

City of Glenns Ferry City Council Meeting July 14, 2020

The regular City Council meeting of the City of Glenns Ferry was opened and called to order at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 17, 2020, by Mayor Monty White.

Members Present: Susan Case, Scott Smith, Dani Martinez, Kenny Thompson, Mayor Monty White

Staff Present: Teresa Parsons, Johnny Hernandez, Derik Janousek, Jennifer Trail, Christy Acord, Geoffrey Schroeder

Others Present: Monica Janousek, Wren Hernandez, Donn Carnahan, Sheriff Hollinshead, Kim Middleton, David Payne

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Item 1. OPEN MEETING/ROLL CALL:

Parsons: Roll call.

Susan Case Scott Smith Dani Martinez Ken Thompson
 Mayor Monty White

Item 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Item 3. MOTION TO: [ACTION ITEM]: Adopt Agenda:

Case: I'll make that motion to adopt the agenda.

Thompson: Second.

Mayor White: All in favor, all-ayes.

Item 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Please Sign in to Speak: For information purposes only on items not placed on the agenda. No action or decision can be made on public comments. Comments are limited to 3 minutes. *SEE BELOW*****

Item 5. MOTION TO: [ACTION ITEM] Consent Agenda.

A. City Council Meeting Minutes for June 23, 2020.

B. Accounts Payables for June 2020.

C. Payroll June 2020.

D. Library Board Minutes June 1, 2020.

Thompson: I'll make the motion to accept the consent agenda.

Smith: I'll second.

Mayor White: All in favor, all -ayes.

Item 6. ITEMS MOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:

Item 7. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Kim Middleton. Elmore County Domestic Violence Council: Budget Request.

Middleton: For those who don't know me, I am Kim Middleton the director of the Elmore County Domestic Violence Council. In 2014, we opened a resource in Mountain Home, from there we have evolved into a six-bedroom shelter. We are serving all of Elmore County. Since our house opened in November, we have housed ten woman, nine children, two of those families were from here in Glenns Ferry. Our numbers have increase significantly. Our first quarter we had twenty-eight calls. In our second quarter that had doubled to sixty-seven. In 2020, our calls had increased by five hundred percent, we had one

hundred fifty-four calls. Over the years we relied on the County for funds. Mountain Home City has given us some funds. The Commissioners suggested I come before you and request some funding. We have to get a twenty percent in-kind match every year for our grant. This year the Idaho Council of Domestic Violence awarded us \$530,000 for our program. With COVID our in-kind match numbers decreased tremendously. First quarter we had \$15,000 with in-kind donation. Second quarter was \$11,000. Third quarter was \$15,000. In this last quarter it was only \$2,700 of in-kind donation. We are very concerned with what COVID has done to our community. I am here requesting funds, what ever your budget allows.

Mayor: We are right in the middle of budget; this is a Council decision.

Case: I would like to see us, give some money, these are lives not line items.

Mayor: I agree.

Martinez: Un-audible.

Case: I am not looking at the budget, I do not know where there is wiggle room. So, I don't know if we can make a commitment tonight. But I would like us to look very hard at the budget and try to find some money for this cause.

Thompson: I agree.

Mayor: I will go back and look at the budget see where it can fit. You want to give me a figure tonight?

Please tell me where you are thinking, so I know where I am going to pull and what I am going to cut.

Case: I would like to see at least \$2500.

Martinez: That is what I was thinking.

Case: Additionally, I would like you to keep in contact with us, there must be other things, besides money. There must be resources and manpower and knowledge, talents that can use to help you out. Keep in contact with us, let us know how we can help.

Middleton: The City of Mountain Home had a community baby shower, the City put it together and we raised over \$2000 in diapers and wipes and other baby items.

Schroeder: We helped draft a contract between the City of Mountain Home and the Domestic Violence Council. They are a statutorily addressed part of the Police power of the City. To provide health, safety, and welfare for citizens, so it is within the City's statutory authority to fund this organization. We will draw up a contract with the services they provide in exchange for this amount of money. That way there is some reporting and what it's doing.

Item 8. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Mayor White. Alice Darrington Resignation from the Library Board.

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Item 9. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Adopt: Resolution No. Rural Idaho Economic Development Professional Grant. (ROLL CALL VOTE).

Case: I motion to adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENN'S FERRY, ELMORE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCEPTING THE RURAL ECONOMICAL DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONAL GRANT OFFER FROM THE STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, FOR THE RURAL IDAHO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE AND THE CLERK TO ATTEST be adopted.

Thompson: I'll second.

Mayor: Roll Call Vote.

