CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 235 W Chestnut Street, (Fire Station) Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

December 21, 2021 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER - The Genesee City Council met December 21, 2021, Mayor, John Hermann, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL: Council Members: Bill Krick, Nyla Roach, Cody Bailey, Jesse Aherin, Maintenance Supervisor Dustin Brinkly(zoom), City Clerk/Treasurer Karyn Wright and Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Debi Zenner(zoom), Ryan Rehder-Mtn Waterworks (zoom)

VISITORS: Chance- Digwell, (zoom), Jay Roach, Gary Kiss (zoom)

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Bill, seconded by Jesse to approve the consent agenda as presented, along with payment of the bills and the Financial Statement; Roll Call Vote: Krick, Roach, Aherin, Bailey; AYES, motion passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Land Purchase Review & Approval of Documents- Bill made a motion, seconded by Nyla to table this. VOICE VOTE: Ayes, motion passes

Hokanson Land Swap- John wanted to make Council aware that Mr. Hokanson is no longer interested in the land swap.

NEW BUSINESS:

Land Lease- Brad Roach Property- Nyla spoke about wanting to lease this property from Brad Roach to put a BMX bike track on it. Brad would do a 2 year lease for \$400 per year. This lease would require the City do weed control. If this was successful, then Nyla would look further into a skate park. She has spoken with the Genesee Rec District and they do not seem interested in anything like this. It was decided that Nyla would put together a cost plan before the next discussion.

Explanation of uses of ARPA Money- John talked about the rules and regulations of the ARPA money. It seems the rules are still changing and he would like to see the Council pause a while before deciding the best fit for this money. Cody is concerned we might wait too long and then our options will be even thinner.

Appropriation of ARPA Funds- Cody made a motion, seconded by Nyla to table this. VOICE VOTE; Ayes, motion passes

1 Ton Truck Purchase, Dept %'s of ownership- Bill made a motion, seconded by Jesse to approve the 1 Ton Truck purchase and maintenance percentages as follows: Administrative 5%, Streets 35%, Parks 5%, Water 30%, Sewer 25%. ROLL CALL VOTE: Krick, Roach, Aherin, Bailey; Ayes, motion passes.

City of Moscow Fee Increase- John explained this fee increase is for the disposal of tires. It would be an increase of \$1.30 per household, per month. He also noted that City of Moscow is currently doing a rate study and there could possibly be an increase in the near future. Cody made a motion, seconded by Bill to approve this fee increase. ROLL CALL VOTE; Krick, Roach, Aherin, Bailey; Ayes, motion passes

CITY OFFICIAL, COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

John Hermann- Staff Banking of OT- Cody mentioned that the new Personnel Policy states that an Employee can bank up to 24 hours of Comp. time, unless approved by the Mayor. Council encouraged John to allow this employee to bank up to 2 weeks, so he can spend time with his family when their new baby arrives.

Bill Krick- Water and Sewer Update and Well #8 - Ryan Rehder introduced Chance from Digwell (zoom) Chance reviewed where they are with their well rigs and assured the Council the well rig should be arriving in Genesee the 3rd or 4th of January. The plastic pipe is already here and the steel pipe is on its way. Bill said we need a 2nd well drilled, he asked Chance how far out we would be on that well. Chance said they have space for us in 2022, if we choose to go with them. Chance apologized for any stress or frustration this is causing. Council asked Chance to keep us informed of any hold ups, he said he would.

Ryan Rehder reported the Well House is currently out to bid. There is a pre bid meeting next week. He thinks the only hold up that could arise on the Well House is building materials are becoming hard to get. He believes we will still be online with the new well, by June 2022.

The sewer Plan has been sent to the review group. Ryan is currently working on Land App. Permit and Discharge Permit. He would like to see the bid for the sewer project out by the end of June, but he noted DEQ will not allow us to put this out to bid without 100% funding.

Jay Roach asked about increases in water and sewer fees. Bill explained we will wait until we are online with the new well, then there is a possibility of a water fee increase. The earliest we could see this increase for water is the end of summer. Sewer fee increase would be the same, wait until the project is complete, then do a rate study. Sewer fee increase is a couple of years away. Bill did not see an increase in either water or sewer any sooner than the time frame mentioned above.

Cody Bailey- Street Update –Cody would like to see us approve the LHTAC project start/end dates as start 4/25/22 and complete 7/22/22. These extra dates will be more appealing to bidders. Council agreed to go with the project dates. Cody will notify LHTAC with this news ASAP. Cody commented the Maintenance guys are doing a great job with the snowy roads.

Jesse Aherin-Administrative Update---The Auditors will be at the second meeting in January (1-18-22) to present the Audit Report.

Nyla Roach- Parks Update—None

ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Bill, seconded by Nyla to adjourn at 7:25pm VOICE VOTE: AYES motion passes.

John Hermann, Mayor

Karyn Wright Clerk/Treasurer