

MINUTES–CITY OF ASHTON

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 29, 2014

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**. Any individual who wishes to address the Council on any other subject should plan to speak when **Item 2– Public Comments** is identified by the Mayor. 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: Becky Harrigfeld
PLEDGE LED BY: Tad Atchley

In Attendance: Teddy Stronks, Brett Pincock, Teresa Hansen, Tadd Atchley and Becky Harrigfeld.

Also, City Clerk Stegelmeier, City Attorney Lookabaugh, Marvin Fielding, Kyle Jones, Rick Paskett, Todd Martindale, David Schiess, Del Jensen, and James Mullen.

Mayor Stronks opened the meeting and welcomed everyone in attendance at 7:00 pm.

1. UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS:

A. Liquor Catering Permit– City Clerk Stegelmeier

City Clerk Stegelmeier explained that Ott’s Place had applied for a catering permit in order to cater the Targhee Ridgerunner’s dinner on November 8th.

Councilman Atchley made a motion to approve the Liquor Catering Permit for November 8, 2014 for Ott’s Place. Councilman Pincock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Collections on Utility – City Attorney Lookabaugh, City Clerk Stegelmeier

City Attorney Lookabaugh has been assisting with some collections for the City and has found that the City current ordinance is written that a failure to pay constitutes a lien but Idaho state law supersedes that ordinance. The City needs to reconsider what to do in order to collect on it. There is a way to use a lien on property tax which will work the same way. City Attorney Lookabaugh has worked with City Clerk Stegelmeier and Deputy Clerk Warnke to propose a written procedure to be passed as a resolution to help to keep bills from getting out of hand. The Council discussed some of the problem accounts.

Councilman Pincock made a motion that a resolution be prepared to put this policy into effect. Councilwoman Harrigfeld seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Harrigfeld made a motion to enter executive session. Councilman Pincock seconded the motion. Roll call vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

I.C. 67-2345 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.

A. IC 67-2345 2. Labor Negotiations

- i. Sewer Study Engineering RFP Interview Question Finalization
- ii. Sewer Study Engineering Interviews

Councilman Pincock made a motion to exit executive session. Councilman Hansen seconded the motion. Roll call vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

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3. UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS:

A. Engineering Discussion

Mayor Stronks explained to those in attendance that each Councilmember would write down the name of the firm that they choose and City Clerk Stegelmeier would read them aloud. Councilwoman Harrigfeld: Keller; Councilwoman Hansen: Keller; Councilman Atchley: Keller; Councilman Pincock: Keller and Mayor Stronks (only to be used if a tie vote is cast): Forsgren. The Council chose Keller Associates.

Councilman Pincock made a motion to accept the Council vote and hire Keller Associates for the City's Wastewater Facility Study. Councilwoman Hansen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. ADJOURNMENT

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

NEXT MEETING

- ◆ Regular Council 7:00 p.m. – Wednesday, November 12, 2014 Council Chambers. 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