

CITY GRACE, IDAHO MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD AT CITY HALL MARCH 19, 2025

PRESENT: Mayor: Jackie Barthlome

Council Members: Kimi Lowe, Kathy Tillotson, Curtis Toone

Superintendent: Riley Crookston

Clerk: Shelley Reeves

OTHERS PRESENT: Zoning Commission Member Lee Wilkerson, Annie Brower, Fire Chief Curtis Peck

Mayor Barthlome called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmember Lowe gave the invocation.

Clerk Reeves led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on March 5, 2025 were discussed. Motion to accept the minutes as written for 3/5/25 was made by Councilmember Tillotson. Councilmember Lowe seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills in the amount of \$17,503.09 and payroll in the amount of \$15,066.11 were reviewed for payment approval. Councilmember Lowe moved that the bills be approved as reviewed. Councilmember Toone seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Fire Chief Peck reported that the fire department has been called to the junior high a couple of times because of the furnaces overheating. The junior high just had new furnaces installed and they are still in the process of getting them calibrated. He stated that the calls have been good training for the department to learn about the new system. The firefighters have been doing training, and it has been going well. The state made some changes to their reporting system, and it deleted some reports that had been made. Lara Peck is working on figuring out how to get them put back in. The internet is working at the fire station again, but the sign is still having problems connecting to the internet. Lara is working with Stewart Signs to figure it out.

The zoning map was discussed. After the last meeting and looking at it closer it doesn't make sense to change the zoning of 4th East to the canal from Center Street to 4th North because the line that was proposed would split properties. The city council decided to leave that section R2 Residential as it is currently. The zoning commission will hold a public hearing on the zoning map amendment at their meeting on May 8th. The city council will need to hold a public hearing as well, after the zoning commission presents their recommendations.

The certificate of deposit (CD) for the center street bridge project is coming due on April 3. The project won't be started until fall but there will be some expenses from the engineer before it gets started. Mayor Barthlome called the engineers, and they said that if there was \$150,000.00 available that should cover what would be needed in the next 6 months. Councilmember Tillotson moved to put

\$150,000.00 of the CD into the savings account, and to renew the CD for 6 months with the remaining funds. Councilmember Lowe seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Barthlome read the proclamation declaring April 5-11, 2025, as the Week of the Young Child. Councilmember Toone moved to approve the proclamation. Councilmember Tillotson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The lease with 3C Wireless was discussed. Councilmember Lowe had some questions such as whether this would affect the city's liability insurance. She questioned the proposed amount of \$50.00 per month for the lease. She asked if it would cause a problem if Mr. Crandall was allowed to lease a piece of property from the city and profit from it, would it show favoritism or would the city then be required to let anyone that came and asked to lease a piece of property. She also asked if his internet would interfere with other internet providers in the area. She also felt that a five-year lease was too long. Councilmember Tillotson shared many of the same concerns. Councilmember Toone was in favor of the city signing the lease. Clerk Reeves will share the questions that were discussed with Attorney Wood, and the issue will be discussed at the next meeting.

Superintendent Crookston reported that he had picked up the new garbage cans and taken a bunch down to be recycled. Some of the cans will be eligible for some refunds due to them being under warranty. The company will look at them and see what they are eligible for and issue the refund or give a discount to the city next time garbage cans are purchased. GSE is back working on the sewer project after their winter shutdown. The employees got the water line run for the grit removal system. They are waiting for it to warm up and dry out before they will have a crane come in and set it. Right now, they are hoping to install the week of April 17th. There has been a dog from outside of the city limits coming into town. The city has issued one ticket, but there have still been problems with the dog running around the city. Superintendent Crookston has contacted the Sheriff's office and asked them to take over the case.

Mayor Barthlome thanked the employees for all of their hard work at the sewer plant. She reported that Caribou County has the all-hazard mitigation plan done. The city council needs to go through it and then the city needs to accept it with a resolution.

Councilmember Toone reported that some of the new concrete work done in front of A-Plus Automotive has cracked. He questioned if there is a warranty on any of that work.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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