

CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 140 E Walnut Street, Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 5, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Hermann called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present at the meeting were council members Cody Bailey, Jesse Aherin, and Nyla Roach; Public Works Director Dustin Brinkly, and City Clerk Nikki Pew.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS: Steve and Mary Broemeling

CITIZEN COMMENTS: (comments limited to 3 minutes)

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Cody, seconded by Jesse to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Roach; Ayes, motion carries.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Senior Center Rental Reduction for Church Dinner: Majority of people who attend are from Genesee. The City wants to be cautious because of separation of church and state. Mary said it is more of a community dinner than a church. An inspirational talk is given after the meal, and a prayer is offered, there is a card on each table letting people know they are free to leave before the talk. The meal is free without the necessity of listening to the message. Bill left John a voicemail and said he attended last Wednesday. He thought it was a good community gathering. He would be good with reducing cost to \$25 per meeting. Discussion about the reduced costs for other groups. Cody and Jesse both suggested \$25 per meeting and asked if that would be agreeable. John encourages the citizens who gather to volunteer for Civic Association and Community Day. Cody asked that Mary be the keeper of the key to the Senior Center, so it stays in town with Genesee people. Motion made by Cody, seconded by Jesse to allow the community dinner rental cost to be reduced to \$25 for each event. **Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Roach; ayes, motion carries.**

Verizon Water Tower Lease Update: Andy with Verizon has been informed that we can move forward. It may be a pretty long process. Motion made by Cody, seconded by Nyla to table updates until further information is available. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Roach; ayes, motion carries.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Business License Application – C.K. Excavation: Question regarding zoning needed. Dustin said not necessary because he is already zoned properly. Motion made by Cody, seconded by Jesse to approve business license. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Roach; ayes, motion carries.**

Business License Application - Freedom Roast Café: Jessi Smith will be operating the same hours of Stomping Grounds and sharing the Pastime location with Jim Sims. Motion made by Jesse, seconded by Cody to approve business license. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Roach; ayes, motion carried.**

Direction from Attorney on City Issuance of Right of Way Permits: Got a response from attorney Matthew Johnson on ROW permitting process and what rights the city has for issuing them; the city has the right to refuse permits if public health and welfare or safety are impacted. Cody expressed only having one public line in the ground gives customers the best options by making it easy to choose providers. Because of the risk of hitting other utilities it is best to eliminate redundancy if possible. We are not holding Ziplly out. We are just saying they need to wait until the fiber is in and then they can lease strands to provide service to customers. The only maintenance points Ziplly would have are where their hub ties in. The county is supposed to have a management team in place for maintaining the line. Communication has already been provided to our city; this is a matter of information. Cody emphasized that as a citizen it is important to have choices. John does not believe we can make a decision at this point. Motion made by Cody, seconded by Jesse to have Dustin get in Touch with Matthew Johnson giving him time to research the law and then hold an executive session via call with him. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Roach; ayes, motion carries.**

INTRODUCTION, READINGS AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS: None

CITY OFFICIAL, COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Update: No report

Bill Krick – Water and Sewer Update: Water: Teams meeting on Monday with Merrick. The bid opening for Well 9 will be at 3 pm on Wednesday March 6th at 3 p.m. We are expecting to receive one bid.

Sewer: Hit rock at about 18' on the wet well. Approved an extra for the rock excavation. Will bore underneath the ponds to drain them and send out laterals with tile line. This is just a discussion at this point but will come at a cost. They encountered some springs and need to get the water out. They may have to do a shut down until the weather is nice enough to get back up to the lagoons. The cost of the extended shutdown may be much less than the alternatives of trying to keep moving forward while the ground is soggy. Dustin has requested a cost estimate for a shutdown.

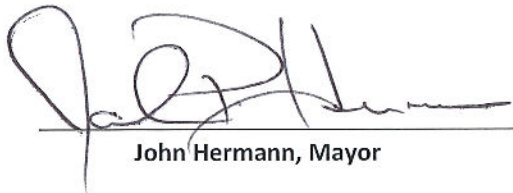
Cody Bailey – Street Update: Possible bids coming in for chip sealing soon.

Jesse Aherin – Administrative Update: Will Inquire about getting a preliminary run through of the audit before it is presented.


Nyla Roach – Parks Update: The RV Sign is up and the train sign from Isaac Bentley is installed. John suggested doing some recognition on Community Day so people can see it. RV Park is officially open for the season. John asked if we need to look at pricing so we can base the price on maintenance and upkeep cost. Nyla asked about football field repair. Dustin said that will be put back together and Western will put the baseball infield back together.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Cody, seconded by Jesse to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. **Voice Vote: ayes, motion carried.**



John Hermann, Mayor



Nikki Pew, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Genesee Sign in Sheet

Date of Meeting 3/5/24

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