

# MINUTES–CITY OF ASHTON

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

7:00 p.m.

714 Main (North Entrance)

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*The purpose of the Agenda is to assist the Council and interested citizens in the conduct of the public meeting. Careful review of the Agenda is encouraged. Testimony from the public will be solicited for any item or issue listed under the category of **Public Hearings**. The Mayor will not normally allow audience participation at any other time. Idaho Law prohibits council action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance.*

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### CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

**PRAYER OFFERED BY: Teresa Hansen**  
**PLEDGE LED BY: Jerry Funke**

**In Attendance:** Teddy Stronks, Teresa Hansen, Tadd Atchley, Jerry Funke and Tom Mattingly.

**Also in attendance:** City Clerk Stegelmeier, City Attorney Angell, Rachel Hatton, Delray Jensen, Michelle O'Malley, Kyle Baldwin, Sara Bowersox, Sheryl Hill and Marvin Fielding.

**Mayor Stronks welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7:01 pm.**

### 1. CONSENT AGENDA:

*Being considered routine by the City Council, these items will be enacted by one motion unless requested by a Councilman or a citizen that one or more items be removed for later discussion.*

- A. **Minutes** – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes 12-13-2017
- B. **Treasurers Report** - As Submitted
- C. **Payables** – Bills for Council approval as a result of City expenditures
- D. **Employee Expenses** – As submitted
- E. **Budget Report** – Worksheet showing the revenues and expenditures for the current fiscal year to date

Councilman Atchley made a motion that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Councilwoman Funke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### 2. PRESENTATIONS, CEREMONIES, APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Thank You to Outgoing Council Member – Mayor Stronks  
Councilwoman Harrigfeld was not present at the meeting. Mayor Stronks expressed his appreciation for her service.
- B. Newly Elected Officials Oath of Office – City Clerk Stegelmeier  
City Clerk Stegelmeier administered the oath to Councilman Atchley then Councilman Mattingly.
- C. State of the City Address – Mayor Stronks  
Mayor Stronks welcomed back Councilman Atchley and the new Councilman Mattingly to the council. He then read aloud his State of the City Address.

### 3. UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS:

*Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of 5 minutes unless repeat testimony is requested by the Mayor/Council.*

- A. Sewer Project Update – Marvin Fielding, Jaden Jackson  
Jaden Jackson is here to fill in for Marvin Fielding who could not attend the meeting. He first gave a progress report explaining that the aerators are working and the piping is complete to the new pond area. He explained that everything will be installed and ready for the discharge of effluent. A change order will be needed in order to construct the road properly. This change order will be for 185 x 15 feet of fabric and a larger 36 inch culvert. Another change order will be coming soon to add another 270 feet of fabric. The change order for approval of the Council tonight will cost \$4,738. A third change order is also in the work to add some additional cable floats to keep the wires on the pond items out of the ice.

Councilman Atchley made a motion to approve the change order to for fabric and culverts for \$ 4,738. Councilman Funke seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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- B. Transportation Plan Update – Marvin Fielding, Jaden Jackson  
Jaden reported that the background work, etc. is ready to put in the update. Now is the point to get an advisory committee. They will also be inviting others like the school district, etc. to be involved. They will need to start getting this together in February. There will be some work that will need to be completed after the thaw this spring.
- C. Collaboration with AURA, City and Ashton Memorial – Shon Shuldberg  
Shon is here to talk to the Council about a discussion he has had with the Ashton Urban Renewal Agency (AURA) concerning the sidewalk project they are considering. Ashton Memorial is planning to replace the Ashton Medical Clinic building this year. They will be doing some excavation on the property and will have some surplus fill dirt that would be available to the City/AURA to help with the project. The new Ashton Medical Clinic is slated for completion by November 1<sup>st</sup>. Mayor Stronks thanked Shon for his time.
- D. Flashing School Lights – Fremont County Schools Superintendent Byron Stutzman, Chief Griffel  
Byron Stutzman met with the Idaho Transportation Department concerning reducing the speed from the City limit on Main Street to the corner of the school property. The ITD will pay for signage but they will not pay for any lights like the caution lights that are near the elementary school. The school district has purchased something like them in St. Anthony and they cost approximately \$ 7000. Byron is asking if the City would be willing to pay half the costs of the lights. Councilman Atchley expressed his opinion that lights would be a good idea. Byron will come back to the City with the costs, etc.
- E. Conditional Use Permit Addition to Code – City Clerk Stegelmeier.  
City Clerk Stegelmeier explained that the notice did not get published as planned so the public hearing will need to be moved to February's meeting.

