

August 26, 2009

Victor City Hall

**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

Mayor Scott Fitzgerald called the meeting to order. Councilmen present were David Kearsley, Johnny Ziem, and David Bergart.

The amended minutes of the August 12th council meeting were motioned and seconded for approval. The ayes were unanimous.

The amended minutes of the July 23rd council meeting were motioned and seconded for approval. The ayes were unanimous.

Susan Fenger- Grant Writer- Monthly Update

Grant Writer Susan Fenger updated the Council with a grant application being submitted through the Idaho Department of Lands. The grant is for \$30,000.00 to landscape around the proposed Transit Center in Pioneer Park. Mrs. Fenger also is working on a grant for the scenic byways and a grant from LHTAC (Local Highway Technical Assistance Council). There is also a grant through the Historic District down town that can be applied. Some of these grants may be tied together. Mrs. Fenger informed the Council that details of the Energy Block Grants coming out of the Stimulus Funding are still not available. However, the City should perform an energy audit on its buildings and streetlights in order to be prepared for this Grant. Fall River does the audits and we're on their radar.

Mrs. Fenger will be attending a web cast training for block grants. The training will teach how to look for them and apply for them.

The Friends of the Tetons received a grant for low impact landscaping. The City will receive \$3,000 to be used for landscaping around the new Ice Rink Facility and Transit Center.

Public Hearing – 2009-10 Budget

Mayor Fitzgerald went through the proper procedures to commence the beginning of this public hearing. Proper notice was given and no conflict of interest exists with any Council member.

The Mayor then opened the hearing up for public comment. There was no one present that gave comment. The public comment portion of the hearing was then closed.

The subject was then turned over to the Council for deliberation.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 2009-10 budget as posted. The ayes were unanimous.

ICRIMP- Craig Chandler

Council asked Criag Chandler to attend the meeting to answer some insurance questions. Mr. Chandler defined ICRIMP and their policies to the Council. Mr. Chandler informed the Council about un-enforced ordinances and the problem they can cause the City of Victor. A discussion was held in regards to the different insurance issues that can come up: liability, contract disputes, city sponsorship, etc. The City is covered, but sponsoring entities are not.

P&Z – Open Position- Interview

Mayor Fitzgerald and Council interviewed Lynn Bagley for an opening on P&Z in the impact area.

Mayor Fitzgerald and Council interviewed Joel Jenkins for an opening on P&Z in city limits.

Council has a discussion regarding the applicants.

A motion was made and seconded to approve Lynn Bagley for P&Z within the impact area. The ayes were unanimous.

A motion was made and seconded to approve Zach Smith for P&Z within the city limits. The ayes were unanimous.

Water Rights- Rob Heuseveldt

City Engineer Rob Heuseveldt received a fax from IDWR (Idaho Department of Water Rights) in regards to the water rights of the city well in the Game Creek area 22-13717. IDWR gives a deadline for the city (October 1, 2009) to begin construction on the well in order to keep the water rights. Mr. Heuseveldt asked Council permission to transfer the rights to the North Well (22-13265) already under construction. The application costs \$50.00 to transfer the rights from one location to another. Council approved Mr. Heuseveldt to apply for the transfer of the water rights in order to not loose them. Mr. Heuseveldt informed the Council that the City will need to IDWR that we are moving towards completing the North Well in order to have the transfer accepted and the City has to show IDWR this by April 1, 2010.

Mr. Heuseveldt updated the Council with the Teton Springs and the Timberline lawsuit.

Mayor Fitzgerald gave the Council an update to the sewer meeting with Driggs.

Transportation Plan – Draft Review

City Planner Bill Knight updated the Council of the draft transportation plan. Mayor Fitzgerald created a list of the uncompleted items on the original proposal from Carol Landsman hired to do the traffic study. Council asked Mr. Knight to consolidate the comments and concerns from the Council and P&Z to giveback to the Council for discussion. Council feels the draft is not complete. One of Bill's concerns is the lack of access to numerous areas of the city.

Discussion regarding alleyways

Mr. Knight has a concern regarding the alley by the Knotty Pine. Adjacent property owner, Mark Neumann has applied for a lot split and has no access to the property except the alley that has not been dedicated for public use, therefore, insurance liability would fall on owners of the alley. Council feels that a survey needs to be done and the alley needs to be dedicated to the city for public use. Council asked that Mr. Neumann take care of the survey work to begin the process in order to have the lot split approved. Council asked Mr. Knight to create a map of the property owners and figure out how much the survey and quick claim process will cost. Council asked Mr. Knight to meet with all the owners involved to explain what needs to happen to have it dedicated for public use and improves it to City specifications.

Resort Tax

Council discussed the Resort Tax Ordinance #09-0826.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Resort Tax Ordinance #09-0826. The ayes were unanimous.

A motion was made and seconded to suspend the rule to read the ordinance in three separate meetings. The ayes were unanimous.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the resolution to add the resort tax ordinance # R-09-0826 to the ballot on the November 3rd, 2009 election. The ayes were unanimous. Council discussed the need for a press release and follow up with meetings.

Eagle Scout Project- Flag Pole in City Park on Main

Public Works Director Scott Golden gave the Council estimates from Nathan Thompson for an eagle scout project proposed for the City Park on Main Street. Mr. Thompson has asked the Council to pay for the part for him to replace the flagpole in the City Park. Council would like to have Mr. Thompson attend a Council meeting and help raise some of the funds to do the Eagle Scout project.

Maintenance

Mr. Golden had 13 applications for the open position in Public Works. Council approved Mr. Golden to hire Nate Beard.

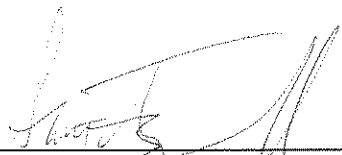
Council discussed the estimate for a maintenance agreement with Neptune. Council asked Amy Underwood to find out if ICRIMP will cover the same items as the proposed agreement. Ms. Underwood will report back to Council.

Mr. Golden gave a cost estimate to the Council to spray epoxy into the manholes to prevent any further damage from H2S. The cost is between \$4,500 and \$5,000 per manhole if done before November (due to the winter season). Council approved Mr. Golden to have the work done before winter to keep the cost down.

Bills

A motion was made, seconded and the ayes were unanimous to pay the bills. The meeting was then adjourned.



Craig Sherman, City Clerk

Scott Fitzgerald, Mayor