

RIGGINS CITY COUNCIL
November 9, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.
Riggins City Hall

The regular meeting of the Riggins City Council was called to order by Chairperson Roy Akins. Councilors present – Clay and Wilson. Mayor McClure and Councilor Sampson were absent (*Councilor Sampson arrived late*).

STAFF: Cody Killmar

GUESTS: Candace Musso, Heather May, Gary Haueter, Bob Crump

At this time, a motion was made by Wilson to amend the agenda to include the Pledge of Allegiance at the start of every meeting; motion was seconded by Clay. Voting yea, Clay, Wilson and Akins. No nays; motion carried.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OCTOBER MINUTES: Council members were individually polled and all confirmed they had read the October meeting minutes. Motion was made by Wilson to approve the October meeting minutes as presented; motion was seconded by Clay. Voting yea, Wilson, Akins, and Clay. No nays; motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT and BILLS FOR PAYMENT: The financial statement was read detailing \$370.19 paid after the October meeting bringing the total October disbursements to \$84,141.54. Bills in the amount of \$52,318.30 were then presented for payment. Motion was made by Clay to approve the financial statement and allow the bills for payment; seconded by Wilson. Voting yea, Wilson, Clay, and Akins. No nays; motion carried. A copy of the financial report is attached and hereby made a part of this record.

100/104 SOUTH MAIN – CANDACE MUSSO: Musso provided a detailed map of her two properties highlighting the front lot that is currently for sale, and the back lot she plans to keep and put a small home to live in. She would like to extend the front lot property line 15' to the east to include the ingress and egress and utility easement with Summerville's. Musso indicated this easement is for non-exclusive use and can be parked on, but there may not be a permanent structure on this section. Musso reported the surveyor, Joel Droulard, will provide a new survey detailing the lot line change. Clerk requested that Public Works Director, Dan Wash, review the information provided next week.

~ At this time, Councilor Sampson entered the meeting ~

CITY PARK BOAT RAMP PROJECT: Councilor Clay reported that a meeting was held earlier today with the contractor – Dan and Brandon Cook, Cook & Sons, Nate Wright with Welch-Comer Engineers, Dan Wash, Clerk and himself. Discussed the budget constraints and what would be the best way to move ahead with the project. The cost of concrete has nearly doubled; concrete will be coming from the Ferdinand plant. The Army Corps of Engineers permit requires that below water work be completed by the end of February. As was discussed at the special meeting November 2nd, a number of things would need to be removed from the project in order to stay within budget – catch basins, staging area, crushed rock and stripping. Another option would be to complete the concrete boat ramp area to include catch

basins, staging area, etc. in January/February 2023; which would leave some funding from the current grant, and apply for another grant in January 2023 to fund the remainder of the project (asphalt road) in the summer of 2023. This would assure the boat ramp is a quality product with the desired features. Council discussed the idea at length; Clerk indicated Idaho Parks and Recreation has indicated applying for another grant to fund the remainder is a viable option. After discussion, motion was made by Sampson to approve the completion of the concrete boat ramp area by the end of February, and seek additional funding to complete the asphalt road next year; motion was seconded by Clay. Voting yea, Clay, Wilson, Akins and Sampson. No nays; motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

LIBRARY – no report

FIRE – no report

PUBLIC WORKS – no report

AMBULANCE – Cody reported the following:

- ◆ New ambulance grant – should find out later this month if we are successful. Lewis County has indicated that if they do get a grant for a new ambulance and Riggins does not, they would be willing to either donate or sell a surplus ambulance to Riggins.
- ◆ Operative IQ – inventory system report provided to the Council for review. Report shows inventory by cabinet with total value of \$126,939 (station, classroom and Ambulance A with portion of X rig); program tracks supplies down to each band aid, then alerts Cody when to order; also updates the replacement cost if price change occurs through vendor. Staff complete vehicle inspections to assure equipment and supplies are where they're supposed to be and available. Expense is \$2,100 per year; Cody stressed the importance and value of this program.
- ◆ Kathy Farnsworth has volunteered to manage the aluminum cans that are donated to the Ambulance. Rocke and Claudia Wilson recently took a load to Lewiston for processing.
- ◆ Chili and Salsa cook-off is Saturday, December 3rd; sponsored by Harris CPA's. Flyers are posted throughout town.

