City of Glenns Ferry City Council Meeting February 23, 2021
The regular City Council meeting of the City of Glenns Ferry was opened and called to order at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, February 23, 2021, by Monty White, Mayor.

Members Present: Susan Case (remote), Billy Galloska, Dani Martinez (remote), Kenny Thompson, Mayor Monty White

Staff Present: Christy Acord, Johnny Hernandez, Derik Janousek, Teresa Parsons, Geoff Schroeder

Others Present: Donn Carnahan, Sheriff Hollingshead, Alexis Pickering, Connie Stopher

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Item 1. OPEN MEETING/ROLL CALL:
Parsons: Roll call.
___ Susan Case ___ Dani Martinez ___ Ken Thompson ___ Billy Galloska
___ Mayor Monty White

***Let the record show Susan Case attended remotely, Dani Martinez attended remotely***

Item 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Item 3. MOTION TO: [ACTION ITEM]: Adopt Amended Agenda:
Galloska: I make the motion to adopt agenda.
Thompson: Second
Mayor White: All in favor, all-ayes, motion carries.

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 February 9, 2021:
B. Accounts Payables for February 2021:
C. Library Board Minutes for January 12, 2021:
Thompson: I motion to accept the consent agenda.
Galloska: Second
Mayor White: All in favor, all-ayes.

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

Item 7. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Mayor White – Resolution: A Resolution Declaring the City of Glenns Ferry, Idaho to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary City:
Mayor White: I have had several citizens come to me and talk to me about their second amendment rights. They are concerned about the things that are going on with the current administration. They want me to look at declaring the City of Glenns Ferry a sanctuary city under the second amendment. I had some research done and turned it over to the city attorney to draft a resolution that we could feel good about and still protect our second amendment rights. Most of the people that I talked to felt like their second amendment rights are under attack and they are sincere about it, they are not a subversive group, they are just common citizens here in the City of Glenns Ferry that love shooting and sports and hunting, fishing, or just traveling around all-over public lands and they feel that right is under attack and being taken away. With that I will turn it over to the council if they’d like to jump in, debate any portion of this. We have the city attorney here for legal questions. A lot of people feel that this is unnecessary, a lot of people feel it is necessary and so I just want to make sure that we give the citizen and the council, the opportunity to state their case. I have asked the Sheriff to be here if you have questions for the sheriff.

Thompson: I hate to say it, but I agree with it, so I do not have a whole lot to say.

Galloiska: I am in full agreement with this. I believe it is valid and I have read through this and I do not think there is any issue with this whatsoever.

Case: I like the proposal and the draft, but I think it could be and should be thought of as somewhat of a fluid situation, in other words this is what we want right now but we may need to react possible to any unconstitutional acts that may come down from the federal government, we need to keep that in mind, but I like what we have so far. It’s enough for now until we know if or what the federal government may do.

Martinez: I agree with the proposal.

Mayor White: If there’s no further comment from the council I will open it to the floor. Is there anybody that would like to comment on the resolution? Well good job Geoff (city attorney).

Schroeder: Councilman Case I would like to join your comment about this being good enough for now until we know what has come down the pike, is kind of precisely the reason why I drafted this one the way that I did. Declaring an entire set of laws to be unconstitutional before we even see what they are is a hazard for our friends in law enforcement and for myself as a prosecutor and so when we see what laws are then it would be time to engage with the sheriff and with the county prosecutor and more importantly the state government. I agree whole heartily when you say this is enough for now, I couldn’t agree more with the idea that we need to see what federal laws come down the road to see how we need to react and let the state do their role. Thank you.

Sheriff Hollingshead: I just want to let everybody know that as sheriff and my deputies we take an oath to the United States Constitution and State of Idaho Constitution and that is what we will stand on, that’s what law enforcements about and that’s what we will. I am here tonight to let you know that I agree with this and I will fully support Glenns Ferry for anything that they decide to do but I also agree and I know that there are legislative laws coming to also help us but we will wait for the federal to see what they have and if they do go down that wrong road, yes I will be here to help support the city in any way I can.

Mayor White: If the council would like to make a motion to adopt this resolution then I will entertain that motion now.

Galloiska: So, moved.

Mayor White: I have a motion for a resolution declaring the City of Glenns Ferry, Idaho to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary City, do I have a second?

