

CITY OF ST. ANTHONY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2012, 7:00 p.m.
420 NORTH BRIDGE, SUITE A, ST. ANTHONY, ID, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Mayor Neils Thueson, Council Members Suzanne Bagley, Bryant Biorn, Tom Erickson, Rick Hill, Russ Rubert and Rod Willmore.

ALSO PRESENT: Water Superintendent Kirk Nelson, City Attorney Bill Forsberg, City Clerk Treasurer Patty Parkinson, Police Chief Jim Smith and approximately six citizens.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thueson at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Councilmember Rubert.

PUBLIC HEARING

2011/12 Budget Amendment Hearing – Mayor Thueson opened the floor to hear from the public regarding the 2011/12 Budget Amendments. Clerk Parkinson explained there is additional revenue resulting from a number of sources which requires a public hearing in order for the city to spend. Parkinson reviewed the effected accounts and the total amounts. Council asked a few questions which were satisfactorily answered by staff. There being no one to speak in favor, against or neutrally, Thueson closed the floor for the 2011/12 Budget Amendment Hearing.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2012 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment Ordinance – Mayor Thueson asked council to review the Ordinance and requested for a motion. A motion to suspend the reading of Ordinance Number 2012-5 on three different days and for the ordinance be read by title only once was made by Councilmember Biorn and seconded by Councilmember Willmore. Thueson requested a role call vote as follows: Willmore, yes; Hill, yes; Biorn, yes; Erickson, yes; Bagley, yes; and Rubert, yes. Motion passed 6-0. Biorn read Ordinance 2012-5 by title only. A motion to adopt Ordinance 2012-5, An Ordinance of the City of St. Anthony, Idaho, Amending Ordinance no. 2011-7, the Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2011 and Ending September 30, 2012; Appropriating Additional Monies that are to be Received by the City of St. Anthony, Idaho in the sum of \$441,987; and Providing an Effective Date Hereof was made by Erickson and seconded by Bagley. A role call vote followed with council members voting as follows: Willmore, yes; Hill, yes; Biorn, yes; Erickson, yes; Bagley, yes; and Rubert, yes. Motion passed 6-0.

Introduction of Habitat for Humanity in the St. Anthony Area (Karen Lansing) – Karen Lansing, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Idaho Falls Area, introduced herself and another representative, Greer Gurganus, a member in charge of program development. Lansing came to report a man living outside of Ashton, Kurt Kandler, passed away in 2010 leaving Habitat for Humanity in Idaho Falls 20% of his estate. This equates to over a million dollars in funding. The way that Kandler wrote his trust was for the funds to be used in this priority; the residents of Ashton, St. Anthony, Fremont County, Madison County, Jefferson

County and Teton County. Habitat for Humanity will be coming in to the towns of Ashton and St. Anthony to do a base line study to look for resources such as income donations and volunteers. The Kandler Funds will be used along with other leveraged funds in order to complete projects and to remain sustainable in these communities. Lansing handed out some information regarding Habitat for Humanity, including a volunteer interest survey and application for housing.

Planning & Zoning's Recommendation of Application for Approval of Subdivision Plat for PacifiCorp at 200 W 100 S, St. Anthony Hydro Plant (Forsberg) – Attorney Forsberg explained the application submitted by PacifiCorp for a requested subdivision. This is for a two lot commercial subdivision to be known as St. Anthony Hydro Plant & Subdivision located at 200 West 100 South, Lots 1-10, Block 90 of the Townsite of St. Anthony. The property is approximately .75 acres in size. The intent is to take the original 10 parcels and created two parcels in order to retain the portion where the substation sits and to sell the other parcel with the hydro project and canal at a later time. A hearing was held before the Planning and Zoning Commission with no members of the public in attendance. There were no letters received. The application complies with all the city's zoning ordinances and comprehensive plan. It is the recommendation of the St. Anthony Planning and Zoning Commission for the City Council to approve the Preliminary Plat with the conditions outline in the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Action as signed and dated the 5th of September, 2012 by the Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Council reviewed the plat and after some questions which were satisfactorily answered by staff and by Claudia Conder, representative of PacifiCorp, a motion to approve the Preliminary Plat with the conditions outline in the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Action was made by Councilmember Willmore and seconded by Councilmember Rubert. All council members were in favor. Motion passed 6-0.

Discussion and Report on Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (Bagley/Forsberg) – Councilmember Bagley reported they have been busy getting a Mayor's Youth Advisory Council started. She said this will be a good opportunity for the youth in our community to work side by side with council. This is a great thing for them to obtain pride in their community and to do great things for the community. They would like to get this going in October, meeting on the third Wednesday of each month. They would like to see two council members at each activity. Bagley provided council with the application which will be handed out at the High School and the eighth graders at the Junior High. She also provided a proposed flyer requesting youth to join. Bagley talked about some of the activities they would be involved in starting out and how the youth would then start bringing their requests for service projects to council. A set of by-laws are being reviewed by Attorney Forsberg. Mindy Jensen, an adult leader, was present and talked about grants and how the juvenile probation officer is willing to assist in obtaining the funds. If these funds were awarded then the Youth Council would have to include the youth in the juvenile probation programs. This grant is up to \$24,000 with no required match and requires the project be used for restorative purposes. A motion to allow Bagley's group of leaders to place the flyers out at the High School and Junior High and to provide the applications to the schools and to look into the grant was made by Councilmember Rubert and seconded by Councilmember Erickson. All council members approved. Motion passed 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Thueson opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments. Thueson closed the floor and moved to the next item on the agenda.

