

Approved Minutes

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

Tuesday, August 20, 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, City Clerk/Treasurer-Lori Yarbrough; Public Works- Anthony Brandt; City Planner- Rand Wichman; and **Not Present:** City Attorney- John Cafferty.

**REPORTS:**

**Treasurer Report** – Lori submitted written report and read the ending account balances. STCU Checking = \$64,094.94; STCU Savings = \$106,231.14; LGIP = \$753,948.84; Misc. income was Shane’s regular insurance \$50.00; Josh’s regular insurance \$734.05; Fat Beam \$470.77; American Legion Caterer’s Permit \$20.00.

**Water Report** – Lori submitted written report and read aloud. June usage = 5,494,653 gal. (haulers 284,300) and **July usage = 8,303,384 gal. (haulers 483,900); Billing in July was \$15,530.00 plus \$410.00 in late fees and collected was \$13,529.90.** Late fees this month are 29 accounts, 12 or so accounts may be getting shut-off letters.

**Planner Report** – Rand submitted a written report and summarized the following: **Building Location/Site Disturbance Permits** – Three new building location permits were submitted, 1 approved and 2 are pending. L. Miller has an agenda item tonight, related to his application that is pending; N. Collison will need to combine lots before an approval can be given; and A. McCorkle for a new house was approved. **Crossings at Athol** – The dedication of Phase 1 water system improvements to be further discussed tonight. Some progress on the infrastructure issues for Phase 2 of the development has been made. DEQ is out with a public comment period now for the sewer system, so there may be some movement on this in the near future. **Code Enforcement** – no new action. **Cole Annexation** – Rand has given them an updated reimbursement agreement so there may be some movement in the near future. **Other/Misc.** – 1) Application for subdivision from Gary Fast property on Old Hwy 95, is 100% complete and a reimbursement agreement has been sent to him. 2) nothing new on the Cyd Rossi Special Use Permit to allow residential use on commercial property at the old Love’s gas station; we are still waiting on agency comment from the fire department before we schedule a public hearing.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. APPROVAL OF THE August 6<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:**

**Motion by Spencer, seconded by McDaniel that we approve the regular meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup>, minutes without amendments. \*DISCUSSION All in favor- Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

**2. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: Motion by Spencer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McDaniel to approve paying August/Sept bills as submitted without amendments. \*DISCUSSION- All in favor- Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

*NOTE: The City will make reasonable accommodations for anyone attending this meeting who require special assistance for hearing, physical or other impairments. Please contact the City Clerk at (208) 683-2101 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting date and time.*

3. **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL for L. Miller's request for Partial fee waiver related to a Code Amendment request.** City Planner, Rand- spoke briefly explaining how there was a Building Location permit application received that has some problems, and this led to the applicant requesting the council to consider a code amendment, that could affect his situation; but also pointed out that tonight's agenda item is really only related to the request of the applicant asking for a reduction of the fee. There will be a public hearing set for probably the 2<sup>nd</sup> council meeting of the month in September on this matter. There was a short discussion and then the following motion was made: Motion by McDaniel, second by Spencer that we approve the request for partial fee waiver on a code amendment request by L. Miller. \*DISCUSSION Roll Call: Denis-yes; McDaniel-yes; Spencer-yes; Hill-yes. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

4. **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL for the IDWR SF5's regarding the Idaho Dept. of Lands objection to the City's claimed water rights-** Lori shared that the Attorney absent' see John's email. Not much of a discussion to be had as this has been an on-going discussion. Council made the following motion. Motion by Denis, second by Spencer that we agree and approve of the Mayor's signature on the SF5's drafted by IRWA, regarding the Idaho Dept. of Lands objection to the Cities claimed water rights. \*DISCUSSION- Roll Call: Denis-yes; Hill-yes; Spencer-yes; McDaniel-yes. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

5. **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of Phase 1 Water Improvements for the Crossings Development; and Authorize the Mayor's signature once final documents are completed;** - City Planner, Rand and Anthony to lead this discussion. Rand shared that the city has received a recommendation from the Engineer, Kyle, on the duration and amount of the bond, in an email dated 8/1/19; for \$100,000.00 for 2 years. Final drafts of the Water Improvements associated with the opening of Super 1 for things like the new well, the well lot, water mains and warranties are being prepared and should be ready soon. Today we are asking for the council to approve the mayor's signature once they are ready. Anthony and Jim Coleman shared there is still one last minor failsafe thing to happen and it should be next week probably, about the same time the papers should be ready. Coleman went on to share that this failsafe is something they are offering to do to prevent the water tower from over flowing in the future \*DISCUSSION Motion by Hill, second by McDaniel to approve the Phase 1 Water Improvements for the Crossings Development; and authorize the Mayor's signature contingent upon the City attorney's review of the final paperwork. Roll Call: McDaniel-yes; Denis-yes; Hill-yes; Spencer-yes: Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

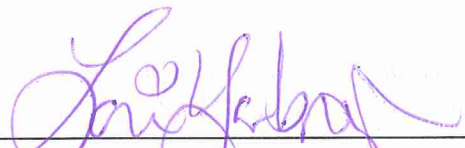
6. **Public Hearing Postponed for the FY2020 Budget-** Staff requests we re-publish the draft budget with the new updates and hold the public hearing on Tuesday Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Lori shared with the council the oversight on the L-2 levy paper work, that will result in an additional \$21,649.00 from new construction dollars. She will plan to repost, re-publish with the changes and the new public hearing will be scheduled for the Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> regular council meeting.

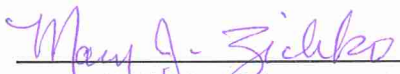
**PUBLIC COMMENTS-** No comments.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** City Council - None / Mayor - None / Staff - Lori just shared briefly her appreciation to the council, staff and citizens who helped out with Athol Daze. Will try for a financial review of it for the next council meeting.

**ATTEST:**

**ADJOURNMENT at 7:42pm.**

  
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Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer  
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Mary J Zichko, Mayor

Approved at Council on 9/3/19