Thompson: Yes sir.

Parsons: Roll call vote, Councilwoman Case-aye, Councilwoman Martinez-aye, Councilman Galloska-aye, Councilman Thompson-aye.

Mayor White: Motion carries.

Item 8. MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] EXECUTIVE SESSION: [Idaho Code § 74-206 (f)] Discuss Pending Litigation: (Roll Call Vote)

Mayor White: At this time, we need to move into executive session for pending litigation. I need a motion from the council, and it must be read verbatim if they want to go into executive session.

Thompson: I motion to go into executive session Idaho Code 74-206 (f) discussion pending litigation.

Galloiska: Second.

Parsons: Roll call vote, Councilwoman Case-aye, Councilwoman Martinez-aye, Councilman Thompson-aye, Councilman Galloska-aye.
Start @ 7:12 pm.
Back in regular session @ 7:27 pm

Item 9. MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Waiver of Building Code Requirements:
Mayor White: Item 9, Waiver of Building Code Requirements, will not be taken up tonight. The Building Inspector and the property owner will get together and move forward.

Item 10. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Donn Carnahan, PE, Keller Associates/Glenns Ferry Waterline Improvements Airport, Project #216044-008, Invoice 0210262, $7,250.00:
Carnahan: You have the Invoice for the waterline final loop, we have the final plans drafted, we are still finding out there is lack of public corners and property land corners we are still trying to figure out.
Mayor White: It seems like every time we start one of these projects, we find something that should have been taken care of 30 yrs. ago. I sent all the council, information on how much the cost and bids. We are probably going to try to do that in-house as soon as we straighten out the property lines. What I'd like tonight is permission from the council to pursue surveying out there to figure out where we are at. We cannot go by map we are going to have to survey out there and it is going to cost us money, but I do not know how else we move forward unless we know where we are building on. I’d like to have a motion on surveying that and moving forward.
Thompson: I motion to have Mayor go ahead with survey at airport.
Galloska: Second
Mayor White: All in favor – all ayes. Motion passes

Item 11. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Donn Carnahan, PE, Keller Associates: Airport (U89) Improvements: Project #216044-004 Invoice 0210267, $677.50:
Mayor White: I would like a motion to pay airport improvements, Project #216044-004, Invoice 0210267 $677.50.
Galloska: So, moved.
Thompson: Second
Mayor White: All in favor – all ayes. Motion carries.

Item 12. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Susan Case Information on Elmore County Recreation District for Glenns Ferry Fire Department:
Case: I spoke with two of the board members and they were both pretty excited about it, they that it would be a great idea, they want to work with us, and they said whatever is fair. So, I worked it out with Karen Hall and what it would be is $20 for the first three members, and then it drops down to $10 for every member after that, and they are willing to split it with us (city) 50/50. A full count, my understanding is, there are 14 firefighters, which would come out approximately $85 a month for the city to pay, and that is assuming all 14 firefighters want to join as a unit. I think it is a great idea and what the Rec. Dist. Offered is more than fair.
Mayor White: President Case what I will do then is draft an agreement and I will get it to you, and you can get it to Karen Hall, and we will go from there.
Item 13. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] Mayor White (2021) Irrigation Assessments:
   Mayor White: Cost per lot is staying the same as last year, $50.60.

Item 14. DISCUSSION/MOTION: [ACTION ITEM] King Hill Irrigation Water Transfer:
   Mayor White: Item 14 has been taken off the agenda.

***Councilwoman Case left the meeting***

Item 15. DISCUSSION/MOTION: DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORT: [ACTION ITEM]

A. Sheriff Office – Sheriff Hollinshead/Lieutenant Burnett:
   Janousek: I don’t have must, we have started our fire fighters one, we will get everyone certified in that.

B. Fire Chief – Derik Janousek:
   Janousek: I don’t have must, we have started our fire fighters one, we will get everyone certified in that. regular maintenance of the roads, try working with the weather.

C. City Engineer – Keller Associates, Inc – Donn Carnahan, PE:
   Carnahan: 4th Street Bridge/the plan is to get the inland and pipe March 16, 2021. Mayor White: You alright with that Johnny? Hernandez: Yes.

