the City of Lewiston, who are donating fire hoses to the City of Genesee, for use at the Fire Station. They just need this letter signed, once approved by Council. Motion made by Edie, seconded by Art to accept this donation of fire hoses from the City of Lewiston; **VOICE VOTE: Ayes; motion carried.**

**Certificate of Appreciation for Edie McLachlan**-Mayor Odenborg expressed his appreciation to Edie McLachlan for her representation on the City Council.

Art has agreed to remain on City Council until the first meeting in August. Bill Krick has submitted a letter of interest to serve on Council. Mayor Odenborg wanted Council to vote to approve tonight, but Cody reminded this was not on the Agenda and will have to be done at a Special Meeting. It was agreed to have this meeting Thursday, 7/23/2020 at 5:30pm.

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**Art**- Wanted to let everyone know how much he appreciates our Community, but feels he cannot continue to serve on City Council. He will extend his resignation from July 31<sup>st</sup> to August 4, 2020.

**Cody**- Plans to have the guys pave East Chestnut Street. It will be closed for a couple of hours, but will make sure there is a detour.

**Dustin**- No Report

**Debi** – Talked with First Step and is learning our Website

**Karyn** – Wanted everyone to know this was the easiest budget workshop she's done so far and wanted to thank everyone for their help.

**Scott** – Discussed the preliminary design for the Chestnut Street project and there will be a harvest traffic control plan. Will report back as the project gets closer.

**Edie**- Since this is Edie's last meeting, she would like to remind Council they need to increase the water fees to cover costs of upgrading our system and to be sure and to take care of the City employees.

**Nyla**- The sidewalk seating at the Coffee House is blocking foot traffic on Fir and Walnut Streets. There isn't a lot of room for a wheelchair or anyone that needs more room to walk on the sidewalk. A suggestion, they may want to pave the green strip and add to the existing sidewalk on the Fir Street side. The RV Park has made approximately \$1400 so far in July and \$3K in June.

**Steve**- Talked about Broadband, with Gina Taruscio and will have more information by the end of the week. Steve also wanted Council to know that Cutlip's paid their utility bill.

**ADJOURNMENT**-Cody made a motion, seconded by Nyla, to adjourn at 8:04pm. **VOICE VOTE: Ayes; motion carried.**

  
Steve Odenborg, Mayor

  
Debi Zenner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer