

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 27, 2020

MAYOR & COUNCIL

Daniel M. Keller, Mayor
Todd Thomas, Council
Terry D. Larson, Council
I. Brent Dodge, Council
Allyson Wadsworth, Council

STAFF

Kelly Mickelsen, City Treasurer
Tyrell Simpson, City Engineer
Shawn Oliverson, Economic Development
Dan McCammon, Police Chief
John Balls, Public Works Director
Lyle Fuller, City Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT:

Colter Hollingshead, Jared Richins, Jim Mullen, Doug Ransom, Scott Palmer, Jill Parish, Bill Miller, Sarah Hobbs, Rosanne Hobbs, Kyle Henderson, Berni Winn, Penny Wright, Steve Call

Council Meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by Mayor Dan Keller

Consent
Calendar

The consent calendar includes items which require formal Council action, but which are typically routine or not of great controversy. Individual Council members may ask that any specific item be removed from the consent calendar in order that it be discussed in greater detail. Explanatory information is included in the City Council's agenda packet regarding these items.

- A. Council Minutes (January 13, 2020)
- B. Bills (January 27, 2020)

It was moved by Councilmember Larson and seconded by Councilmember Wadsworth to approve all items on the Consent Calendar, which include Council Minutes of January 13, 2020 and Bills through January 27, 2020. This received unanimous approval.

Wastewater
Facility
Planning
Workshop

Keller and Associates presented the workshop. Mayor Keller explained that our wastewater facilities are in dire need of an update due to needing more capacity and to abide to new rules required by the D.E.Q., phosphorous in particular.

Colter Hollingshead led the presentation that included the following topics.

1. Compliance schedule- This stated that the design would be done and we would award the bid in the fall of 2020. Construction would start the spring of 2023 and the project would be done in 2025.
2. Study Progress - So far the study has identified deficiencies, design points have been defined, layouts are being evaluated and they are moving forward on preliminary cost estimates and funding analysis.
3. Summarized Deficiencies - age of current plant, capacity, inability to meet new phosphorous requirements.
4. Potential Treatment Plant Layout - have met with City several times and discussed a 2.8 MGD Oxidation Ditch facility.
5. Project Funding - Explained options for grants and loans including CDBG, DEQ, USDA, Army Corp and Special Appropriation Grants. Possible grants could meet 25% to 40% of project cost.
6. Bond Election and Judicial Confirmation - discussed the different options.

Questions from the council included the following:

Question - Councilmember Larson - does DEQ penalize the City for the total phosphorous in Worm Creek or just what comes out of the sewer plant.

Answer - just what comes out of the sewer plant.

Question - Mayor Keller - would reduction of groundwater infill reduce the cost of the project?

Answer - not particularly as the residents of the city produce high levels of phosphorous that will still need to be treated.

Question - Councilman Dodge - Why is this the best system?

Answer - This system works best for our levels that spike and operation and maintenance are less expensive.

Mayor and Council discussed whether or not a bond election would be worthwhile as the project must be done regardless of the result. Some favored having an election so the voice of the public would be heard. It was noted that if a bond election was held and it did

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not pass, a Judicial Confirmation would be necessary and may make a lot of voters unhappy. It was stated that educating the public is vital and that the sooner the city chose an option the better as to get the project underway.

Councilmember Wadsworth said she would get presentation on the website and Facebook page.

Resolution #122 Mayor Keller stated that this resolution is to authorize the new Mayor and Council President to sign checks.

Authorizing Bank Signatures Councilmember Thomas made the motion to approve Resolution #122 authorizing new bank signatures. Councilmember Dodge seconded the motion. Motion received unanimous approval.

Resolution #123 Mayor Keller stated that this resolution is to authorize the City Treasurer to invest surplus city funds in approved investments.

Authorizing Treasurer To Invest City Funds Councilmember Thomas made the motion to approve the resolution authorizing the City Treasurer to invest surplus city funds as written. Councilmember Dodge seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Ratify Mayor's Signature On Development Agreement For Countryside Subdivision Attorney Fuller had made changes to the agreement under the direction of the City Council. Mayor signed this agreement on the recommendation of City Attorney Fuller. This motion is to ratify the Mayor's signature done previous to this council meeting.

Mayor Keller wished to inform the council that this was a special situation where the changes had been previously approved by the council. The developer was under some time constraints and this was the reason he signed the agreement before the meeting. Mayor Keller also stated that this was a one-time thing and was not something that would be done unless there were extenuating circumstances.

Councilmember Larson made the motion to ratify Mayor Keller's signature on the Countryside Subdivision Development Agreement. Councilmember Wadsworth seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Discuss Roll Of Planning & Zoning Commission P&Z Chairman Penny Wright and Vice-Chairman Steve Call asked the City Council the following questions.

What can we do to help the City Council run smoother?
Can the P&Z get training?
What authority does the P&Z have?
What is the timetable of the Comprehensive Plan?

They stated that it has been a challenge to try and make decisions based on an old and outdated Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor and Council first thanked the commission members for their willingness to serve.

Councilmember Dodge asked if the P&Z would take on the oversight of revising the Comprehensive Plan. The rest of the council agreed that this would be in line with the duties of the P&Z Commission.

Assistant Planner Oliverson mentioned that if they needed assistance SICOG could possibly help out.

Council members said that they always take the P&Z recommendations into consideration when deciding matters.

Councilmember Dodge suggested taking some time at P&Z meeting for training on weeks when there is a short agenda.

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Executive Session It was moved by Councilmember Larson and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to enter Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, as allowed by Idaho Codes 74-206(1)(f). The vote was as follows:

Councilmember Thomas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Larson	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Wadsworth	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Dodge	<u>Aye</u>

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Entered Executive Session at 6:50 P.M.

Left Executive Session at 7:40 P.M.

Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M. by Mayor Keller.

Kelly Mickelsen, Deputy Clerk

Daniel M. Keller, Mayor