## **CITY OF MOYIE SPRINGS MINUTES REGULAR MEETING November 8th, 2017**

## City Council met in regular session November 8th, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Moyie Springs City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Chad Farrens. Present were Council members Heather Andrews, Steve Economu, Terry Johnson, Tim Narvaez, Public Works Supervisor John Nelson, Fire Chief Ken English, City Clerk/Treasurer Donna Wilson-Funkhouser, and City Attorney Dan Featherston

**Signed In:** Bill and Deborah Rauth, Ginger Perrenoud, Rosanne Smith, Meredith Keller, Oliver Andrews, Dennis Weed with EDC, Geoff Hollenbeck, Rachael Fireman, Neal Fireman, and Les Love.

## **Open Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Prior Minutes -Approval October 4th, 2017:** Discussed the minutes of the regular meeting from October 4th, 2017. Mayor Farrens asked for any comments, questions, and or corrections to the minutes. Mayor Farrens entertained a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Steve Economu to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

**Approve Current Financials:** Mayor Farrens asked for the review of the current financials from October, 2017. Terry Johnson reported that the City had received two donations; one from Robert Pluid for \$5000.00 and one from Delton Amoth from Aamodt Inc. for \$650.00, to be used for the City's memorial for Ina Pluid, parks and recreation, and the Friends of Moyie Springs 501-3C nonprofit organization. Mayor Farrens entertained a motion to accept the current financials. The motion was made by Steve Economu and seconded by Tim Narvaez to approve the current financials. Motion carried.

**Unruh Subdivision – Mountain View Estates 3rd Addition:** A public hearing notice from Boundary County Planning & Zoning was presented for the Roger Unruh subdivision, Mountain View Estates 3<sup>rd</sup> addition. A public hearing regarding the subdivision will be held on November 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 A.M. Terry Johnson commented that at the last Council meeting that Roger Unruh had agreed to the 50 feet road right of way. Mayor Farrens said that he could attend the hearing. Meredith Keller said that he would be there as well and would be proud to represent the City.

Narvaez-3546 Roosevelt-Sewer Variance: Tim Narvaez excused himself from the City Council as this matter pertained to him as a private citizen. Tim Narvaez said he had conversations with Katherine at Panhandle Health District and also with the San Francisco based FDA office that Katherine had recommended that he call. The San Francisco office did not know why Panhandle Health District would have had him contact them. Tim Narvaez said that it turned out well, as they had gotten more FDA information from them. He said that the long story short is that he is going to remove an illegal septic system from his property that has been in existence for many years and dumps right into the soil behind the big silver shop. He said that he is planning to tie into a new tank, one that will handle both of the buildings and will put a filter on the discharge side and run a pump chamber and pump out towards the rear of the building where that double wide trailer had been. He said the line runs around and across his lawn and out through the driveway into the City's sewer main. He said that this is his plan to address the sewer for the building and to get rid of the effluent that would currently run into a pit onto the ground. Steve Economu said that which is illegal for the ground dumping. Tim Narvaez said yes, and that it would bring the whole place up to legality. Terry Johnson asked if Tim Narvaez would be putting in a new septic tank. Tim Narvaez said that he would be putting in a 1200 gallon tank and then a discharge filter on the discharge side, and a pump tank, and then pump back to the corner and gravity around and across. He said that it this has been in existence since he bought the place. He said that would be the most efficient

way to get it to the City's main sewer line and then that Panhandle Health District would not be involved, as he was hooking to the City's sewer system and that DEQ would not be involved as it would not be a private septic. He said that Panhandle Health District could then address the complaint and clear that off their records. Tim Narvaez asked if there were any other questions. Terry Johnson said that it sounds like he is ready to move forward. Steve Economu told Tim Narvaez good job on his plan. Tim Narvaez added that for public knowledge that by him putting in the big septic tank it would give the sewage a chance to break down, prior entering the City's sewer system. It is not required; but that he felt that it was the best way to approach the current situation. He said that there was only one other home, that he is aware of, his neighbor Les Swanson, that has a septic tank that pumps to the City's sewer system. It is an extra expense, but an extra chance for anything to break down. Steve Economu said that it is a step in the right direction. Terry Johnson commented that in a lot of cities they use these tanks and only deal with grey water, and it is now a common thing. He added that the City of Coeur d'Alene has a section that is this way.

Dennis Weed - EDC: Mayor Farrens addressed Dennis Weed. Dennis Weed said that since he had missed the last meeting, he would like to backup and address the City using PAC regarding the Block Grant. Dennis Weed said that to apply for a Block Grant, that it is required that you have a certified organization to apply for the Block grant. PAC is one of the only certified groups in North Idaho and that the City of Bonners Ferry and Moyie Springs need to use PAC to apply for any Block grants. He said that is why the City is going with PAC, as the City had done in the past for the water tank project with a Block grant. PAC will get the survey done on the City's resident's income to insure that the City is under the income level for applying for a Block grant. Once the City is past that hurdle, PAC will go ahead and apply for the Block Grant. Dennis Weed said that he had worked with the City's Attorney Dan Featherston and City Clerk/Treasurer Donna Wilson-Funkhouser to get the 501-3C Friends of Moyie Springs Inc. articles and incorporation papers and by-laws. He said that Dan Featherston had finished the paperwork for the articles and that they have done the IRS filings. He added that once the 501-3C was formed that the City could move forward with applying for grants. He said that grant monies are now being limited to these 501-3C nonprofit organizations. Dennis Weed said that the Friends of Moyie Springs needs to have a minimum of three people on their board. He said that he would like to have Donna Wilson-Funkhouser, Les Love from Idaho Forest Group, and himself on the board and others could be added later. Steve Economu stated that at the last meeting, Dan Remmick from Century West Engineering had said that this was the direction that the City needed to take. Dan Featherston commented on Secretary State filing needing to be received back to due the filings. Donna Wilson-Funkhouser asked if the Council would give a \$100 for the start up of the bank account for the 501-3C, Friends of Moyie Springs Inc. Mayor Farrens said that she was asking for a \$100 from the City to donate to the new organization, Friends of Moyie Springs Inc. Terry Johnson said that the donation that the City had been given was in part for the nonprofit organization. Steve Economu asked if the monies would be coming from that donation received. Tim Narvaez questioned about the EIN number and the setting up the organization. Mayor Farrens entertained a motion to approve a \$100 donation to the Friends of Moyie Springs Inc. A motion was made by Steve Economu and seconded by Terry Johnson to donate \$100 to the Friends of Moyie Springs Inc after the organization setup had been completed. Motion carried.

