

NOTUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Regular Session: **Monday, March 4th, 2019**

@ 7:00PM at Notus City Hall

1. Meeting Called to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Mayor, David Porterfield.

2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken with the following results: Councilwoman, Michelle DeGiorgio and Councilman, Clint Berends present. Councilwomen, Bonnie Emly present by speaker phone. Mayor, David Porterfield also present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Concerns, Comments

Tina Wilson, Western Alliance Executive Director signed in to speak and was recognized by the Mayor. She reported that Treasure Valley Renewables, the sorghum plant waste energy at the intersection of Hwy 95 and 20/26 is in stage two engineering. Also we can call her at any time. She serves two counties and 4 cities but tries to attend all meetings concerning land use issues. She is currently involved in reviewing the comprehensive plan for Gem County. She is actively involved in the comprehensive plan in Greenleaf. The planning and zoning from Wilder has asked her to be engaged in their comprehensive plan. So if we decide to look at our plan, know that this is what we pay her for, in part is to give us an economic development point of view. She is only an email, text or phone call away.

She is also involved in the Northwest Community Institute for past 6 years. Part of this involves a university professor who is a regional bio planning director for the University of Idaho on economic development. In the past they have worked with Idaho City. They meet with the city, using their resources for community planning, economic planning and comprehensive planning. Tina would like to suggest Notus as the next city. If selected, there is no cost and we get all the resources of the University and NWCDI. They have done some really good things with Idaho City over the past few years.

Mayor comments that sounds like a good opportunity.

DeGiorgio asks if Tina has seen our comprehensive plan.

Tina comments yes, and that we should look at the future land use planning. She suggests reviewing at one chapter at a time. Our plan is from about 2006-07 so the statistics will differ from today.

5. Consent Agenda, ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Disbursement List

DeGiorgio motioned to pay the disbursements as listed. Berends seconded. Treasurer, Marie read the list of disbursements for Council. Total of \$1258.18. Roll call was taken with the following results: DeGiorgio; yes, Berends; yes, Emly; yes. Motion passed.

5.2 Council Meeting Minutes

DeGiorgio wants her comments added to meeting minutes of Feb. 19 at 6.3, Treasurer Report concerning her request for current revenue and expense reports/balances. Clerk will review the audio tape and add them to the minutes. Mayor commented that Eilers stated she would have the current report at the second meeting of the next month.

Decision tabled for meeting minutes from Feb 19 and 21, 2019.

DeGiorgio steps out of meeting at 7:24 pm and clerk calls for a short recess.

DeGiorgio returns at 7:29 pm and meeting continues.

5.3 Committee Meeting Minutes: Library, Community Events

NONE

6. Community Relations

- 6.1 VRT Liaison**
NONE
- 6.2 COMPASS – RTAC**
NONE
- 6.3 Notus School District**
NONE

7. Professional's Reports

- 7.1 Wastewater**
NONE
- 7.2 City Engineer**
NONE

8. Business: ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Area of Impact Construction Set Back Variance Request, 18796 Elton Lane, Caldwell

Mayor states that Chris Linkhart of 18796 Elton Lane is within the City's area of impact and is requesting a variance of the back property line 20ft building code setback to 16 ft. He has a geothermal underground heating/cooling system that makes the current setback undesirable for accessing a proposed pole barn for storing RV.

Discussion.

Berends motioned to allow the 16 ft and recommend to Canyon County to accept the 16ft back property line setback for building at 18796 Elton Lane. DeGiorgio seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: DeGiorgio; yes, Berends; yes, Emly; yes. Motion passed.

8.2 Shop Construction at Well Site #4

Mayor comments that he has not received plans from the contractor yet. He has contacted another one and they will meet Wed.

8.3 Spring Clean Up, Free Dump Day

Mayor states that Canyon County has declared April 27 as free day at Pickle Butte. He asks if Council would like to do anything else. DeGiorgio would like to see if Fox and Westown would be willing to supply dumpsters for residents. She suggests placing them near City Hall so they could be watched. Emly suggested a City clean up week. Staff will research City's options available with garbage providers for City cleanup event.

8.4 Free Dump Day Resolution

Berends motioned to approve Free Dump Day, April 27th, 2019 resolution. DeGiorgio seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: DeGiorgio; yes, Berends; yes, Emly; yes. Motion passed.

8.5 April Fair Housing Month, Declaration

Berends motioned to approve April Fair Housing Month Declaration. DeGiorgio seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: DeGiorgio; yes, Berends; yes, Emly; yes. Motion passed.

8.6 Set 2019-20 Budget Hearing Date

DeGiorgio motioned to hold the 2019-20 budget hearing on August 19, 2019. Emly seconded. Voice vote. All in favor. Motion passed.

9. Mayor & Council Comment

Mayor commented that he met with Mr. Woods to discuss the community wide 2020 census and how to best educate the community to get involved. This is a collection of information from residents like household income, number of people residing in the home, etc. This information is important because it affects the amount of grants and loans the City and School District qualify for on the basis of city population and household medium income.

DeGiorgio commented that residents need to know that honesty is the best policy and this is not individual results.

Emly commented that perhaps the Library could be a hub for getting information and collecting information.

10. Adjournment

DeGiorgio motioned to adjourn at 8:15pm Berends seconded. Voice vote. All in favor. Motion passed.

Respectively submitted by Loretta Vollmer, City Clerk _____

David Porterfield, Mayor _____