

HOMEDALE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Homedale City Hall
31 W. Wyoming Street

March 11, 2020

6:00p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Presiding: Mayor Gheen Christoffersen

Council Present: Aaron Tines, Mike Aebischer, Jerry Anderson

Guests: See Attached

Attorney: Paul Fitzer

Staff attending: Alice E Pegram, Mike McFetridge, Bret Smith, Sharla Jensen

Approve Agenda/Action: Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the agenda; Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded; motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Approve Council Meeting Minutes from February 12, 2020/Action Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the minutes; Councilman Tines motioned to approve the minutes and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

III A- City Insurance Update by Amy Manning:

Amy spoke to the Mayor and Council on the progress the III-A has made. See attached information.

Garrett Elordi: Discussion/Action on proposed City Cleanup for his Senior Project:

Garrett spoke to the Mayor and Council about his senior project; he is hoping to put together a group to clean up the Bette Uda Park and the Park by the City pool. He would like a mentor from the City to assist; Bret volunteered himself or one of his staff. He is hoping to schedule this for April 2nd; and most of the High School Students will assist. Mayor and Council felt it was a great project. Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the project; Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Mark Perea: Discussion/Action, Proposed Junior Tennis Clinic: Mark spoke to the Mayor and Council proposing a competitive tennis clinic. He would schedule around the high school use and he believes this will prepare them for possibly a professional career in tennis. He is asking the City to pay him a salary of \$44,000 with an added \$5,000 for equipment. After some discussion; Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve his request; no motion was made; it was not passed. (see attached information)

Great West: Discussion/Action: Library CDBG Grant.

Resolution for ADA Compliance and Non-Discrimination and
The LEP (Limited English Proficiency) Four Factor Analysis.

Discussion/Action: City of Homedale Americans with Disabilities Act
Transition Plan

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to pass the Resolution for ADA Compliance and Non-discrimination; Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Aebischer seconded; motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to accept the City of Homedale Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan. Councilman Tines made the motion and Council Aebischer seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Library Report: Sharla reported the sign would be up soon and the ground opening will be April 4th. She asked what the Mayor and Council wanted to do for the opening. Sharla said they are planning on having hot dogs; games; snow cones and door prizes. Mayor Christoffersen said to take the hot dogs out of his budget. Sharla asked that the Council participate in the grand opening; they said they would assist. Sharla added they had the handicap button installed. Sharla asked the attorney to review the forms for the renting of the old library building. Sharla is going to give Alice a list of the items they want to surplus for the next meeting. Mayor asked Bret to put the grand opening on our reader board at least a week prior. Sharla mentioned she would like to offer free library cards the day of the opening; and the attorney said no. Mayor Christoffersen asked if the leaks were taken care of; Sharla said yes.

Police Report:

Mike said he didn't have a lot to report. Mike added the new car was still in Portland.

Public Works Report:

Bret said his guys were spraying and patching pot holes. He said the RV Park was open. He added the new playground ground cover was started and hopefully it would be usable soon. Mayor Christoffersen reminded them we will have a memorial bench donated by Mandy Zank-Snow Family.

Bret said DEQ has the plans for the sewer line replacement on Idaho St.' He asked Andrew Kimmel (Great West Engineer) to speak about it. Andrew said there is one trenchless contractor in the valley and he was hoping to get a bid from them soon. He added DEQ had some expensive restrictions on how it was to be done if it was open cut; approx.. \$60,000 additional money.

Bret said they were working on their irrigation project list. He added we should get irrigation water around the middle of the month.

Councilman Aebischer said what a great job Bill was doing on the RV Park and the restrooms.

Planning and Zoning:

See attached report.

Engineer Report: No report

Attorney Report: No report

Mayor and Council Member Report:

Discussion/Action on Increasing Airport lease rates and Tie Down Rates. John McBean said he did feel some of the property taxes the airport hangar owners pay should be put back into the airport. He added that a lot of the airports surveyed offered better facilities. Councilman Tines said he would like to see a portion of the property tax and the rate increase and put that into a capital improvement fund strictly for the airport. He would like see us put \$20,000 a year back for improvements and matching if we would get a grant. After much discussion it was decided to increase the tie down rate to:

Nightly rate: \$5.00

Monthly rate: \$15.00 for Homedale Citizens

Monthly rate: \$30.00 for Non-Citizens of Homedale

The hangar lease rate will go to: \$.10¢ per square foot.

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the hangar rent rate increase to \$.10¢; Councilman Aebischer made the motion and Councilman Tines seconded; motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to set a public hearing to set the tie down fees as follows:

Nightly rate: \$5.00

Monthly rate: \$15.00 for Homedale Citizens

Monthly rate: \$30.00 for Non-Citizens of Homedale

Councilman Anderson made the motion and Councilman Aebischer seconded; motion carried by ½ plus one.

Mayor Christoffersen said they need to sit down and discuss what is a priority and what can be done.

John McBean asked about the property that is currently being used for an auction; Mayor Christoffersen stated it would stay as is for now.

Discussion/Action- City Cleanup: This was tabled until the next meeting.

Approve the Bills/Action: Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the bills; Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Aebischer seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to go into executive session per:


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.

Councilman Tines made the motion and Councilman Aebischer seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus one of the Council.

Mayor Christoffersen adjourned the meeting.



Mayor Gheen Christoffersen

Attest: 
Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk