



Unapproved Minutes Draft

Regular City of Athol City Council Meeting

Held in the Council Room in City Hall

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

7:00pm Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wachter called meeting to order: 7:00 P.M Visitors please sign in.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Wachter; Councilwoman Zichko; Councilman Hill; Councilman McDaniel; Councilman Spencer; Office Assistant, Tanya Ziegler; Public Works, Mark Mitchell
Not present: Clerk/Treasurer, Lori Yarbrough-(in Boise); City Planner, Rand Wichman; and City Attorney, J. Cafferty

ACTION ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF LAST (June 5th) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Motion by Hill, seconded by McDaniel that we approve the last regular meeting on June 5th, without amendments. *DISCUSSION All in favor- **Motion passed.**

APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: Motion by Spencer, seconded by Zichko, that we approve paying June bills as submitted, with amendment of three added bills, bringing the total to \$15,929.60.

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

REPORTS:

TREASURY REPORT-Lori submitted written report with the following ending balances: STCU Checking = \$63,589.21; STCU Savings = \$55,773.77; LGIP = \$616,438.50; Misc. income about \$1,600 was Shane & Josh's regular insurance premiums, Sally restitution & Darla Unclaimed property.

WATER REPORT-Lori submitted written report. **April usage = 2,392,100 gal. (haulers 167,500) & May usage = 4,852,600 gal. (haulers 285,100);** Late fees this month, approximately 26 getting the fee.

PLANNER REPORT-No written report submitted, as Rand has been out of town.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1. Discussion on the Athol City Park – Councilwoman Zichko** – Mary brought up her concern about some teenagers that are causing problems in the park and citizens sharing with her that they feel the city should do more. She has been talking to the sheriff dept and wants people to keep reporting it. Try not to let people bully you stand up to kids being bad. Deputy Brett Clausen- Its up to the community to do more policing. Try and respond when you see things happen, just hard for them to do anything after the fact. It was noted that the city cameras are up and running but often its just too hard to identify people in them. They will be doing more random checks of the park at night. Councilman McDaniel asked when you do catch someone, what do you do? Charge them with trespassing was his response if it's after hours. A citizen spoke, whom works at the elementary school, about the profanity from teenagers in park when young children are present. This was while

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the church group was there even. She feels it's best to speak up to children first, then consider a citizen's arrest file by calling the police. It's a big beautiful park and want more adults to stand up and take the park back. Councilwoman Zichko shared that Thursday they are having a neighborhood watch group meeting at noon. Citizen policing is encouraged by the sheriff's office, just as the previous citizen was discussing. There was also a short discussion about rent a cop type thing and ultimately everyone felt its best at this time to promote citizen policing as discussed; as well as moving forward with creating a community neighborhood watch program.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE- No one present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS **City Council** – Councilman McDaniel- knows Idaho Forest Group bought the mill but wants to be sure the city is keeping better tabs on what they are doing for improvements and such. Maybe have our city water engineer guy Stillman look at and review, rather than sit back and wait for them to come to us and say this is what we have already done and working together more beforehand. He's just asking for the city take the initiative or proactive instead of reactive, since it's the city's water system. Be sure they are getting the correct permits and deal with Rand and the city. Councilman Spencer what is the progress on the path/trail? Mayor said the 1st bid came in at \$14k and not correct as there was no base in it, so we got another bid. Councilman Spencer thought he's asked for it to be on this agenda. The Mayor said the bids were sent to Jim Coleman and we are now waiting to hear back from him. Councilman Spencer wants to be sure this gets done the sooner the better. The Mayor will try to get some answers for the next meeting.

City Staff- Lori gone but Tanya- gave a reminder the next Athol Daze planning meeting coming up on July 19th at 1:00pm. about 12 vendors so far signed up. **Mayor Wachter-** shared that we are having an open house for updating the Comprehensive Plan on Wednesday, June 27th at 7pm.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:21pm

ATTEST:

Bob Wachter, Mayor

Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at Council on