

NOTUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Regular Session: **Monday, May 4th, 2020**

7:00 pm @ Notus City Hall

375 Notus Road, Notus, ID 83656

Clerk Note: This meeting is being held using GoToMeeting application to encourage social distancing during the COVID19 health threat as per the suggestions from Idaho Governor. Everyone was encouraged to attend the meeting using their computer, table, smart phone, or landline telephone. Council chambers was open to a limited number of visitors.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mayor, David Porterfield 7:05 PM

2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken with the following results: Councilwomen Bonnie Emly and Michelle DeGiorgio attended by telephone. Councilmen Nathan Wells and Steve Ahlborn attended by computer. City Attorney, Todd Lakey, Mayor, David Porterfield, City Clerk, Loretta Vollmer, Public Works Supervisor, Tyler Martin, Engineer, Antonio Conte, all attended by computer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Concerns, Comments

NONE

5. Consent Agenda

5.1 Disbursement List

Wells motioned to pay the disbursement list for 5-4-20 if \$4178.06. Ahlborn seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Wells; yes, Ahlborn; yes, Emly; yes. Motion was passed.

5.2 Council Meeting Minutes

Emly motioned to approve council meeting minutes from April 20, 2020. Wells seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Emly; yes, Wells; yes, DeGiorgio; abstain, Ahlborn; yes. Motion passed.

5.3 Committee Meeting Minutes: Community Events, Library Board

NONE

6. Staff Reports

6.1 Treasurer Report

NONE

6.2 Public Works Supervisor

Tyler reported that the elevated tank is drained in preparation to fix the leak. Rock chucks are still an issue at the lagoons. He is seeking permission from Hardcastle's to bring in help with those.

7. Professional Reports

7.1 Engineer: Mountain Waterworks

Mayor reported that the sewer project close-out payments are being processed.

7.2 Wastewater Operator

NONE

8. Business, ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Vehicle Purchase

Councilman Wells stated that he checked in with Dave (acquaintance of Wells with car auction buying experience) for the federal and state auctions sites. They had 3 pickups, but none fit our criteria and the bid prices were running too high. He will keep us informed of options. Ahlborn suggests getting two vehicles for about \$8,000 each. No buying power unless we have a motion to be able to spend. The year does not mean as much as the mileage. Discussion. Do we want to be able to put a snowplow on it? Do we need two vehicles?

Wells motioned to authorize \$8000 for one vehicle or \$16000 for two. DeGiorgio seconded. Discussion.

Mayor commented that we may need to change our definition of needs. Wells amended his motion to spend up to \$11,000 on one vehicle or total of \$16,000 for two. DeGiorgio seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Wells; yes, DeGiorgio; yes, Eml; yes, Ahlborn; yes. Motion passed.

8.2 Contract Renewals

Sanitation Services Contract

Rise Broadband

Mayor commented that Bill from Westown is asking us to change the contract from a 1-year renewal to a 5-year renewal, so as to not have to review so often. Attorney suggested a 1-year automatic rolling for 5 years unless somebody does not want to renew. Mayor stated that Bill does not feel like there needs to be a change in the rate at this time. He will continue his discussion and bring it back to Council. Wells agrees with Mayor about the 5-year review. But he would like to know the justification for the change. Mayor will continue negotiations. Another change rewording of section A 1.5, called the annexations and says *in event that the city annexes additional property during the term of this contract contractor acknowledges that existing solid waste collection service providers will be notified of termination of services with the residential, or commercial establishments that are affected by the annexation.* Mayor stated that this seems to be a bit vague and needs clarification. Mayor would like to re-organize that paragraph.

Mayor stated Rise Broadband has equipment on our tower, same as SafeLink. He sent them a copy of the proposed contract with SafeLink. There are some changes they would like to make. They don't care for the yearly rate increase of 5% of monthly fees. They will be sending us a list of equipment they have there. They would also like 180 days for notice of termination.

DeGiorgio commented to treat both the same, if they do not like it, they can leave it. Mayor will continue the contract discussion with them.

8.3 COVID19 Updates

Governor has extended emergency proclamation to May 15, 2020. We continue to follow state and County guidelines.

9. Executive Session; (Idaho Code 74-206(1) (b)) (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.

Ahlborn motioned to go into Executive Session; (Idaho Code 74-206(1) (b)) (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 at 8:33 pm. Wells seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Ahlborn; yes, Wells; yes, DeGiorgio; yes, Emly; yes. Motion passed.

DeGiorgio motioned to leave Executive Session at 9:05 pm. Wells seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: DeGiorgio; yes, Wells; yes, Emly; yes, Ahlborn; yes. Motion passed.

10 Mayor & Council Comment

NONE

11. Adjournment

DeGiorgio motioned to adjourn at 9:06 pm. Wells seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Respectively submitted by Loretta Vollmer, City Clerk _____

Approved by David Porterfield, Mayor _____