

Approved Minutes

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

Tuesday, April 6, 2021
6:00pm Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Hill called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Hill; Councilwoman Baldwin; Councilwoman Denis; Councilman Stack; Deputy Clerk-Tanya Ziegler, Public Works-Anthony Brandt. Not Present: Councilman McDaniel; Clerk/Treasurer-Lori Yarbrough; Caitlin Kling, Attorney & Rand Wichman, City Planner.

No one present via Zoom.

REPORTS:

Water Report – Lori submitted written report; Tanya read aloud the usage.

Public Works – Anthony submitted February & March written reports.

ACTION ITEMS:

1) APPROVAL OF THE March 16th REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Motion by Denis, that we approve the last regular meeting on the 16th, minutes without amendments.

*DISCUSSION All in favor-none opposed. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

2) APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: Motion by Stack, that we approve paying April/May bills as submitted without amendments. *DISCUSSION-All in favor-none opposed. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

3) DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of Resolution 2021-05, The Fair Housing Resolution, declaring April as the Fair Housing Month – Motion by Denis, to approve Resolution 2021-03 declaring April as Fair Housing Month. *DISCUSSION Roll Call: Denis=yes; Baldwin=yes; Stack=yes. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

4) DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of Resolution 2021-04, the All-Hazard Mitigation Plan of Kootenai County. Something we need to review every 5 years. Motion by Baldwin, to approve the renewal of the City's participation in the All-Hazard Mitigation Plan, Res2021-04. *DISCUSSION Roll Call: Baldwin=yes; Stack=yes; Denis=yes. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

5) DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of a Timberlake Fire District Request on the City's Interest of an Impact Fee Ordinance - Fire Commissioner, Rudy Rudebaugh discussed Impact Fees and how other cities and counties in Idaho are participating. He discussed how impact fees help by making growth pay for itself, instead of relying on existing taxpayers. New residences and businesses would pay an impact fee at time of application. Fire Districts are not allowed ordinance authority to collect impact fees, so they are asking if the city would be interested in passing an ordinance to help the Fire District collect these fees. After a brief discussion, the following was made: Motion by Baldwin, that the City is showing interest in an Impact Fee Ordinance. They are open to more information. *DISCUSSION Roll Call: Baldwin=yes; Stack=yes; Denis=yes. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

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6) **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of Timberlake Fire District, Memorandum of Understanding – Fire Commissioner, Rudy Rudebaugh** discussed how the Fire Dept. and the City could work together to give customers a one-stop place to get and pay for applications and permits. **Motion by Denis that the City is showing interest in this.** *DISCUSSION- *the MOU/agreement just presented will be reviewed by city attorney and brought back to the council.* **Roll Call:** Stack-yes; Denis-yes; Baldwin-yes. **Motion passed.** **ACTION ITEM**

7) **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of the Audit for Fiscal Year 2020, conducted by Anderson Bros.** **Motion by Baldwin, to accept the Audit as presented, for Fiscal Year 2020 audit.** *DISCUSSION – The council had no questions. **Roll Call Vote:** Stack-yes; Denis-yes; Baldwin-yes. **Motion passed.** **ACTION ITEM**

8) **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of Tree Removal in the Water Improvement Project –** Mayor Hill and Anthony discussed the tree situation and the costs related to the water line project. The roots of some trees in the city right-of-way were damaged during the water improvement project. Should they be taken down and who should be responsible to pay for it? The main reason this had become an issue, that was not previously identified was that the Avista markings were in the wrong area, which caused the contractors to move the line a little further to the east of what was planned, which brought it closer to the trees and roots in question. The Mayor is ok with the city paying for the one tree on the southern half of 4th street, it will cost \$400.00 and do that outside of the project. But a motion is needed for the others. After much discussion, the following was made: **Motion by Baldwin, to have the engineer and or the contractor pay for the removal of the four trees on 3rd St., and not the City.** *DISCUSSION **Roll Call:** Denis-yes; Stack-yes; Baldwin-yes. **Motion passed.** **ACTION ITEM**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Adam Grinstead - shared that he was glad the tree in front of his house was going to be taken down. Rudy Rudebaugh - suggested that the City cut & split the wood from the trees to be taken down and sell at Athol Daze auction.

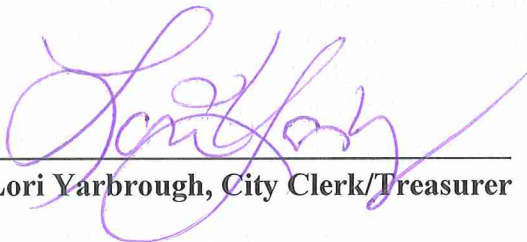
ANNOUNCEMENTS City Council- none / Mayor-none / Staff-none

ADJOURNMENT at 6:39pm

ATTEST:



Bill Hill, Mayor



Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at Council on 4/20/21