

Bancroft City Council  
Monday, October 12, 2020  
Meeting Minutes of the Mayor and City Council for Bancroft, Idaho

Roll call showed the following council and staff members present:

Mickelle O'Brien/phone, Joseph Perry, Scott Hayden, Carrie Yost, Mayor Spencer, Kyle Reed, Casey Moreland and Clerk Swensen

Others in attendance: James Ackerman, Liz Call, Rylie Askew, Nellie Askew, Marilyn Stoddard, Trevor Parsons, Adam Mabey, and Dusti Spencer

Call to Order: Mayor Spencer called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Pledge: Mayor Spencer

Prayer: Council President, Scott Hayden

Item: 1 Agenda

Council Member Carrie Yost made a motion to accept the agenda as stated. Council President, Scott Hayden 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Item: 2 Marilyn Stoddard is concerned about the strong mold smell coming from the house that neighbors her property. Mayor Spencer is aware of the situation and has contacted the bank that owns the house. The bank will go through the proper channels to address the problems with the property. Mayor Spencer suggested that Marilyn fill out an official complaint form to keep on file at the city office.

Item: 3 Minutes-Regular Council Meeting 9-14-2020

Cp, Scott Hayden made a motion to accept the minutes from regular council meeting held on September 14, 2020. Cm, Joseph Perry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Item: 4 Minutes-Special Council Meeting 9-17-2020

Cm, Joseph Perry made a motion to accept the minutes from the special council meeting held on September 17, 2020.

Cm, Mickelle O'Brien 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Item: 5 Accounts Payables for September 2020

Cm, Carrie Yost made a motion to pay the accounts payable for September 2020.

Cm, Joseph Perry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Item: 6 Property Purchase

Pam Barfuss accepted the cities offer on the small parcel of her land that is adjoining the city park property. The city will work with the attorney to complete the purchase legally.

Item: 7 Discussion regarding violation letters

Mayor Spencer gave updates to the city council regarding violation letters that went out residents. There are several residents that are trying to get back into compliance with the city ordinances that were addressed in the most recent notices. Several of the residents have contacted the mayor or council members to report their progress and arrange for more clean-up time.

Council members agree to drive around and make an updated list of residents that are still out of compliance.

Item: 8 Donation to North Gem School Carnival

Cp, Scott Hayden made a motion to donate the \$100 to the carnival

Cm, Joe Perry 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Item: 9 Lighting of Teuscher Square Purchases

Cm, Carrie Yost suggested the city purchase a sound system for the Teuscher Square Lighting Program. Council would like to wait on the purchase at this time. A local resident has volunteered to put on the program and use her own equipment this year.

Cm, Yost brought a list of items needed for the event which includes flood lights, a Santa chair, curtain lights and items for serving the food. Nellie Askew is concerned about purchasing new lights and decorations when the items have not been put away after Christmas. Council members explained that the tree lights stay in the trees all year due to the size of the trees. The items in the city square are usually frozen to the ground for a month or two after Christmas.

Maintenance will do inventory on the items in the shop before placing orders. Clerk Swensen will contact Shirley Christensen to cook chili and Patterson's store for soup. Council would like to have donuts and sugar cookies instead of cinnamon rolls this year. All other items will be picked up from Costco and the local grocery stores.

Cm, Mickelle O'Brien made a motion to purchase the above mentioned items for the Lighting of Teuscher Square.

Cp, Scott Hayden 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Item: 10 Elizabeth Call (Liz)

Liz informed the city council that she gave the city clerk a bill from her attorney and would like to be reimbursed for her charges. Mayor Spencer informed Liz that the city is not responsible for her bill and will not be reimbursing her.

Mayor Spencer asked Liz and her husband Ellis Call to quit parking their vehicles on the sidewalk in front of their house.

Item: 11 City Comprehensive Plan Review-Element 4

Council members reviewed element 4 of the Comprehensive Plan.

Cm, Carrie Yost asked if the city could do either sidewalks or curb and gutters. Mayor Spencer explained that concrete is extremely expensive right now and these projects will need to be done using matching grants. The city engineers did put in for a sidewalk grant last year when they were available but Bancroft city was not chosen. The city will continue to apply for this grant when it is available.

Cm, Joe Perry suggested putting money aside each year for these types of projects and for the match portion if a grant were received.

Item: 12 Park Rules and Regulations

Mayor Spencer asked the council to look at the signs posted at Memorial Park and note any changes they would like to have made before the city orders new signs.

Item: 13 Clerk Swensen asked if the city council would like to have the codifiers put the city codes online digitally. The codifiers have offered the city a one-time set up fee that is less than previous offers. There would be an annual fee according to population. Codes can be referenced by key words which will make code enforcement more efficient.

Cm, Joe Perry made a motion to hire the codifiers and have the city codes on-line in a digital file.

Cp, Scott Hayden 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Item: 14 Sheriff Adam Mabey

Adam has taken over as Sheriff of the county. Sheriff Mabey informed the city council that his deputies will assist the city with code enforcement when necessary.

Item: 15 Council Reports