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS/PETITIONS:**

*Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of 5 minutes unless repeat testimony is requested by the Mayor/Council.*

- A. Liquor License Application – City Clerk Stegelmeier, Shanelle Garcia, Chief Griffel  
City Clerk Stegelmeier explained that Ott's Place had lost their state, county & City licenses because they did not re-apply in September. This applicant, Shanelle Garcia & her husband Sergio, have applied and will soon receive copies of their state & county licenses as required by the Ashton City Code. Shanelle explained that the bar will now be located at the Opera House on Fremont Street. The bar will be called The Old Opera House Saloon. Mayor Stronks explained to Shanelle that he has had some people talk to him because they are worried about the noise, etc. from the bar. Shanelle explained that she runs a bar in St. Anthony with homes above and has learned how to make sure that noise, etc. is at a minimum. She does things differently – no fighting, she takes away keys, she just doesn't want that risk out there. She always employs two bouncers. Councilman Funke asked Ashton P&Z Administrator Baldwin if the Opera House was located in the proper zone for this application. Administrator Baldwin excused himself to check but returned to explain that it is in the Community Core Zone which is a commercial zone and allows for this sort of use. Councilman Atchley inquired as to why she didn't want the same location – Ott's Place. Shanelle explained that the Ott's Place building is in litigation. She explained that it only makes sense to move it back to that location following the litigation but that she has to be open to keep the license. She has only done a 6 month lease on the Opera House location. Chief Griffel asked if she is planning on having concerts or any of that stuff. She explained that if they do it will not be a big deal. She runs the bar because she doesn't want anything getting out of hand. Chief Griffel is concerned because the Opera House is surrounded by residential areas. In the past dances/etc. and any noise will echo. He explained that she will need to be careful because the City does have a noise ordinance. Shanelle explained that she wants to make sure that everything is in compliance. She would like to bring it back to the

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old style billiards theme – with pool tables, darts and a juke box. Maybe bring in bands in the summer time. Chief Griffel is concerned that they may have to be responding every 10 minutes. Shanelle doesn't want them there either. She doesn't tolerate bad behavior. Chief Griffel said that is what they like to see. He is hoping to work well with her. Detective Owens asked about if they have been approved for fire code. Shanelle said yes and that they already have everything insured. It will be a while before they can open the saloon.

Councilman Atchley made a motion to approve the liquor license contingent on receipt of state and county license. Councilman Funke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. American Dog Derby – John Scafe

John explained that even without much snow, the committee is still planning the year's race. He said 'Hats off to the City'. For their help last season. They are planning to do the Mesa Falls loop if there is still not enough snow. They are talking about some new events. John says they have openings for volunteers. The committee meetings are Tuesday nights at the Main Office.

C. Scheduling – City Clerk Stegelmeier

City Clerk Stegelmeier went over the schedule with the Council.

### 5. COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

*Councilmembers will bring items to be discussed with the other Councilmembers & Mayor. No action should be taken on these items as they have not been specifically listed on the agenda.*

Councilman Funke explained that for the Transportation plan, they may want to consider dust abatement on the railroad road, etc.

### 6. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Atchley made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Hansen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**The meeting ended at 8:13 pm.**

### **NEXT MEETING**

- ♦ Regular Council 7:00 p.m. – Wednesday, February 14, 2018, Council Chambers, Ashton City Building – 714 Main, Ashton.
- ♦ Questions concerning items appearing on these Agendas or requests for accommodation of special needs to participate in the meetings should be addressed to the Office of the City Clerk or call 208-652-3987.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cathy Stegelmeier, City Clerk.

Attest

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Cathy Stegelmeier  
City Clerk

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Theo R. Stronks  
Mayor