

Record of Proceedings

March 5, 2024

The Council met at their regular meeting on March 5, 2024 at city hall.

Mayor Arnzen presided

Council Members Present:

Mark Bovey

Levi Bovey

Shandrie Stigum

David Osburn

City Employees present: City Clerk, Jackie Robinson and Maintenance Bob Samsel. Visitors present; Jason Davis with Lewis County Sherrif's office, Mariah Miller and Dodd Snodgrass with CEDA, John Watson with JUB, Dick Randall and Jim Riggers with WRFD.

Motion was to open the meeting made by Councilmember Osburn and seconded by L. Bovey. Motion made to approve the minutes as presented for both regular meeting and special meeting, made by councilmember M. Bovey and seconded by L. Bovey M/C.

Jason Davis Lewis County Sherrif's Office is here to welcome new mayor and council. Jason is open to questions and concerns. Jason gives a quick brief on this year's city calls.

WRFD is here to discuss their contract. The city has paid off the fire house and they would like their contract decreased as their payment was to help offset what the city has to pay. Currently WRFD pays \$1,000 per month. The council will discuss this and get back to them.

CEDA is here with the Cares Grant Contract. Their plans are to put the project out to bid in November with construction in 2025. Motion made to approve the contract by M. Bovey and seconded by L. Bovey, all in favor M/C.

JUB discusses the TAP bid opening and reviews the two bids, recommended awarding Knife River base bid only. Motion made by Councilman L. Bovey to award Knife River base bid only seconded by councilman Osburn, all in favor M/C. Knife River would also like to start this project early, if possible, council is agreeable to an early start date.

JUB states that the city will need to pick a design consultant for the remainder of the TAP project, council reviews the approved engineers, council pick three from the list; Salaber, Forsgren, and Welch with Salaber being the #1 choice. Motion made by Councilman M. Bovey and seconded by L. Bovey. All in favor M/C.

JUB discusses CPS project, bid opening was today and no bids received. JUB has spoken with Knife River and they are willing to submit a quote. Motion made by councilman M. Bovey to allow Knife River to submit a quote seconded by L. Bovey, all in favor M/C.

JUB moves to the LRHIP and LTGP project. There will be a design meeting next week with bids to go out this spring. Discussion on allowing construction in either 2024 or 2025 contractors choice.

JUB then discusses the Airport project. The plan is to bid this in the spring with the LRHIP and LTGP. Discussion again on allowing construction in 2024 or 2025 contractors choice.

JUB discusses the Cares Grant Park project contract. Council is agreeable to the contract as presented by JUB.

Resolution 1077 Paul Trust property – survey has not been completed yet, Councilman Osburn makes a motion to approve Resolution 1077 pending recorded survey, seconded by L. Bovey, all in favor M/C.

Resolution 1076 shredding records – motion made by Councilman M. Bovey and seconded by Councilman Osborn, all in favor M/C.

Boyer Field – Still need actual acres injected.

WRFD council discusses the WRFD contract and would like to see \$500.00 per month. Motion made by Councilmember Stigum and seconded by M. Bovey all in favor, M/C. Council would like clerk to present this to WRFD. Council states this is still open for negotiation.

WCPA – Annual benefit dinner is March 9th; they would like to use the Fire Station as well as the tables and chairs. WCPA is requesting a catering permit for this event. The city pays for city employees and QRU and Fire volunteers. Motion made to approve WCPA requests by Councilman L. Bovey and seconded by M. Bovey, all in favor M/C.

Clerk Report – Second order of table and chairs are in. Some of the old table and chairs will be stored at the firehouse. With the table and chair order the city got free set of coffee cups which the city will donate to WCPA for their benefit dinner.

Budget will need to be amended to add all the grants that the city has been awarded with a few other changes. Public hearing will be set for April 2, 2024.

Elaine Landers continues to complain to city attorney about neighbor's property. Property conditions have not changed since last complaint, no action at this time.

Lynn Dugger still has no water, lien was placed on her property, may need a welfare check as she has gone several months with no water.

LTGP grant came in \$733,000 approval from council to move to LGIP account.

Maintenance report – Bob would like approval to extend the inside of the shop so he can get the doors closed when he has the fire trucks in the shop. Bob estimates about \$600-700 to do this project. Council is agreeable.

Councilmember L. Bovey has no new report on streets.

Councilmember Stigum has no new fire report.

Councilmember Osburn has no report on public utilities but would like to discuss the old street signs. He would like to know if the city can take the old signs down since there are the newer green signs.

Councilmember M. Bovey discussed replacing trees and water location at the cemetery. Discussion on getting an estimate for sprinkler system and tree removal and limbing. The buildings continue to be discussed, they need fixed or replaced. Shelly is working on getting names of family members with headstones that need reset.

Motion to pay the bills and adjourn the meeting made by Councilmember Osburn and seconded by Stigum, all in favor, M/C.

Jared Arzen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jackie Robinson, City Clerk