

CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 140 E Walnut Street, Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

MAY 7, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Hermann called the regular meeting of the city council to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS: Michelle Stapleton

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Michelle asked what can be done to make the corner of her lot look better. There is an unsightly electrical panel box on the corner of her lot because of the new wastewater lift station. The City is looking at options to beautify it by planting bushes around it. Question about if the lift station had to be placed where it was. Yes, it had to be done in order to be able to service all of those homes.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Business License – Mike Uhlenkott Pump and Electric LLC: Will use Cody Kinyon’s yard as a laydown yard. Items are supposed to be stored in locked containers. City will want to monitor that the site stays tidy. Need to make him aware that he cannot run a commercial business out of his home. Motion made by Cody to approve the business license; seconded by Bill. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Roach; Ayes; Motion carries.**

Zipty Permit Review: Zipty has finally put in a complete permit that was filled out to the extent requested. Cody and Dustin discussed the whether the City should approve or deny the permit. After discussing they thought if the intent is to go with the Latah County Broadband Coalition, it is the best to let Zipty know sooner rather than later that we are not interested in having them do a full build in the City since we are partnered with the Latah County Broadband Coalition. The desired route by Zipty is very similar to the route that the broadband coalition is planning on taking. We are not denying Zipty the ability to be an internet service provider in town, we are just preventing a monopoly and ensuring that any interned service provider can use the fiber to provide service to their customers. Cody expresses that our ROW is so limited that we can only accommodate one strand of fiber underground. The coalition is in the design phase right now and Genesee is in the first phase. They will be doing a full build out of the city of Genesee. We will need to make Zipty aware that they have the right to appeal and present their case in front of City Council. Motion made by Cody to deny Zipty’s permits for the fiber build in town because we are going with the Latah County Broadband Coalition; second by Bill; third by Jesse. Dustin will draft a denial letter to Zipty. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Roach; Ayes; Motion Carries.**

Demolition of Barn off Morscheck Road: Need to start thinking about what we will do with that property when the sewer project is done. Cody mentions that building has some historical value. Nyla said there is a wheel in there that would be of historical value to keep. It appears the building is leaning more and ready to fall down. Motion made by Cody to table until further discussion with Earl Bennet; seconded by Bill. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Roach; Ayes; Motion carries.**

Discontinuation of Subscription to Daily News: This is our paper of record, but we are still able to get affidavits of publication without a subscription. Motion made by Nyla to discontinue subscription; seconded by Bill. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Roach; Ayes; Motion carries.**

INTRODUCTION, READINGS AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS: None

CITY OFFICIAL, COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Update: None

Bill Krick – Water and Sewer Update: Water meeting was cancelled. The sewer project is back and working. One soft spot where there has been a spring. The water in the lagoons is receding nicely. Planning on lining it in August, but possibly as soon as July.

Cody Bailey – Street Update: The sidewalks on Tamarack are looking good. Going to need to do some saw cutting on the asphalt to make the ADA ramps better. Questions about taking more space on the other side of Tamarack to create a little more space. Going to put in for the same grant again and we are hoping to put a sidewalk on the South side of Walnut.

Jesse Aherin – Administrative Update: Tedi Roach is continuing to work on job descriptions. The clerk job description has been reviewed. Next will be the project to work on review goals. Tedi had brought up that we need to improve our safety training. We are working on that.

Nyla Roach – Parks Update: Lots of RV Park reservations. Signed up for Campspot and will try it for a year. Many kids are enjoying new playground. Going to make a plaque to thank the Civic Association for their donation.

Dustin Brinkly – Public Works Update: Posted a seasonal maintenance helper position. Just have it posted around town. Hoping to find someone local.

Nikki Pew – Clerk's Update: NW Media will hopefully have an update for the new website by the next meeting. We have some utility billing customers that would appreciate getting to use level pay. Discussion about that being an option that the City could offer.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Cody to adjourn; seconded by Nyla. **Voice Vote: Ayes; Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.**



John Hermann, Mayor



Nikki Pew, City Clerk/Treasurer

City of Genesee Sign in Sheet

Date of Meeting _____

Name	Address	Email	Male/Female M or F	Disabled Y/N	Do you wish to Speak? Y/N
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