

City of Athol City Council Workshop  
Held in the Council Room in City Hall

Tuesday, November 13, 2018  
7:00pm Special Meeting and Public Hearing for the Block Grant Application

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00pm / ROLL CALL: Visitors please sign in.

**Attendance and Visitors:** Mayor Zichko; Councilman Hill; Councilwoman Denis; Councilman McDaniel; Dorian Komberec with PAC; Nancy Krieger- citizen; Jim Harroun- citizen; Marge Whallon- citizen; and City Clerk/Treasurer- Lori Yarbrough.

**INTRODUCTION FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING-** The mayor introduced Dorian Komberec with Panhandle Area Council (PAC), and she spoke briefly about the grant and the process. She gave a brief note regarding documents available and present: the appendix's and map and a full copy of the Block Grant application. Next, she pointed out and discussed several areas, such as: the scope of work (pg6); budget (pg9); schedule (pg10); project benefits (pg19&20); Benefit to Low Moderate-Income Group (pg20); the map which listed the priority #1 and priority #2 and #3 areas; identified the two parts to the applications; and finally, the economic advisory council page. She ends by sharing her availability after if anyone has any additional questions.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** The mayor opened the hearing at 7:50pm stating its purpose was to take and consider public comment on the city's application to Idaho Commerce for the Community Development Block Grant. The Mayor stated how the public hearing will proceed. Individuals can stand and approach podium, speak loud and clear- it is being recorded, state your name and address for the record.

**The first comment/question by Jim Harroun was:** what will stop the bill from going over \$55.00. Councilman McDaniel spoke sharing nothing other than the council gave their word that they wouldn't commit the city to more than the \$55.00.

**The second comment/question by Nancy Krieger was:** Are you lowering the amount of water and if so to what. Her answer was address that this is a decision the council has yet to make. They will be reviewing the rate and usage in December.

**Finally, Councilwoman Denis asked:** Will the businesses be getting their rates lowered because she feels they pay too much right now. Councilman McDaniel replied that's something the council still needs to discuss; but that is what they had been talking about- getting away from residential and commercial rates, having one rate system. The mayor closed the public hearing at 7:59pm.

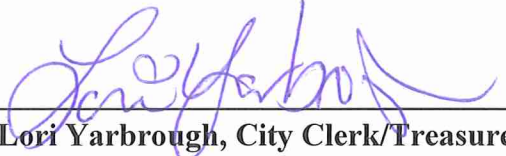
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**ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1) APPROVAL/Motion by McDaniel second by Hill to authorize the Mayors signature on the certification page for the Community Development Block Grant with Idaho Commerce and the cover letter. \*DISCUSSION Roll Call: Hill-yes; Spencer-yes; McDaniel-yes; Denis-yes. - Motion passed. **ACTION ITEM**
- 2) APPROVAL/Motion by Denis second by McDaniel to allow Panhandle Area Council to submit the Grant application for the Community Development Block Grant on behalf of the city. \*DISCUSSION Roll Call: Hill-yes; Spencer-yes; McDaniel-yes; Denis-yes. Motion passed. **ACTION ITEM**
- 3) APPROVAL/Motion to approve the NOVEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES as presented with the corrected name change request. \*DISCUSSION All in Favor. Motion Passed. **ACTION ITEM**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ATTEST:**

  
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Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer

  
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Mary J. Zichko, Mayor

Approved at Council on 11/20/18