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**Regular City of Athol City Council Meeting**  
Held in the Council Room in City Hall

**MINUTES**

**The Mayor called meeting to order at: 7:00 P.M.**

**August 18, 2015**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL** Visitors please sign in, on the back counter.

Present: Mayor Kuhman; Councilman Spencer; Councilman Zichko; Councilman McDaniel; Councilman Miller & Attorney, Randy Adams.

**APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH (July 21st) MEETING MINUTES:**

Motion by Zichko, seconded by Spencer that we approve last month's meeting minutes.

\*DISCUSSION All in favor- **Motion passed**

**APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH (August 3rd) SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:**

Motion by Zichko, seconded by Spencer that we approve last month's special meeting minutes.

\*DISCUSSION All in favor- **Motion passed**

**APPROVAL OF July 14, 2015 5<sup>th</sup> BUDGET MEETING MINUTES:**

Motion by Spencer, seconded by McDaniel that we approve the minutes from the July 14, 2015 Budget Meeting. \*DISCUSSION All in favor- **Motion passed**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED:** Motion by Zichko, seconded by McDaniel that we approve paying July/August's bills with changes; adding Community Library paving bill

\*DISCUSSION-All in favor- **Motion passed**

**TREASURY REPORT- Lori submitted report;** checking balance: \$118,415.58, Savings balance: \$48,201.41 and the LGIP balance: \$365,933.20.

**WATER REPORT- Lori submitted report; July usage was: 10,809,100 gallons**

**\*\*PUBLIC HEARING\*\*:** YES- Public Hearing for the Annual Budget Fiscal Year 15-16, beginning 10/1/15 – 9/30/16. Mayor opened at 7:11pm- Clerk read the total proposed budget revenues \$336,975.00 and expenses \$311,975.00. Mayor asked for any comments, anyone want to speak, hearing nothing, and council had no comments. The public hearing was closed 7:14pm.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- 1. John Hartung, Community Libraries-** addressed council to share 1<sup>st</sup> his appreciation in using the gym for their summer reading programs; he knows there were over 200 kids that attended, and their facility just wouldn't hold and allow for that many. And 2<sup>nd</sup> that

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they are removing old shed at the library and replacing it with a newer (10x12) Ziggy's type style shed. Hopefully this will stand up better with vandalism, the current one has been destroyed by kids. He also presented a final invoice for the paving of the joint parking lot, CDA Paving's actual billing was for a little more than the estimate. The additional portion to the city was \$589.03.

**2. Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget Review/Approval- a Public Hearing-for citizen comment/input was just held at this city council meeting on August 18, 2015 at 7pm.**

Motion by Zichko, seconded by McDaniel to dispense with the rules for the reading of the ordinance on three different days for Ordinance #403. \*DISCUSSION

**Roll Call:** Zichko yes Miller yes Spencer yes McDaniel yes - **Motion passed**

Motion by Zichko, seconded by McDaniel to pass Ordinance #403 an ordinance of the city of Athol. ORD# 403, the Annual Appropriated Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-16 as presented/with no changes for the City of Athol. \*DISCUSSION

**Roll Call:** Zichko yes Miller yes Spencer yes McDaniel yes - **Motion passed**

3. **Athol Daze Review and follow-up-** Lori reviewed the revenues and expenses for this year's event. She also shared that there were over 40 vendors registered for the event and 10 of them were food vendors, with one no-show. We had 24 participants in the parade this year. She would like to have a follow-up meeting to allow for a discussion on things that worked and things that didn't- for next year. Tentative date and time was set for: 8/25/15 @ 3:00pm. A very big thanks to all those who helped make this year's event great, be sure to show your appreciation to the businesses and organizations who donated. CDA Press gave us great advertising deal for Athol Daze and they appreciated the local businesses advertising also.
4. **AIC 200 Cities- History of Athol** – Lori still looking at any updates on the history of Athol for the AIC 200 Cities in Idaho publication. She will be using the history that was used in the current Comprehensive Plan initially. We can update as needed.
5. **IDOL- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act-** this was previously emailed out to Mayor and Council, no questions regarding this matter.
6. **City Banking/possible changing of banks, ORD. #404** – Lori shared 3 different banking options, NCU, STCU and INB; all of the choices will save the city money.

Motion by Zichko, seconded by Spencer to change banks from Wells Fargo and to begin using Spokane Teachers Credit Union (STCU); Lori and the Mayor will get the account open and set-up and an ordinance will be drafted up to officially identify the city's banking choice.