D. Public Works – Johnny Hernandez:
   Hernandez: I have been looking at the fees and what they should be in 2021, we are doing troubleshooting, patching on roads, got Christmas lights down, crack sealing, regular maintenance of the roads, try working with the weather.

E. Clerk/Treasurer – Teresa Parsons:
   Parsons: I am still working remotely from home.

F. Development – Christy Acord:
   Acord: Online there are two people that are going to speak today 1st is Connie Stopher, So. Idaho Economic Development, she will give you the update. Glenns Ferry belongs to Southern Idaho Economic Development group out of Twin Falls.
   Stopher: Inaudible... Virtual tours, hosted 3 last year, 14 total – we were given the gold award for those. Operation Facelift, Christy has in mind and we will be assisting you and Christy with that project. Last year we raised over $21,000. Training Webinars are available, ***inaudible***
   Acord: Next up is Alexis Pickering, two years ago we started Elmore County Health Coalition for all of Elmore County, we have a lot of people that sit on the Board, including Central District Health, Idaho Food Bank, Alexis Pickering reached out and submitted a grant for “Get Healthy Idaho”
   Pickering: I am a health strategist for Central and Southwest District Health. I want to share what this grant means for Elmore County and Glenns Ferry, this is an exciting opportunity and answer any questions that you all have and across this whole process we have your involvement, the City, especially these first stages of the grant. This grant is the first of its kind, it is through Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. It’s called Get Healthy Idaho and normally with the states the grant offerings are normally very prescriptive, very narrow, and focused. The 1st attachment in your packet is about the press release and the 2nd attachment is about the grant. It’s the first ever multiyear grant, very community based, the whole purpose of it is to support the Elmore County Health Coalition and fill that compacity, while addressing the drivers of the health district in Elmore County. ***inaudible***
   Starting in March we are going to begin the assessment, we will be doing interviews, two focus point interviews in Glenns Ferry, March 8th, if you would like to be interviewed other than the 8th of March, we can do a one-on-one interview at another time that makes sense for them. We are also doing an online survey in English and Spanish. The more people participate the better data we are going to have. Huge thanks to Christy Acord she is a huge part of this project we couldn’t do what we do without her. I am extremely excited about this grant, ***inaudible***

G. Librarian – Jennifer Trail:
   Mayor White: Jennifer asks to be excused tonight but she did send me a report. The Library has opened back up to their normal hours. Attendance and circulation of getting books out are both increasing. They did do the disinfection fog machine. We have been using it in here (city hall), I understand it is working...
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pretty good. They have done a deep clean on the Library and try to do that daily, to try to stay ahead of everything. The Board is still discussing the replacement for Lena Fry, who resigned from the Board. They are getting together for a recommendation to me, Mayor, so that I can recommend to you (council). They have not started the kids’ program yet but hoping they can soon. Jennifer is doing a great job over there.

H. Animal Control – Dena Marchant:
   I. Airport Manager – Justin Wootan:
   J. Historical Museum – Donna Carnahan:
   K. Planning & Zoning – Kt Carpenter:

AJ: My name is AJ. I work for the Idaho Transportation Department, I want to tell you what we are planning to do down here this year, not including the project on the interstate. We are going to do a millamen lay from the 120 to front street, full width, and crack seal.
Hernandez: I got Carl’s card today and so I have his number and I will give him a call when it gets closer, when is the date?
AJ: We do not have a set date.
Hernandez: The day before just give us call and we will be glad to help in any way.
AJ: Also starting the 8th is when traffic is going to start changing out here and then by the 20th it will be the one side. We have noticed that the City of Mountain Home has been doing a lot of ADA Ramp Improvements and funding those with Safe Routes to Schools and would like to know if you have been looking into those grants? There will be no improvements on the airport on our end this year.

Item 16. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:
   Thompson: The Museum Board do they make any kind of report to us.
   Mayor White: I have not received from the Board any kind of report or communications from them in quite a while. So far, I have not seen an agenda posted.

Item 17. ADJOURN: [ACTION ITEM]
   Thompson: I make a motion we adjourn.
   Galloska: Second.
   Mayor White: All in favor, all-ayes. 8:02 pm.

Approved by the City Council: 03/09/2021

Monty R. White - Mayor

Attest: __________________________
Teresa Parsons - Clerk/Treasurer