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APPROVED

CITY OF GRACE, IDAHO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD AT CITY HALL
JUNE 15, 2022

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Zoning Commission Chairman David Pristupa, Deputy Russell Roper, Deputy Brittany Smith, Dallon Hulse, Jason & Rebecca Moss, John & Diane Roberts, Gloria Peck, Shane Hamilton

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

Councilmember Allen gave the invocation.

Clerk Reeves led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmember Allen moved that the city council pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204, amend the agenda for the meeting to open bids for the 4th West Street project, and to approve the purchase of concrete for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. These were added due to the bids coming in after the agenda was posted but a decision needed to be made before the next meeting so that the work could begin. Councilmember Fluckiger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on June 1, 2022 were discussed. Motion to accept the minutes as written for 6/1/2022 was made by Councilmember Tillotson. Councilmember Fluckiger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills in the amount of \$14,440.48 and payroll in the amount of \$10,391.49 were reviewed for payment approval. Councilmember Tillotson moved that the bills be approved as reviewed. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Fluckiger. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Barthlome reported that the fire department had assisted the county with a fire over the weekend.

Superintendent Crookston presented the following permits that were approved:

- #2022-15 Vernon Hardy – addition on home
- County permit #2022026 – KMR Construction – new home
- County permit #2022032 – Jason & Liz Andersen – pole barn

Zoning Chairman David Pristupa presented a letter (attached) stating the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) commission recommendations on portable dog kennels and playground equipment valuing over \$500.00. The P&Z recommended that portable kennels be required to follow the setback ordinance, and that playground equipment two hundred square feet or larger require setting permit. The city council will discuss these recommendations at a future meeting.

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The animal ordinances were discussed. The city council as a whole feels that the current city ordinances in regard to animals are outdated and contradict themselves. They feel that the state statutes on animals is adequate for the city's needs. They don't think that the city employees have the time or training to enforce the current animal ordinances. The city council decided that they would like to abandon the city's current animal ordinances and adopt the state statute and have the sheriff's office enforce the rules. Clerk Reeves will talk to Attorney Doug Wood to see what the city needs to do to make these changes.

Councilmember Tillotson moved to approve a 5% cost of living adjustment for the employees. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Customer 1410.2 water leak was discussed. The city council stated that the customer had plenty of time before winter to get the leak fixed. Councilmember Tillotson moved to not forgive any of the water used while there was a leak. Councilmember Fluckiger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The vandalism at the park was discussed. The men's restroom paper towel holder, restroom door, and motion sensor were broken. The employees were able to find the culprits using the cameras. The sheriff's office will be charging the culprits restitution and they will be banned from the park. Councilmember Ridenour said that he would donate a new paper towel holder.

Mayor Barthlome reported that a student from the high school will be helping to update the dog pound. She will be painting it on the inside with KILZ paint to get rid of any mold and she has contacted some people that will donate some metal and wood to fix the flashing. Councilmember Allen stated that he would donate the KILZ paint. The employees will be installing a ventilation fan.

Mayor Barthlome turned the time to Councilmember Allen to discuss water meter issues. He has been contacted by some residents concerning their water pressure. He suggested that the city employees bypass the meter for a week to see if that would solve their problem. Then the city would know that the problem is with the meter. Councilmember Ridenour explained that the city had already changed its policy concerning and would allow a 1" meter for the same monthly cost of a ¾" meter but the resident must pay to have the meter changed out.

The bids for the 4th West Street project were discussed (attached). Liddil Paving's base bid was \$98,615.64, base + add.1 \$130,756.86, base + add.1-2 \$199,092.72 and base + add. 1-3 \$224,568.00 and Gale Lim Construction's base bid was \$189,849.00, base + add.1 \$238,052.75, base + add.1-2 \$344,574.00 and base + add. 1-3 \$383,155.00. Councilmember Fluckiger moved to accept the bid from Liddil Paving for base + add. 1-2 for \$199,092.72. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Crookston reported that he had a bid to redo the concrete that was damaged by rock chunks at the Wastewater treatment plant for \$3280.75. Councilmember Allen moved to accept the bid. Councilmember Fluckiger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Crookston reported that he would be going to Pocatello sometime next week to purchase the six-wheeler and pickup that the Idaho Department of Transportation is selling to the

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city. The employees have been working on flushing sewer lines and fixing the sweeper. The generator for the lift station has shipped.

Mayor Barthlome reported that the monument by the flagpole has been installed at the elementary. She reminded the city council of the budget work meeting on June 29. She informed the council that the city has applied for a safe route to school grant. She thanked the employees for their hard work.

Gloria Peck informed the council that the annual concert in the park will be on July 16.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.


Shelley Reeves
CLERK

Jackie Barthlome
MAYOR

July 6, 2022
DATE