

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

August 12, 2020

4:00p.m.

MEETING WAS AT SUNDANCE PARK
500 South 1st Street West

MEETING MINUTES

Presiding: Mayor Gheen Christoffersen (arrived late) Council President started the meeting

Council Present: Steve Atkins, Mike Aebischer, Jerry Anderson

Guests: See Attached

Attorney: Paul Fitzer

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

Approve Agenda, Action: Council President Aebischer asked for a motion to approve the agenda, Councilman Atkins made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Approve Council Meeting Minutes from July 8th meeting, Discussion/Action: Council President Aebischer asked for a motion to approve the minutes; Councilman Anderson made the motion and Councilman Atkins seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Homedale Assembly of God: Discussion/Action Car Show at Bette Uda Park; September 26th, 2020. Pastor Ivar Moore spoke to the Council on his car show. There have not been any problems in the past; Council President Aebischer asked for a motion to approve the event; Councilman Atkins made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion approved by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Council President Aebischer closed the regular meeting and opened the first Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED FY2021 BUDGET; Council President Aebischer asked for any comments on the proposed FY2021 Budget. No comments were made; he closed the public hearing.

Council President Aebischer opened the Public Hearing for the Airport Lease Rate and Tie Down rate increases.

PUBLIC HEARING; Airport Lease Rate and Tie Down rates Increase. Council President Aebischer asked for any comments; none made. He then closed the public hearing and reopened the regular meeting.

Owyhee Conservation District; Waste Tire Recycling Event; Discussion/Action: (see attached) Debbie Abel gave an update on the project. It was determined the City's donation would be the loan of the property for the recycling. The date of November 7th and 8th was decided on with the trailers delivered on Friday and picked up on Monday. They added Marsing City gave \$500 and they were waiting to hear from the County. Several suggests were made to assist them in getting more donations; i.e. Albertsons, Idaho pizza.

Library Report: Sharla had nothing new to report; she just questioned when the library might be ready for occupancy.

Police Report: Mike McFetridge reported they were busy with the Fair and Rodeo.

Westown's Disposal: Update: Bill Pastoor reported he is selling his company to Republic Services. He will remain with them for a time. They will take over tentatively September 1st, 2020. The attorney will need to write an addendum to the Contract. Bob Bennett with Republic stated they would not be making any changes at first; they will keep the current employees and they want to be part of the community. They will keep the recycling bins. The Council agreed with the change and asked the Attorney to draw up the addendum.

Mayor Christoffersen came in.

Public Works Report: Bret said they are prepping for chip seal on August 20th. Bret said he would like to get moving on items 5 and 6 on the prioritized list. Bret said they need to start looking at buying a new lawn mower; the yellow mower. It has 1625 on it; maybe keep it as a backup or trade it in.

Bret said the Middle School is considering changing their meter size; they believe it is oversized which is costing them more money.

Sewer forced main replacement is in process; Andrew Kimmel commented saying they were at 11 ½ feet below the creek bottom.

Councilman Atkins mentioned he had a lot of calls on the lack of irrigation water. Bret said he would be working on issues once the irrigation was off for the season.

Engineering Report:

Andrew Kimmel with Great West spoke about the 2nd sewer project on Idaho. He was hoping for the middle of September.

Discussion/Action: Great West Engineering Report on Wastewater Planning and Airport Grants. Andrew mentioned the City received a \$25,000 grant for the wastewater planning. Josh and Mitch with Great West spoke on the Airport fencing project grant. See attached.

Mayor Christoffersen said they are trying to work with the citizens that use that area for fishing and the airport users; they want it to be safer for all.

Attorney Report:

Mayor and Council Member Report:

Appropriation Ordinance for FY21; Discussion/Action

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the Appropriation Ordinance for FY21; Councilman Aebischer made the motion and Councilman Anderson seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Resolution to Reserve the Forgone Dollars: Discussion/Action; Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the Resolution; Councilman Atkins made the motion and Councilman Aebischer seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Airport Lease Rate and Tie Down rates Increase; Discussion/Action; Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the Airport rate increases; Councilman Anderson made the motion; Councilman Atkins seconded; motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Discussion/Action on HVAC System at City Hall. Mayor Christoffersen spoke on the need for a new system; he said the computer room and the police dept. are in dire need of a new system. He added the last server we purchased was \$15,000. (see attached bids) The Mayor and Council decided on Air Now. Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to hire Air Now; Councilman Aebischer made the motion and Councilman Atkins seconded. Motion carried by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Alice did speak about our Insurance rates; Dental and Vision had no rate increase; Medical premium will go up 1% effective October 1st.

Mayor Christoffersen did say he appreciated what Bill Pastoor has done and meant to our community.

Approve the Bills/Action;

Mayor Christoffersen asked for a motion to approve the bills; Councilman Atkins made the motion and Council Anderson seconded. Motion approved by ½ plus 1 of the Council.

Mayor Christoffersen adjourned the meeting.



Mayor Gheen Christoffersen

Attest: 

Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk