

Approved Minutes Draft

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

Tuesday, April 16, 2019
7:00pm Regular Council Meeting

Mayor, Mary Zichko called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Zichko; Councilman McDaniel; Councilman Hill; Councilman Spencer; Councilwoman Denis, Clerk/Treasurer-Lori Yarbrough; Public Works- Anthony Brandt; City Planner- Rand Wichman; and City Attorney- John Cafferty.

REPORTS:

Treasurer Report – Lori submitted written report and read the ending account balances. STCU Checking = \$74,000.53; STCU Savings = \$106,053.78; LGIP = \$702,658.28; Misc. income was Shane’s regular insurance \$50.00; Josh insurance \$738.65, Kootenai Electric Capital Credits \$1,061.66, Karupiah donation for Beautification for \$500, \$10k from ITD for the trail, and a misc. fax for \$22.50 for a total of: \$12,368.21.

Water Report – Lori submitted written report. February usage = 3,019,737 gal. (haulers 131,699) and **March usage = 1,987,914 gal. (haulers 141,500)**; Late fees this month, 26 getting the fee and 7 accounts that are 60 + days past due and needing shut-off letters. **A reminder the April billing at new rate now in effect, and it’s the first read since last October, hopefully no water leaks are found to have occurred. New rates effective April 1, 2019 for payments due by Wednesday May 15th!!**

Planner Report – Rand submitted a written report and summarized the following: **DH Holdings/Krivor Annexation** – A little progress, waiting on surveyor, probably be ready for the council next month. **Building Location Permit** No new permits issued. **The Crossings** – Anthony watching the construction on an access road and water main extensions and irrigation line installations. Developers still working towards the list of things needed for final approval of the sub-division. Nothing new from DEQ. Still working out the concerns over the warranty and integrity of the work on the water lines. **Code Enforcement** – Continue to monitor others, and nothing new to report. **Comprehensive Plan update** – A public hearing delayed until May 21st meeting, due to an error in publication at the CDA Press. **Others**- Looks like Idaho Forest Group is looking at moving forward towards some portion of an annexation; and Gary Fast still working on possibly sub-dividing his lot at the White Pine, into a couple 2 or 3 parcels; Rand advised him that he will need to remedy the violations before a sub-division would be allowed and so Rand hopes to see some progress there soon.

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. III-A Executive Director, Amy Manning to present the Annual Report for the Idaho Independent Intergovernmental Authority (III-A) to the Athol City Council.** Amy began by sharing again that the III-A is a self-funded public health insurance pool, and the City of Athol is a member. She then gave a brief run-down of the annual report and went through it briefly by section. A copy of the report will be kept in city hall.
- 2. ~~Chief Steele, with Timberlake Fire District to discuss their upcoming Levy~~ Not present.**

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3. **City Cemetery Road Improvements-** Anthony brought up his concerns of the condition of the road going into the city cemetery and wanted to discuss with the council some possible improvements that he might do up there. Two other points of discussion was him possibly clearing land and the wonder or concern regarding us having a road right of way or not. More research will be done by staff and Anthony will look into some costs of doing some minor repairs. It was mentioned by Councilman McDaniel that we need to consider the water tank improvements that will be going on up their next year and didn't want us to put too much money into something that might be torn up next year. More discussion to come on this matter.
4. **Spraying for Noxious Weeds-** Anthony to discuss now that the county is no longer paying and doing this it is on the city. We were contacted by the company in which we buy the chemicals and they were asking about us getting it through them and such. Cost estimate to be about \$1700.00. After a short discussion it was thought to be ok to just skip this year and see how things would out for next year. And we will also plan to add this expense into the budget for next year.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. APPROVAL OF THE April 2nd REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Motion by Spencer, seconded by Hill that we approve the regular meeting on the 2nd, minutes without amendments. *DISCUSSION All in favor- **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

2. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: Motion by Hill, 2nd by Spencer to approve paying April/May bills as submitted without amendments. *DISCUSSION- All in favor- **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

3. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/APPROVAL - the Athol Farmer's Market and Ron Nelson, with Philly Express, to propose an on-site stand on city property year-round. Ron Nelson and Nikki shared a new drawing layout with the council and a small discussion on the matter was held. Motion by Hill, second by McDaniel that we allow the Athol Farmer's Market/Ron Nelson to place a stand during the Farmer's Market in a semi-permanent place, for one season; to be further worked out and to direct an agreement be drafted up by attorney John Cafferty and work with the staff on the details of the agreement. *DISCUSSION Roll Call: Denis-yes; McDaniel-yes; Spencer-abstain; Hill-yes. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

4. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL to allow a follow-up class for the Ham Radio training at no charge. – Councilman Spencer Motion by Denis, second by McDaniel, to allow use of the community center for a Ham Radio follow-up class- free of charge on 4/24/19. *DISCUSSION Roll Call: McDaniel-yes; Spencer-yes; Hill-yes; Denis-yes. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: None

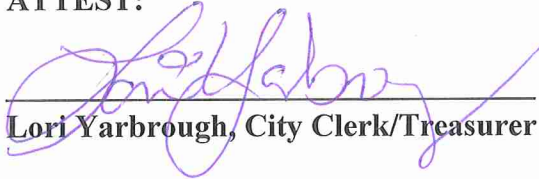
PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS City Council- None, **Mayor-** None, **Staff – Lori-** 1) shared that the USDA Rural Development agreement has been completed and signed by the Mayor, Keller and RD, just working on some water rate figures for RD since we made some rate changes. 2) We received our notice and final option on the adjudication for the city's water rights (#95-9456 1.500cfs 1/26/1995; #95-9572 0.380cfs 122.50AFY 11/15/1968; #95-9877 0.550cfs 4/17/1981). Stillman and Lori has reviewed- neither seeing anything new or different same as we last reviewed, 2.05cfs. Lori and Anthony did look to see if there were any other water rights inside of Athol City limits, and found none, IDWR confirmed finding none. So, our city action now is to do nothing, as we see no problems/we don't contest the right they have listed for the city. 3) the Mayor, Lori and Anthony will be attending the IDOL for a Wildfire workshop, to discuss preparation for wildfires in our community this Thursday. **Anthony-** gave an update on the issues with CDA Paving and getting the trail paved. He did get a new bid from Interstate, and also CDA Paving is saying we are under contract with them, which is good for the last years pricing, but bad

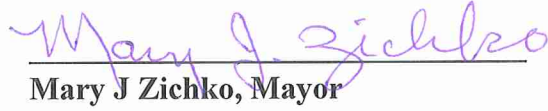
because they are also saying they will need to do a change order for the pre-work as it wasn't included in the quote making their quoted price of the project go up. Making this matter a little more challenging right now- Anthony will continue to work on this. **Councilman McDaniel** also raised the concern regarding any more broken lines due to the poor workmanship in the newly installed water lines by HJ Grathol(Compass) and asked if we might be able to get something final there for the protection of the city, in the event there is a break in the line again, because it's going to cost the city more to fix as the trail will then be paved and have to be broken and repaired. John and Rand were going to work on this further.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:34pm.

ATTEST:



Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer



Mary J Zichko, Mayor

Approved at Council on 5/7/19

