



CASCADE CITY COUNCIL

First Regular Meeting
Monday, November 8, 2021
6:00 PM
Cascade City Hall
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Present Council Members Ron Brown, Cynda Herrick, Denise Tangen
Absent Council Member Rachel Huckaby had an excused absence.
A **quorum** was present.

Present in person Judith Nissula, Mayor Heather Soelberg, Treasurer
Janice Van Winkle, Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT Cynda Herrick voiced that with all the potential for development, that the City should look into the installation of a wastewater membrane plant vs the sand filtration and asked that this be put on a future agenda for discussion.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement Printed copy of October activity enclosed.

Clerk Presented the report summarizing activity in various departments.

Library Interim library director, Sherry Scheline presented her report summarizing current programs, staffing, painting and upcoming changes to the heating system at the library. McCall library donated their old metal shelving to the Cascade public library.

Public Works Road grading throughout town is complete. Tree pruning on main street has been completed. Several water leaks happened last week: Basque subdivision, Sinclair main line puncture, and Cabarton Rd. saddle from main to service line.

Sheriff's Office Printout in Council packet. No presentation by the Sheriff.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Airport Airport committee is meeting on November 11, 2021.

Sports Park No report.

NEW BUSINESS

AB 22-11 Perpetua Resources Update

(**No Action**)

Belinda Provancher presented the update. Briefly discussed the corporate takeover during 2021 and her meeting with them. There was a shift in social media communication geared to the investor and not the

community. Improved communication is a goal. Belinda touched briefly on the Nez Perce lawsuit against Midas Gold for a Clean Water Act violation. There will be some cleaning of old tailings and working on keeping clean water clean. Due to continued review and necessary refinements, another 45-day comment period will occur again at the end of the first or second quarter, 2022. The goal for a refined draft is set for the end of 2022 with a goal construction date of spring of 2024. In the interim. Please take the time to comment, whether in support or opposition.

Mayor Nissula asked if Council needed to reappoint the City representative by the end of June. The City may appoint two individual if they choose.

AB 22-12 The Housing Company (No Action)

Kathryn AlMBERG and Erin Anderson gave a Power Point presentation. Past projects focusing on the McCall, The Springs, apartment development and the successful work with Valley County Commissioners to bring that project to completion was discussed. Similar projects have been done in Hailey.

The Mayor asked who actually “owns” the Springs in McCall. The Housing Company is the owner, and long-term property manager of the project. They operate as a 501-3c and follow established guidelines through Idaho Housing and Finance to provide housing based on size of household and total income of household. The Housing Company is a privately held company. Rent is not subsidized; it must be paid. Most people that rent these have jobs. A general “public use rule” must be in place for this type of program. You cannot exclude participants, i.e. 20% retired, etc. However, you can give a preference for what you want to see, and it would be included in a resident selection policy. Note that the income levels are not “family” but “household;” all people residing in the household that work are included in the income qualifiers. Idaho Housing and Finance inspects affordable housing projects such as The Springs; which in their opinion results in better maintained housing. Affordable housing is not tax exempt; it is subject to the payment of property taxes.

Council Member Herrick would like to see something like this move forward.

AB 22-13 Alcohol Beverage License Renewals (Action Item)

Motion by: Cynda Herrick to table the approval of the licenses to the next meeting.

Seconded by: Denise Tangen.

Roll call Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Cynda Herrick Yes, Denise Tangen

Motion passed.

AB 22-14 Sports Park – Disc Golf Signing (Action Item)

Motion by: Ron Brown to approve disc golf basket No. 12 verbiage and 3-year contract.

Seconded by: Denise Tangen.

Roll Call Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Cynda Herrick Yes, Denise Tangen

Motion passed.

AB 22-15 Resolution 22-02 – Destruction of Records (Action Item)

Motion by: Cynda Herrick

Seconded by: Denise Tangen

Roll Call Yes, Cynda Herrick Yes, Denise Tangen Yes, Ron Brown

Motion passed.

AB 22-16 Library – LGIP request (Action Item)

Motion by: Cynda Herrick to move the listed surplus funds to the library LGIP fund.
Seconded by: Denise Tangen

Roll Call Yes, Denise Tangen Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Cynda Herrick
Motion passed.

AB 22-17 Library – Increase in Fees (Action Item)

No discussion or vote. A public hearing must be scheduled and held.

AB 22-18 Library – Schedule public hearing to increase library fees (Action Item)

Motion by: Denise Tangen to schedule and post a public hearing to request an increase in fees at the library for copies including member and non-member pricing.
Seconded by: Cynda Herrick

Roll Call Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Cynda Herrick Yes, Denise Tangen
Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA (Action Item)

Payment Approval Report through November 5, 2021.
Payroll register reports for October 27, 2021.
October 2021 Financials.
Approval of October 25, 2021 meeting minutes.

Motion by: Cynda Herrick to approve the Consent Agenda.
Seconded by: Denise Tangen

Discussion:

Questions regarding computer software cost. The \$11,000.00 was for an additional utility service module in the Caselle software program approved by Council during the budget process.

Roll Call Yes, Cynda Herrick Yes, Denise Tangen Yes, Ron Brown
Motion passed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor attended the workshop for Valley County city leaders conducted by the Idaho SMART Growth group at a meeting held in McCall where common issues, especially those related to growth in the Valley County impact area, were discussed.

Discussion of the Broadband initiative and a joint powers agreement will put in front of Council in the future

Potential funding resulting from the infrastructure bill is under review. The City Grant Writer is working on this including an updated hazard mitigation plan that reflects any grant application funding requirements. The WaterSMART grant application is complete.

Staff is doing IIIA mental health training on November 9, 2021 at the office. Mayor Nissula congratulated the recently elected Council Member, Jason Speer.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:46 pm.