

CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 140 E Walnut Street, Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 20, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER – The regular meeting of the City Council and public hearing were opened concurrently at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Hermann.

ROLL CALL: Present at the meeting were council members Cody Bailey, Jesse Aherin, Nyla Roach, and Bill Krick (arrived at 6:07 p.m.); Public Works Director Dustin Brinkly, and City Clerk Nikki Pew.

PUBLIC HEARING: FY2024-25 Annual Appropriation Public hearing: The public hearing was opened at 6:00 p.m. and closed at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Hermann. No residents attended the public hearing.

VISITORS: None

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: FY2024-2025 Budget Hearing and approval of tentative budget: Discussion about water and sewer user rates. The fire bond funds will be used up prior to the new fiscal year, so those have been removed from the budget. Motion made by Cody to accept FY2024-2025 as presented; seconded by Bill. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Roach; ayes; motion carries.**

Distribution of ARPA funds: Motion needs to be made to obligate SLFRF ARPA funds. Motion made by Jesse To meet the SLFRF obligation requirement as of December 31, 2024, that the salary positions City Clerk/Treasurer, Public Works Director, Maintenance Supervisor, and Maintenance Worker (created and filled as of 12/31/2024), and the City's desire to formally approve the use of the funds for the salaries (and related benefits) of City Clerk, Public Works Director, Maintenance Supervisor, and Maintenance Worker positions for the period beginning October 2024 until the funds are depleted. Approved amounts per fund are as follows: General Fund \$17,568, Street Fund \$20,000, Parks Fund \$10,000, Water Fund \$80,000, and Sewer Fund \$80,000; seconded by Cody. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Roach; ayes; motion carries.**

Employee health insurance benefits cost sharing: Employees were told that dependents coverage would be covered 50% by the city and then upon trying to enroll were told the benefits were 100% on the employees. Cody said last time this discussion happened the city said they would be willing to cost share the dependents in lieu of raises, but it was turned down by most of the employees at that time. John requests to table discussion until more information is available. Suggestion to look into HSA plans as well. Motion made by Cody to table until more information is available; seconded by Jesse. **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: Thanked Nikki and Dustin for help and support with water and wastewater projects.

Bill Krick – Water and Sewer Update: Still planning on beginning Well 9 drilling after Labor Day. Funding is looking tight on both projects we will need to be conservative with what we spend. **Sewer:** Seeding of the overland flow is reverting to the city. Speaking with neighboring farmers about leasing the land each year and growing a crop on it. Using well 3 to get water up to the site. USDA is attempting to close the bond and place remaining funds in a restricted fund and will help decrease the interest bleeding that is happening.

Cody Bailey – Street Update: Chip seal completed last week and looks good. The city will start sweeping tomorrow and a fog coat will be put on top next week.

Jesse Aherin – Administrative Update: None

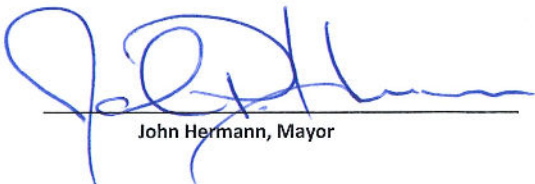
Nyla Roach – Parks Update: None

Dustin Brinkly- Public Works Update: Thursday at 2:45 USDA will be touring Well 8. Adjustment of the flood plain is moving forward.

Nikki Pew-Clerk's Update: Made some inquiries with AIC about fund usage will bring updates when they are available.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Cody to adjourn; seconded by Jesse. **Voice Vote: ayes; motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.**



John Hermann, Mayor



Nikki Pew, City Clerk/Treasurer