**\*DISCUSSION Roll Call:** Zichko yes Miller yes Spencer yes McDaniel yes - **Motion passed**

7. **Open Enrollment for Medical, Dental, & Vision- Employees & Elected Officials-** Clerk informed council, mayor and staff that if you want to make any changes in your coverage now is this time.
8. **Kootenai County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan proposal of Resolution 2015-03- Mayor** shared the information she was given from the Kootenai County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Motion by McDaniel, second by Spencer to pass Resolution 2015-03, a resolution of the city of Athol authorizing the adoption of the Kootenai County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard

Mitigation Plan Update. \***DISCUSSION Roll Call:** Zichko yes Miller yes Spencer yes  
McDaniel yes **Motion passed**

9. **Discussion on Park hours, possible ORD, etc.** – Mary shared her concerns with needing something to help the officers in enforcement. The Mayor is working with the Kootenai County Sheriff Department; they will be planning a meeting in Sept/Oct. to sit-down together, both the city and the Sheriff's office, to best identify a plan of how to remedy some of the on-going issues the city is having. Our citizen patrol for this area is down to one guy and needs some work to.
10. **Richie Cole-** Mayor ...regarding an Owner Initiated Annexation Petition that was turned into the city on Friday 8/14/15, for possible annexation consideration. Several property owners are requesting to be annexed into the city of Athol, and it included a list of signatures of local citizens who agrees with the annexation. After a brief discussion, it was determined that each property owner, requesting annexation, will first need to complete the cities annexation application. It was also pointed out that the application needs to be received at least 25 days in advance of a council meeting in order to be on the next city council agenda for discussion. Multiple discussions on how to handle and what the appropriate steps are. Once an application is received, the city can begin contacting the various servicing agencies to gather info for the council.
11. **Site Disturbances- Disturbances** (3 Issued/1 tabled) for July/August 2015
  - a. 30150 2<sup>nd</sup> St. putting up a fence. (Ratcliff) **Approved in office.**
  - b. 5850 E Lorraine Dr. an addition; (Corder) **Approved in office.**
  - c. 30645 N Alice Ct. putting in a sprinkler system; (Krapas) **Approved in office.**
  - d. David Bergold- Replacing a mobile home trailer at 30525 N 3rd St. **Pending.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Brook Ganja, Athol, ID- Stated he wanted to be annexed into the city also.

Lane Star, Athol, ID- wanted to say on behalf of the Athol Baptist, they would like to be annexed in also.

Lynn Cole, Athol, ID- spoke regarding the money that can be saved by allowing these annexations to happen. The county codes are very costly to many of these local business, organizations and individuals.

Mayor Kuhman stated she loves that the city doesn't have the fees associated with permits, and thinks it is fantastic that Athol doesn't have all the building requirements.

David Bergold, Athol ID- spoke regarding his pending site disturbance and inquired about needing a 5ft variance; he was instructed to come into the office to get an application for a variance.

Rex Barraclough, Athol, ID – spoke concerning the city retaining flexibility in the Kootenai County All Hazard Mitigation plan that was previously discussed. Was wondering if there is some sort of escape clause that might be in there, so that the cities hand don't get tired.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Staff- Stephen- Needed to know what colors to have the community center building painted. He offered possibly matching the generator build, which is creamy white with dark brown trim or matching the Athol library. After a brief discussion it was determined to match the city library in color (a faded Cape Cod green). John Hartung whom was present would get specific colors for Stephen. Staff- Lori- Lori mention that she was awarded another scholarship to attend the conference in Boise next month, \$200.00; and she also needed direction on where in future meetings to address the city newsletter information. It was determined to put it on its own

line, near the beginning before other business. **Mayor-** Regarding a concealed weapons class that was held recently and there will possibly be a few more; she asked the council to consider waiving the building rental fees, since its citizens directed request, that wanted the class. After a discussion, Council determined that unless they came to council in advance to discuss or if he wasn't receiving compensation for teaching the class that the regular rental rates will still apply.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Spencer, seconded by Zichko to enter in Executive Session as provided by Idaho Code 74-206 § (f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for a pending litigation, or controversies not yet begin litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. \*DISCUSSION**

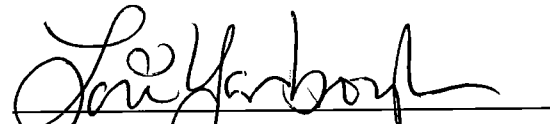
**Roll Call:** Zichko yes Spencer yes McDaniel yes **Motion passed**

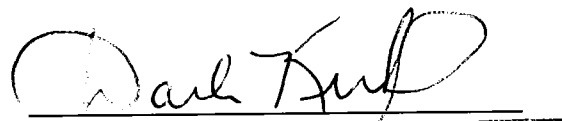
Time begins: 8:53pm      Time ends: 9:05pm

**Motion by McDaniel, second by Zichko to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call:** Zichko -yes  
Miller -yes Spencer -yes McDaniel -yes **Motion passed**

**ADJOURNMENT at 9:06pm**

**ATTEST:**

  
Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer

  
Darla Kuhman, Mayor

Approved at Council on 9/15/15