Parsons: Councilwoman Case – aye, Councilman Smith – aye,
Councilwoman Martinez – aye, Councilman Thompson – aye

Item 10. PRESENTATION: By Jennifer Trail. Librarian: Budget Year 2020-21 Preparation. Library Fund

Trail: There are not a whole lot of changes from what we have done last year. The subscriptions went up, due to having a subscription to the eBooks. I have not heard back from the grants I have applies for, which would offset potentially what we would be using.

Thompson: What is the plus 3% wage increase?

Trail: That number just reflects 3% wage increase in wages.

Mayor: That was recommended by their board.

Case: I make the motion we accept the budget as written.

Item 11. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Mayor White: COVID-19 Update

Mayor: I sat in on a conference call from about four o'clock until about ten or fifteen minutes before I got down here. Central District Health Dr Steven Anderson, he works for St Alphonsus. I got these notes from him. Four weeks ago, the COVID19 was in a flat, right now we are at a spike going up. His words: It is expanding rapidly. He predicts that it will double in a few weeks if we don't take some steps to flatten the curve. He feels that people wearing masks and maintaining a six-foot minimum distance and washing their hands, using sanitary that it can reduce the exposure, risk of getting COVID19. They want to limit groups to 50 or less, inside buildings, places you cannot maintain the six-foot minimum. They would prefer to hold groups of over 50, to be held outdoors. Classrooms where students are meeting, they need good ventilation, high ceilings and good janitorial. Children under 8yrs old tend to be symptomatic. A third of the people that have COVID19 right now, will show no symptoms, but will test positive for the virus. His prediction: We would be lucky if we see a vaccine by the end of the year. Ada County voted everybody had to have a mask on out in a public place, where they cannot maintain six-foot distance. Boise County voted – yes, Ada County voted – yes, Elmore County voted – no. Boise is on mandatory masks.

Item 12. DISCUSSION/MOTION: DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORT: [ACTION ITEM]

A. Sheriff Office – Sheriff Hollinshead/Lieutenant Burnett: June 72 calls for service, 69 calls within city limits, 20 case numbers pulled, for a total of 141 event for the month of June.

B. Fire Chief – Derik Janousek: N/A

C. Public Works – Johnny Hernandez: Still working on stuff the storm created for us. Sweeper, sweeping the curbs and also cleaning out storm drains, French drains. Working on roads that got washed away. Sewer/manholes that got damaged, we are reinforcing them. Lots of training at the water plant. We are patching roads here and there. Along with our day to day operations. Water/Sewer samples, dig lines, irrigation issues. Cliff went down into the water plant, took out the fence. Monty and Doon (Mayor/Keller) and I working on that for a long-term fix.

D. City Engineer – Keller Associates, Inc – Donn Carnahan, PE: 4th Street Bridge: Cannon Builders they aren't doing much of anything - proceed forward with fixing it, it will maybe take \$1500-\$2000 of materials and some clean up and just proceed forward.

Case: The approach that I would like to see is a really firm letter from our attorney, but at that point lets face it, we will pay more in legal fees that if we fix it.

Carnahan: Blow out at the Water Plant – I think we need to involve a geotechnical people to help repair, I'll get some estimates. Airport – Soft spot has dried; we are ready to put back together and go on from there.

E. Clerk/Treasurer – Teresa Parsons: N/A

F. Economic Development – Christy Acord: AARP Grant – August. Un-audible
Replace and repair the flagpole, light on the flag. Un-audible – painted. Working on infrastructure project with the City of Glenns Ferry, with Pine and Featherville sending out letters to owners, future plans for empty property. Un-audible.

G. Librarian – Jennifer Trail: N/A

H. Animal Control – Dena Marchant: Absent.

I. Airport Manager – Justin Wootan: Absent.

J. Historical Museum – Donna Carnahan: Absent.

K. Planning & Zoning – Kt Carpenter: Absent.

Item 13. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

General discussion on legalities, procedures of protesting.

Smith: N/A.

Martinez: N/A.

Thompson: People are staying at the Boat Docks overnight.

Sherriff: I make sure that we are monitoring that.

Thompson: How is the Code Enforcer working?

Mayor: I have been in contact with the Code Enforcer, we are issuing letters. If we get no response, we go to the next level. I am impressed with what he is doing so far.

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Thompsons: Weeds?

Mayor: If they are on private property, we will get the Code Enforcer.

Item 14. ADJOURN: [ACTION ITEM]

Case: I'll make the motion.

Thompson: I'll second.

Mayor White: All in favor, all -ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Approved by the City Council: 07/28/2020

Monty R. White – Mayor

Attest: _____

Teresa Parsons - Clerk/Treasurer

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