

CITY GRACE, IDAHO MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING HELD AT CITY HALL JANUARY 15, 2025

PRESENT: Mayor: Jackie Barthlome

Council Members: Kimi Lowe, Kathy Tillotson, Curtis Toone, Kyle Bingham

Lead Man: Riley Crookston Clerk: Shelley Reeves

OTHERS PRESENT: Jake Wright, Colt Simmons, Seth Gerber, Andrew Millward

Mayor Barthlome called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Councilmember Bingham moved that the board, pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1)(a)&(b) convene in executive session at 5:00 p.m. to consider the hiring of a Maintenance Worker. Councilmember Tillotson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Councilmember Lowe – yea, Councilmember Tillotson – yea, Councilmember Toone – yea, and Councilmember Bingham – yea. The roll call vote was unanimous.

The council conducted interviews with applicants for the position of Maintenance Worker.

The executive session was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Mayor Barthlome called the public hearing to order at 6:04 p.m.

Mayor Barthlome asked those attending to state their names. They were as follows: Jackie Barthlome, Riley Crookston, Kimi Lowe, Kathy Tillotson, Curtis Toone, Kyle Bingham Shelley Reeves, Larry Thomas, Dana McCurdy, Seth Gerber, Kent Loosle, Erika Dannelly, Brandon Hall, Jake Wright

Mayor Barthlome stated that the purpose of the public hearing was to hear comments on the amendment to Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget, adding \$250,000.00 that was budgeted last year for the sidewalk project but wasn't expended until this year.

Mayor Barthlome called for comments on the amended budget. There were no comments.

Mayor Barthlome called for comments from the council. There were no comments.

Mayor Barthlome closed the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

OTHERS PRESENT: Zoning Commission Member Larry Thomas, Kent Loosle, Dana McCurdy, Brandon Hall, Erika Dannelly, Matt Loertscher, Shane Hamilton, Cooper Hamilton

Councilmember Tillotson gave the invocation.

Clerk Reeves led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on December 18, 2024 were discussed. Motion to accept the minutes as written for 12/18/2024 was made by Councilmember Lowe. Councilmember Tillotson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills in the amount of \$27,879.92 and payroll in the amounts of \$11,835.00 and \$13,61.82 were reviewed for payment approval. Councilmember Toone moved that the bills be approved as reviewed. Councilmember Tillotson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Barthlome reported there was a house fire on Monday early in the morning. It was caused by electrical wiring. Seven firefighters responded with 3 trucks and were able to extinguish the fire. Fire Chief Peck asked Mayor Barthlome to relay the message that the fire department was very pleased with the city crew for having the fire hydrants cleaned out.

Zoning Commission Member Larry Thomas reported that Ralph Spackman had stepped down from the zoning commission. He let the city council know that the zoning map they had given to the city council was ready for the city council to approve. There was a discussion about advertising on Facebook and around town for a new member to join the zoning commission. Clerk Reeves will work with Deputy Clerk Phillips to get something out.

Clerk Reeves read the ordinance to amend Ordinance #2024-4, the appropriations ordinance, in full. Councilmember Tillotson moved to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Bingham seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Councilmember Lowe – yea, Councilmember Tillotson – yea, Councilmember Toone – yea, and Councilmember Bingham – yea. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance will be numbered 2025-1.

Councilmember Bingham moved to approve employees Jake Wright and Shane Hamilton to attend the Idaho Rural Water Association conference in Boise in the spring. Councilmember Lowe seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The zoning commission has many new members that could use some training. Mayor Barthlome suggested that they have Attorney Wood come give them a refresher course on how to hold a meeting, public hearing, and the roles of the zoning commission. Councilmember Toone moved to approve Attorney Wood giving a training to the zoning commission. Councilmember Bingham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk Reeves read a resolution to approve the destruction of records in full. Councilmember Lowe moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Bingham seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Councilmember Lowe – yea, Councilmember Tillotson – yea, Councilmember Toone – yea, and Councilmember Bingham – yea. The roll call vote was unanimous. The resolution will be numbered 2025-1.

There was a discussion about the applicants that were interviewed during the executive session. Superintendent Crookston requested that the applicants be asked to come back and spend some time with him in the field so he could get a better feel of how they might fit in, and what their background is before and then bring them to the next city council meeting to do a second interview before making a final decision. The city council approved the request.

Superintendent Crookston reported that the BOD probe needed to be replaced at a cost of \$1600.00. The employees have been keeping busy in the shop.

Mayor Barthlome thanked the employees and Clerk Reeves for all of their hard work.

Mayor Barthlome turned the time to Kent Loosle from Caribou Medical Center (CMC). Mr. Loosle thanked Councilmember Toone for serving on the board of the Caribou Medical Center. He gave an update on the Grace Clinic. He stated that the survey on the property has been scheduled, and architecture and planning should begin soon. He reported that there are 2 new providers at CMC. Lance Bryce is a general surgeon and Amy Fisher a physician's assistant who helps with pain management. He reported that in total there are 9 new providers that come to CMC to help the community. He also talked about the surgery robots that CMC is lucky enough to provide. The Davinci 5 in particular is the 1st one in the state of Idaho, Utah, Nevada, and several other surrounding states. These robots aid in the precision of surgeries and help in the recovery of patients.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

CLERK

Mayor Salthome