STATUS REPORT – FIRE VEHICLES: In Jeff's absence, no report.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES IN CITY LIMITS: Councilor Sampson reported he has been contacted by 9 individuals regarding the Hubbard property near the Cemetery as well as the Jones property along the highway at Chukar Point and the unsightly appearance at the entrance to the City.

Sampson researched the City of New Meadows Short Term Recreational Vehicle Use Ordinance which has provided for review; detailed four types of RV permits required. RV's without a permit receive a written notice for the first violation; 2nd violation is a \$25 fine per day after 3 days; 3rd violation is a \$50 fine per day after day 16; and the final 4th violation after 30 days is a misdemeanor, or up to 6 months in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

Briefly discussed enforcement, or lack of, for municipal codes and ordinances in Riggins. At this time, Councilor Clay voiced his opinion on updating and creating ordinances, and the trashy appearance of city streets. Councilor Wilson stressed the need to find a way to focus on the issue in a calm and organized manner with clear and definitive definitions. Wilson suggested meeting at a special time prior to the regular Council meeting to focus on creating a

junk and nuisance ordinance. Wilson made a motion to table the issue for now, and scheduling a meeting at 5:30 on December 14th to discuss; motion was seconded by Clay. Voting yea, Sampson, Akins, Wilson and Clay. No nays; motion carried.

RIGGINS HOUSING TASK FORCE: Councilor Clay reported that the project is not over and done with; private funding on the site, while highly unlikely, is still an option. Finding an alternate location is also a possibility.

FACILITY RENTAL APPLICATIONS

Community Center Lower Level w/o Kitchen – Freda Stowers, 11/19 from 12-5

PAST DUE WSG ACCOUNTS/UTILITY CHANGES: reviewed

CITY SERVICE ADJUSTMENT REQUEST: Salmon River Community Church Parsonage on North Street submitted a request to adjust the water bill for September to average usage due to a leak in the sprinkler system; used 207,500 gallons in September; system has been shutdown as a result and will not be turned on until fixed, possibly next year. Motion was made by Wilson to approve the billing adjustment on Account 1-60 to average use for September; motion was seconded by Clay. Voting yea, Akins, Wilson, Sampson and Clay. No nays; motion carried.

STIBNITE GOLD PROJECT – Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement: Bob Crump provided a draft comment letter for the Council to consider regarding the Modified Mine Plan with the Burntlog Route; issue will be on the December 14th City Council agenda.

STIBNITE FOUNDATION – DONATION TO SR AMBULANCE DISTRICT: On behalf of the Stibnite Foundation Board President, Bob Crump, presented a donation of \$2,000 to Chief Cody Killmar along with a letter expressing appreciation for the district, and its challenges.

At 7:55 p.m., Councilor Wilson made a motion to enter into Executive Session under Idaho Code 74-206(b) to discuss a personnel issue; motion was seconded by Sampson. Chairperson Akins conducted a roll call vote: Clay–aye; Wilson–aye; Sampson–aye; and Akins–aye.

At 8:18 p.m., Councilor Wilson made a motion to end the Executive Session and resume regular business; motion was seconded by Clay. Chairperson Akins conducted a roll call vote: Clay–aye; Wilson–aye; Sampson–aye; and Akins–aye.

At this time, Councilor Wilson requested that the Clerk update Mayor McClure on the concerns surrounding the Fire Chief and Fire Department, and for the Mayor to meet with the Fire Chief as soon as possible to address these.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Tilley, City Clerk-Treasurer