INVOICES & CLAIMS - Payment Approval Reports were presented to Council. Following some questions where were satisfactory answered by staff, a motion to pay the invoices and claims was made by Councilmember Bagley and seconded by Councilmember Rubert. All council members present were in favor. Motion passed 6-0.

MINUTES – Regular Council Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2012 were presented to council. A motion to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2012 was made by Councilmember Willmore and seconded by Councilmember Erickson. All council members present were in favor. Motion passed 6-0.

DEPARTMENT, COUNCIL & MAYOR REPORTS

Police Chief Smith reported they will be having a shoot next Wednesday night where they will be demonstrating their equipment to anyone wishing to attend. Smith provided the police incident summary. The department just completed a DUI grant. Application closed for new hire. They received 19 clerk applications and seven officer applications. Of the officer applications only two met the required qualifications. Smith took care of the COPS grant questionnaire received by the Mayor.

Water Superintendent Nelson reported the Tuesday power outage showed which generators were working. The north side didn't transfer over but the south side took over. A transformer wasn't working and one is ordered for repair. Nelson reported attending the Drinking Water Class in Idaho Falls. Mayor Thueson asked Nelson to tell the crew they did a good job out front. The old Kiosk was taken down and the new heated sidewalk is in. The patch work is finished on the parking lot and the lot was swept. The landscaping is also finished and it all looks very nice. The last thing to do is the seal coating on the parking lot. Hopefully, this can get done in the next week or so.

Attorney Forsberg had nothing to report.

Clerk Parkinson reported on the Bond Bank Meeting held last week and this afternoon. The cities two sewer bonds and one water bond have all been approved for refinance. This will reduce the overall debt to the city by nine years and additionally the Bond Bank approved a wavier on the cities reserves freeing up approximately \$325,000 in the sewer fund and \$82,000 in the water fund. This allows the city opportunities to be in a better position for grant requests. It also frees up funding with the DEQ and USDA to provide additional loans and/or grant opportunities for cities through out the state. This is a win-win situation for everyone, especially our citizens as it allows for the city to review rate increases for water and sewer in addition to freeing up cash for the city's water and sewer needs. Parkinson also provided council with the Fund Summary ending July 31, 2012. The city will be getting their new server and computers next week. Parkinson and her staff will be attending the ICCTFOA (Idaho City Clerks Treasurers and Financial Officer's Association) meeting in Coeur d' Alene next week. PERSI came in and audited the city and there were just a couple of house keeping items. Otherwise the city is in good standing with PERSI. Parkinson also

reported on a letter submitted to Senator Brent Hill regarding eliminating the tax on personal property owned by businesses and how this would affect our city and other small cities across the state. Mayor Thueson said he is opposed to eliminating this tax and fully supports any efforts by Senator Hill to speak on behalf of the cities to the Idaho Legislature.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NEEDED, PURSUANT TO IDAHO CODE – A motion to enter executive session pursuant to provisions of Idaho Code 67-2345, subsection 1(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student, was made by Councilmember Bagley and seconded by Councilmember Rubert. A role call vote followed with council members answers as follows: Willmore, yes; Hill, yes; Biorn, yes; Erickson, yes; Bagley, yes; and Rubert, yes. Motion passed 6-0. The room was cleared except for the Mayor, council members, Attorney Forsberg and Clerk Parkinson.

A motion to exit executive session was made by Councilmember Erickson and seconded by Councilmember Bagley. A role call vote followed with council members answers as follows: Willmore, yes; Hill, yes; Biorn, yes; Erickson, yes; Bagley, yes; and Rubert, yes. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Thueson then opened up the regular meeting inviting everyone back in to the room. Thueson reported there were no decisions made while in executive session.

Councilmember Rubert reported the Chamber of Commerce met and they are well under way with plans for Halloween Decorations and Christmas Decorations. The Chamber was approached to help with the Thanksgiving dinner and respectfully declined. Chamber also wanted to know if they could be involved with the Mayor's Youth Council. Mayor Thueson said of course and any organizations should be a part of the Mayor's Youth Council. Thueson thought the more support the better.

Councilmember Bagley had nothing to report.

Councilmember Erickson reported on the meeting for the West Main project held Friday, September 7th. They went through in detail the entire project. They are back on time and have even gained a year so instead of 2017 construction will start 2016. There will be a public hearing on the 27th from 4:30 to 6:30. Thueson said he has been busy working with Schiess and Associates meeting with individual property owners and getting them to sign the correct papers as needed for the project. Mayor Thueson said he went to Rotary and their concern is the bridge at the end of Main. They would like the bridge expanded and so Thueson spoke to Schiess and Associates and they thought it could be feasible. Thueson said he would recommend continued street chip and sealing next year and the year after and then in 2015 instead of chip sealing do a new bridge. He asked council to think about this and see if there might be a possibility with assistance from the county and Rotary.

Councilmember Biorn had nothing to report.

Councilmember Hill had nothing to report.

Councilmember Willmore reported on the sealing job done on the airport. Willmore said it looks real nice and the rocks are picked up. Willmore did say some of the paint is already

fading as it must have been applied too thinly. Willmore said the annual Fly-In is Saturday the 22^{ne} and he looks forward to providing everyone with a ride in an airplane.

Mayor Thueson had nothing further to report.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m. by Mayor Thueson.


Neils Thueson, Mayor

Attest:


Patty Unruh Parkinson, City Clerk-Treasurer

