

July 20, 2022



CITY OF GRACE, IDAHO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD AT CITY HALL
JULY 20, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor: Jackie Barthlome
Council Members: Kathy Tillotson, Larry Allen, Mike Ridenour
Superintendent: Riley Crookston
Clerk: Shelley Reeves

OTHERS PRESENT: Zoning Commission Member Kyle Bingham, Jake Wright

Mayor Barthlome called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Barthlome excused Councilmember Fluckiger

Councilmember Tillotson gave the invocation.

Clerk Reeves led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on July 6, 2022 were discussed. Motion to accept the minutes as written for 7/6/2022 was made by Councilmember Tillotson. Councilmember Ridenour seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills in the amount of \$8,955.58 and payroll in the amount of \$10,207.35 were reviewed for payment approval. Councilmember Tillotson moved that the bills be approved as reviewed. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Allen. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk Reeves reported that there was \$1,028.00 donated to the fire department, to go towards the sign, from the concert in the park

Zoning Commission Member Kyle Bingham reported that the zoning commission is working on updating the comprehensive plan and will be having a public hearing on a variance on July 21, 2022.

The hiring of an enforcement officer was discussed. Mayor Barthlome stated that the City of Lava pays their officer \$15-16.00 per hour and they work 19 hours per week. Soda Springs pays their officer \$13.00 per hour and they work 10 hours per week. The City of Bancroft Mayor and Councilmembers do the enforcement. Mayor Barthlome suggested paying someone \$10.00 per hour 20 hours per week for the months of May through September which would equate to \$4400.00. The councilmembers felt that \$10.00 per hour was not enough compensation for the what the job would require. Mayor Barthlome suggested that the city could up the fees on dog tags and setting permits to help offset the cost. Councilmember Ridenour feels that Attorney Doug Wood needs to be a part of the hiring process and that the city only hire someone that will take the job seriously. After discussion it was decided to budget \$10,000.00 to hire an enforcement officer next fiscal year.

Mayor Barthlome showed the council an area guide that advertises for business and cities in the area and is put in hotels. She stated that a two-page advertisement would cost \$600.00. Councilmember

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Allen moved that the city does not advertise in the area guide. Councilmember Tillotson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Crookston reported the following:

- The pump in well #1 seized and had to be totally replaced including the pipe. He was able to get well #3 up and running. It is running well producing 300 gallons per minute. The springs are also still running. He has talked with the Department of Environmental Quality about putting well #3 on a monitoring schedule so the well #1 and well #3 can alternate. The generator company is coming to look at the wells so that they can give a bid on a generator that could run the wells.
- The heat caused some problems with the rental aerator causing it to trip off. Bear River Electric was able to rewire it and it is now working well. The new aerators that have been on order will be shipped on July 29, 2022, but the control boxes won't ship for 4 more weeks. Aeration Industries will not charge anymore rental charges and will work with the city on the shipping cost to ship the rental back due to the aerators taking so long to get here.
- He received a letter from the school board stating that they were giving the city permission to fence and concrete around the lift station to before installing the generator. He is still waiting to hear from Rocky Mountain Power since there is a power pole there that may be in the way.
- He contacted Liddil Paving about the 4th West project. They will be able to do it on August 15th – 18th. School will be in session two of those days, but he made sure that they were aware that they would need to use the old road for those two days.

Mayor Barthlome reminded the council that the next meeting would be held on August 3rd at 5:00 p.m. to approve the bills, minutes, tentative budget, and the variance that planning and zoning was having a public hearing on. She thanked the employees for all of their hard work.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Shelley Reeves
CLERK

Jackie Barthlome
MAYOR

Aug. 3, 2022
DATE