

CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 140 E Walnut Street, Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 17, 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.

PUBLIC HEARING WATER RATE INCREASE: Mayor Hermann opened the Public hearing at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present at the meeting were council members Jesse Aherin, Bill Krick, and Nyla Roach; Public Works Director Dustin Brinkly. Council member Cody Bailey and City Clerk Nikki Pew were not present.

VISITORS: Lori Callahan and Susan Gordon

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Susan Gordon expressed concerns about her responsibility to remove snow from the new sidewalk installed in 2024 on Tamarack St. adjacent to her property at 112 S. Tamarack, with no greenspace between the sidewalk and street she is concerned the City snowplow will deposit excessive snow on the walk that she will be responsible to remove. Dustin said he believes there is enough room to store the snow on the street and keep it off the sidewalk.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Bill to accept the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Jesse. **Roll Call Vote: Aherin, Krick, Roach; ayes; motion carries**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dave Wager Memorial: Dustin informed council the Rec. District has approved installing a memorial bench outside the fence at the northwest corner of the baseball field on Rec. District property. Council discussed installing another bench for Former Mayor Steve Odenborg. Council was presented with 5 benches to choose from, Nyla and Dustin will meet at the site to determine which bench will work best. Motion made by Krick to table until more information is available; seconded by Roach. **Roll Call Vote: Aherin, Krick, Roach; ayes; motion carries.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Rate Increase: Bill Krick discussed the need to increase Water User Fee to \$38.88 to cover the bond obligations/payments that may begin in the next fiscal year. The per gallon rates would also increase to cover the increased costs of water system operation and maintenance. The Base Rate would increase to \$12.00 which would include the first 1000 gallons. Susan Gordon asked how much her water bill would increase. Aherin indicated the minimum bill would increase by \$4.44 per month.

Proposed increase to per gallon tier rates:

1001-5000 gal	@ \$2.00 per thousand gal.
5001-10,000 gal	@ \$2.25 per thousand gal.
10,001-20,000 gal	@ \$2.50 per thousand gal.
20,001-30,000 gal	@ \$2.75 per thousand gal.
30,000+	@ \$3.00 per thousand gal.

Aherin made motion to adopt the proposed fee increase seconded by Roach. **Roll Call Vote: Aherin, Roach, Krick; ayes; motion carries.**

Public Meeting Closed at 6:45 p.m.

Lori Callahan Encroachment Request: Lori requested an encroachment agreement allowing a fence to be installed that would encompass the alley adjacent to her property on the north side. It was identified the property north of the alley is for sale and future owners may need access to the utilities in the alley or need the alley developed for access. Motion made by Krick to deny the encroachment agreement; seconded by Aherin. **Roll Call Vote: Aherin, Krick, Roach; ayes; motion carries.**

Business License: Geras, LLC dba Family Resource Home Care: Motion made by Krick to approve license; seconded by Aherin. **Roll Call Vote: Aherin, Krick, Roach; ayes; motion Carries.**

INTRODUCTION, READINGS AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Appropriations Ordinance Number Correction- 430 instead of 429: Mayor Hermann explained the ordinance number had not been changed when the appropriations ordinance was adopted and needed to updated to #430. Motion made by Aherin to make correction; seconded by Krick. **Roll Call Vote: Aherin, Krick, Roach; ayes; motion carries.**

CITY OFFICIAL, COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Update: USDA has agreed close the portion of the bond that is complete at this time and pay off the construction loan with P1FCU to avoid interest on that portion of the bond. USDA will finance the remaining construction for the duration of the water project

Bill Krick – Water and Sewer Update: Sewer: The City is considering options to help stabilize the wastewater construction project site as it is apparent there may be some erosion issues over the winter/spring with no established vegetation to stop erosion. We are waiting for cost estimates for the proposed work. Well Driller for well #9 is scheduled to arrive 9/23/24.

Cody Bailey – Street Update: Not Present

Jesse Aherin – Administrative Update: Jesse indicated he would like to create an Organizational Chart to clarify roles of City staff and would appreciate input from other council members.


Nyla Roach – Parks Update: No report.

Dustin Brinkly- Public Works Update: Road striping will take place in the next 30 days.

Nikki Pew-Clerk's Update: Not present

CORRESPONDENCE: None

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



John Hermann, Mayor



Dustin Brinkly, Public Works Director

City of Genesee Sign in Sheet

Date of Meeting 9/17/24

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| 2. | Susan Gordon | | F | N | Y gordenvamp@gmail.com |
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