

MINUTES–CITY OF ASHTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, November 2, 2016

7:00 p.m.

714 Main (North Entrance)

*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.*

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

PRAYER OFFERED BY: Tadd Atchley
PLEDGE LED BY: Becky Harrigfeld

In Attendance: Teddy Stronks, Teresa Hansen, Becky Harrigfeld, Tadd Atchley and Jerry Funke.

Also in attendance: City Clerk Stegelmeier, City Attorney Angell, Todd Martindale, Delray Jensen, Rick Miller, Sheryl Hill, Marvin Fielding and John Scafe.

Mayor Stronks opened the meeting at 7:01 pm.

1. AMEND AGENDA:

Any items added less than forty eight (48) hours prior to the meeting are added by Council motion at this time.

6. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS: B. Resolution 16-02 Fair Housing (update) – Rick Miller, City Clerk Stegelmeier

Councilwoman Funke made a motion to amend the agenda by adding to item 6. **NEW BUSINESS/PETITIONS: B: Parade.** Councilman Harrigfeld seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

2. 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 Council Meeting Minutes 10-12-2016.
- B. **Treasurers Report & Financial Statement**– 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 to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilman Harrigfeld seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

3. PRESENTATIONS, CEREMONIES, APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Veteran’s Day Proclamation – Mayor Stronks
Mayor Stronks has proclaimed the 11th of November as Veteran’s Day in the city of Ashton. He expressed his gratitude for our country’s veterans and encouraged everyone to show their thanks by honoring them on November 11th.

4. PUBLIC HEARING:

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

- A. Idaho Community Block Grant Application – Rick Miller
Mayor Stronks asked Rick Miller to explain the purpose of the public hearing. Rick gave some background information by explaining the City’s need in meeting new DEQ standards. This need has made it necessary to do an update of the current sewer system. The City has done a study which estimates the costs to do the update at over 5 million. This grant will help the City with \$500,000 towards the project. This will help offset some of the costs and keep user rates lower. The application will go in on November 18th and then in April the City will get word if they prequalify for

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competitive ranking and will be asked to submit an addendum to the application. The money will then be awarded following final ranking.

Mayor Stronks opened the public hearing.

Noranne Baler explained that she just wants to make sure that the sewer project will include fixing the line running in the alley behind her home. They have consistently had problems with the line. Marvin Fielding was able to assure Noranne that the project will include this line.

Mayor Stronks asked for any further comments. There were none.

Mayor Stronks closed the public hearing at 7:11 pm.

5. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

- A. Ordinance 468-16 – Amending Ordinance 426-06 to correct legal description – City Attorney Angell, City Clerk Stegelmeier

Councilwoman Harrigfeld made a motion to read the City of Ashton Ordinance 468-16 by title only and dispense with the second and third readings. Councilman Atchley seconded the motion. Roll call vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Harrigfeld read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Councilwoman Harrigfeld made a motion to that Ashton City Ordinance 468-16 be approved and published. Councilman Atchley seconded the motion. Roll call vote was called. The motion passed unanimously

- B. Resolution 16-01 - ICDBG Authorizing Resolution – Rick Miller, City Clerk Stegelmeier
Rick explained that this resolution assigns the Mayor the signatory role for the City for the grant applications, etc.
- C. Resolution 16-02 – Fair Housing Resolution (update) – Rick Miller, City Clerk Stegelmeier
This resolution will update to the City’s Fair Housing Resolution.

Councilman Atchley made a motion to adopt 16-01 & 16-02 as presented. Councilwoman Hansen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

6. UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS:

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

- A. Grant Administration Contract – City Clerk Stegelmeier, Rick Miller
The Council discussed that they had gone over the contract the month prior.

Councilman Harrigfeld made a motion that the City enter into contract with the development company for the grant administration for the City’s wastewater treatment facility. Councilman Atchley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. De-Annexation of Property – Devin Burton
Devin was not in attendance but his question has been solved with the passage of Ordinance 426-16.

7. NEW BUSINESS/PETITIONS:

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- A. Sewer Concerns/Car Wash – Tammy & Wade Lehman
Tammy & Wade were not present.
- B. Utility Easement on Johnson Subdivision – City Clerk Stegelmeier

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City Clerk Stegelmeier explained that on the plat for the old subdivision over by the Visitor Center, the City has a utility easement. The subdivision plat was done prior to the City having adopted a development code requiring infrastructure prior to plat completion. City Clerk Stegelmeier thinks it would be wise to mark the easement because of some upcoming construction on the subdivision making it so that the City will need to protect the easement. She would like to talk to Marvin to see if his company would have time to survey and mark it. Councilman Funke expressed his opinion that it is a good idea.

Councilman Funke made a motion to contact and get easement surveyed and marked. Councilman Atchley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. American Dog Derby 2017 – John Scafe

John came to the Council to discuss the dog race some more. He would like the City to make sure and have any vendors contact Rachel Hatton if they want to sell something during the dog races. The race committee needs to know who they are and what they are selling. They are working on getting their insurance in place. They will be working with the Chamber on the Soup Challenge and are talking about having a dance following the Challenge at the Community Center. They will have some good community music – old fashioned and western music. It does not seem feasible to have a boxing match. The Celebrity race this year will be a snow shoe race. The committee does want to have the race go down Main Street and they will be discussing that more with the City. The kid's and mutt races will be Saturday. That is basically where they are at right now. They appreciate all the support they are getting right now. They are doing their best. Mayor Stronks thanked John for his and his committee's hard work.

D. Scheduling – City Clerk Stegelmeier

City Clerk Stegelmeier went over the schedule with the Council. Mayor Stronks thanked everyone for coming to this earlier meeting and explained he would be gone to New Zealand in November. The December meeting was discussed and it was decided that it would have to be on the 7th in order to have a quorum.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

I.C. 74-206 Certain City-related matters may need to be discussed confidentially as a matter of law (Acquisition of real property, personnel matters, attorney-client communications) subject to applicable legal requirements, the Council may enter executive session by roll call vote to discuss such matters.

(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated

Councilwoman Harrigfeld made a motion to enter an executive session per Idaho Code section 74-206 (f).

Councilman Atchley seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Funke, aye; Atchley, aye; Hansen, aye; Harrigfeld, aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Stronks excused the audience. The Council entered executive session at 7:42 pm.

Councilwoman Harrigfeld made a motion to exit executive session. Councilman Atchley seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council exited executive session at 7:50 pm.

Councilman Funke had a concern that he would like the Council discuss. He feels that it is important to the City records that any council member or employee that attends a meeting report on that meeting. The Council discussed written reports being in the packet. Councilman Funke explained that it will provide justification for paying out the expenses for the meeting.

Councilman Funke made a motion that city employees and council members that attend meetings and file for

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reimbursement of expenses give a short report as to what they did. Councilwoman Harrigfeld seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

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

NEXT MEETING

- ♦ Regular Council 7:00 p.m. – Wednesday, December 11, 2016, Council Chambers, Ashton City Building – 714 Main, Ashton. Questions concerning items appearing on this Agenda or requests for accommodation of special needs to participate in the meeting should be addressed to the Office of the City Clerk or call 208-652-3987.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cathy Stegelmeier, City Clerk.

Attest

Cathy Stegelmeier
City Clerk

Theo R. Stronks
Mayor