**2103 Roosevelt Road – Bill Mutter-Suburban Zone Violation:** Mayor Farrens said that Dan Featherston had sent a letter to the Council regarding the Bill Mutter property at 2103 Roosevelt issuing a special zoning use permit and that the Council needed to have a public hearing on it. Dan Featherston said that the reason the Council would need to have the public hearing was the intent was for a special zoning use permit that would be only issued to Bill Mutter and would terminated with him if he transferred the

property, and that this special permit would only benefit him. Steve Economu said that had been stated to Bill Mutter. Dan Featherston that the correct way would be to record the documentation of the special use permit's requirement and limitation on the property's title. Steve Economu said that the City of Bonners Ferry City has a business license to operate a business in the City limits with a small fee annually for this business license. He questioned if our City would benefit to have business licenses for businesses operating in the City limits to keep track of businesses. Dan Featherston said that if you record something on a piece of property, it is there and will pop up when anyone looks at it. Deborah Rauth asked if it shows up with the title work. Dan Featherston said exactly. Dan Featherston the other part would be for the City to have a public hearing. Tim Narvaez said that he was in favor of Dan suggestion of recording the special use permit and limitations on the title as to have the proper paperwork trail. Dan Featherston said that the expense of the recording filing should be expensed to the property owner. Dan Featherston said that he would prepare the paperwork. The Council discussed the public hearing preparations. Tim Narvaez suggested that the Council postpone scheduling the public hearing at that the Council needed to table the discussion until the next meeting and then schedule a public hearing at that time.

**Codification:** Sterling Codifiers had previously mailed a packet to be review of the City's Ordinances codification. Copies of the packet were dispersed to the Council. The City Council needs to review with their suggestions and make corrections. Donna Wilson-Funkhouser asked Rosanne Smith if she wanted a new colored copied packet. Rosanne Smith said that she did not want to be included. Tim Narvaez commented that if it was in the minutes that Rosanne Smith was on the codification committee; then he thought that it should state, in the minutes, that she is now not on the committee. Heather Andrews said that since she was not going to be on the Council next year that she thought the new Council member Geoff Hollenbeck should be given her copy. The Council discussed a special Council meeting to begin the review. A meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 P.M. to begin the review.

**Volunteer Fire Dept. Report:** Ken English reported to the Council that they have been working on the fire trucks in preparation for the winter weather. He added that they were also putting markers on all the fire hydrants for visibility in deep snow. Ken English reported the following: October-4<sup>th</sup>-LEPC Meeting; October 17th- Tree on Power Lines; October 18th – Fire Chief Meeting.

**Water & Sewer Report:** John Nelson reported on the water. Total pumped for October 2017, -5,866,300 gallons. High day was the 31st – 242,700 gallons - Low was the 15th – 99,800 gallons. John Nelson reported that he has been meeting with Dan Remmick from Century West Engineering and John Monks the hydrologist and an electrical engineer for the last week or so. John Monks had placed sensors in all four wells to figure out if they have adequate capacity. An electrical engineer was brought in to figure out what it would take for backup generation to run the system if needed. John Nelson opinion was that the backup generators would be worn out before they would ever be used. Tim Narvaez questioned the need of another water tank. John Nelson said that was possible, but that they wanted to see about the backup power and cover all their bases. John Nelson said that he had ordered the signs for the compression brakes. He said that the State Highway crew would have to install the signs on the State Highway. He said that he had ordered four signs; one for North Division Street, two for Highway 2, and one for the West end of Roosevelt. Steve Economu asked about one being placed on Eileen Road. John Nelson he said he hadn't thought about Eileen Road. Steve Economu questioned if we should. Tim Narvaez questioned the one on North Division Street, as there is a sign that said no trucks already there and if there should be one placed on the East end of Roosevelt. John Nelson said that the no truck sign

is just about to be taken down. John Nelson then asked for permission to buy a plasma cutter to be used to make signs for the City. Tim Narvaez questioned the need. John Nelson said that the cost would be about \$1500. Terry Johnson asked if he would be using for mostly fabrication work. Mayor Farrens asked for the Councils thought on it. The Council discussed the necessity for the plasma cutter. The Council did not give permission. John Nelson added that the plow truck was working.

## Misc Business:

- Election results Mayor Farrens reported that Steve Economu kept his position and that Geoff Hollenbeck would be the new Council member next year.
- Heather Andrews commented on the signs for the Moyie Falls and that there still needs to be more signage to give tourist direction on how to get down to the Moyie Dam. Mayor Farrens asked John Nelson about getting additional signs.

**Discuss & Pay Bills:** Terry Johnson made a motion to pay bills and Steve Economu seconded it. Motion carried.

**Adjourn:** Steve Economu made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Terry Johnson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Attest: City Clerk