

HOMEDALE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Homedale City Hall
31 W. Wyoming Street

June 12, 2019

6:00p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Presiding: Mayor Gheen Christoffersen

Council Present: Aaron Tines, Mike Aebischer, Jerry Anderson

Council Absent: Steve Atkins

Attorney: Paul Fitzer

Staff Attending: Alice E Pegram, Jeff Eidemiller, Bret Smith, Sharla Jensen

Approve Agenda: Action Item Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the agenda as written: Councilman Aebischer made the motion, Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Approve Council Meeting Minutes from May 08, 2019 Meeting: Action Item: Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the May, 08th meeting minutes; Councilman Tines made the motion; Councilman Aebischer seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Danny Simmons: dispute over height of fence; Discussion/Action: Danny Simmons talked with the Mayor and Council about his new fence. He wants to have the front at 4 feet; current city ordinance is 3 feet for a fence. He did say he did not have a fence permit. He is asking for permission to keep his 4 foot front fence. He showed pictures of several other properties in Homedale that are at least 4 feet. The Mayor and Council discussed the reasons for the 3 ft. limit; safety being the major concern. Paul Fitzer said the city should follow its ordinance; and they can change it; but currently it is 3 ft. He added just because someone else breaks the law is not a good reason for other. Changing the ordinance was discussed. Mayor Christoffersen asked Jeff to measure and he asked Alice to table this until the next meeting.

Installation of Sewer Line at 303 E Owyhee: Discussion/Action. Andrew Kimmel, (City Engineer) stated the city has a pressure line that runs up Owyhee, but he recommends not tapping into it for this property. He suggested using the gravity feed which is about 300 feet to the East. He added the City is obligated to provide sewer to this property, but the property owner will be responsible for the hookup. Bret had nothing else to add. Chad Packer is the prospective owner; Mayor Christoffersen recused himself due to he owns the property and is selling it to Chad Packer. Andrew added this will need to go through DEQ because it is a sewer line. Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the main line installation of the sewer line; Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion passed by ½ plus 1 of the Council. Bret said he would get started on notifying DEQ. Chad asked about starting the building process and he is wanting to build two homes; Alice said according to the County the property is two lots; Block 94 and lots 11 and 12. Each lot is 50 X 125.

Library Report: Mayor Christoffersen said there is metal standing at the site. He also read a thank you note from R & M Steel (who has donated several steel buildings to Homedale). He said the donated and they send us a thank you.

Police Report: Jeff had nothing to report at this time.

Public Works Report:

Discussion/Action; Shed for RV Park: Councilman Aebischer talked to the local people who build the sheds; he said they are open to either donating the building or giving it to us at half price. He is waiting to hear from them. Mayor Christoffersen tabled this until Mike heard from them.

Bret said they were spraying the right of ways; and getting ready to repair roadways. He repaired a valve at Sundance Park. Also, they were going to start exercising the meters valves.

P & Z Report: Alice reported on 3 new building permits pulled; one remodel; two reroofs. She added there were two new business licenses pulled this last week.

Attorney Report:

Agreement with A Escujuri: Discussion/Action: Paul reviewed this permit with the Mayor and Council. Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to give Archie a copy of the agreement; Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Mayor and Council Member Report:

Steve at 33 Kansas; he said he was told he could not use the water in the ditch behind his house; he could only use the water from the front of his property. He said his deed showed he has water rights to the ditch plus three feet past the ditch. He said his pump is pulled out of the ditch and his fruit trees are dying. Bret said he is off a different pipe line in the front. Paul said he would need to see the deed. The guy is supposed to bring it into City Hall. Bret said the back ditch is for the people who have the pastures in the back.

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to go into executive session for the following reasons: He asked for a roll call:

Councilman Aebischer	yes
Councilman Anderson	yes
Councilman Tines	yes

Regular meeting was closed and they entered into executive sessions.

Executive Session; in Accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 (1)(f): To communicate with legal Counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

Executive Session; in Accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 (1)(b): To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student.

Mayor reopened the meeting after the executive session.

Approve the Bills: Action Item


Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the bills; Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Adjournment: Action Item:

Mayor Christoffersen adjourned the meeting.



Mayor Gheen Christoffersen

Attest: 

Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk