

**Approved Minutes**

## Regular City of Athol City Council Meeting

Held in the Council Room in City Hall

**Tuesday, August 15, 2023**

### **6:00pm Regular Council Meeting**

Mayor Hill called the meeting to order at 6:08 P.M. **Mayor shared due to the active fires in and around Athol, there was not a budget workshop at 5pm; and we are planning on making this meeting as quick as possible.**

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Hill; Councilwoman Devine (via phone); Councilman McDaniel (via phone); Councilwoman Kramer; Clerk/Treasurer-Lori Yarbrough; Public Works-Kevin Foster; Attorney, Zach Jones; and Rand Wichman, City Planner. Absent: Councilman Cutaiar.

#### **REPORTS:**

**TREASURY REPORT** - Lori submitted the July 2023 report; as shared she included the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial statement YTD; it will be added to the city website for anyone to look at.

**WATER REPORT** – Lori submitted a written report, no questions.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT** – Kevin submitted a written report, there were no questions for him.

**PLANNER REPORT** – Rand submitted his written report and has nothing further to add. Councilwoman Kramer asked- if the Luxury Garage Condos will be amending their permits or if the council will see anything coming back to them regarding any changes, she heard they might be doing. Rand shared that he is reviewing the purposed changes, not sure if or what will need to come back to the council. He thinks they are just shortening up a couple of the buildings and then saving the rest for a phase to do later. He will keep the council updated. Councilwoman Devine asked if they (LGC) don't build those building as big, we will have to refund them money for impact fees. Rand responded that he believes that will be on the fire district to consider and refund any fees if necessary.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

##### **1) APPROVAL OF THE July 18<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:**

**Motion by Kramer**, that we approve the last regular meeting minutes on the 18<sup>th</sup>, without amendments.

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

##### **2) APPROVAL THE August 1<sup>st</sup> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:**

**Motion by Devine**, that we approve the last regular meeting minutes for the 1<sup>st</sup>, without amendments.

**\*DISCUSSION \*** All in favor-none opposed. **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 48 hours in advance of the meeting date and time.*

3) **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED:** Kramer went into the city office to review the list, as the power, internet issues may have been related to the fires and Lori didn't get the list printed yet. She will provide the council with a copy after the meeting for their records. Motion by Kramer that we approve paying the August/September bills as she reviewed on Loris's screen (printer problem) without amendments. \*DISCUSSION- -All in favor- none opposed. Motion passed. **ACTION ITEM**

4) **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of the Order of Decision for the Application for the Conditional Use Permit by the Dippolitos, Located at 5960 E Menser Avenue.** This was an application for commercial use of a daycare in a residential zone that will be operated by Sonrise Christian Daycare and Preschool. Considering the current fires and city evacuation the attorney advised the council and mayor not to address this item at this time. This item will come back before the council at the next regular meeting. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

5) **DISCUSSION/DECISION of the Request for Reconsideration for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a church in the residential zone.** This item was officially requested by the applicant to be removed, they decided to no longer seek a request for reconsideration. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

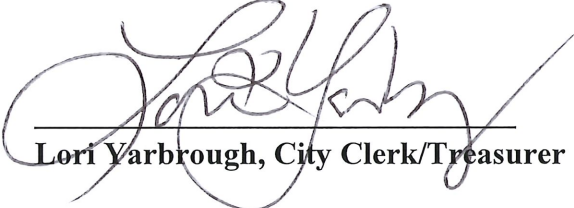
6) **DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of a tentative Fiscal Year 23-24 Athol City Budget.** Lori just shared the copies of the proposed draft budget, it is balanced, but only a few minor adjustments updates were made to this FY 2024 budget since the first meeting. The Budget Appropriation Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2024 will be held on Tuesday Sept 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Lori shared this will allow us to get this draft in the paper to meet the requirements and that council can still meet to make any adjustments they feel necessary, it just can't be increased. Motion by Devine to approve the tentative FY 2024 Annual City Budget Appropriation as presented without changes and to direct Clerk to publish the Notice of Public Hearing in the newspaper. \*DISCUSSION – Due to the current fire condition the Council did not discuss any detail nor decide when a workshop, would be scheduled. **Roll Call:** McDaniel-yes; Devine-yes; Kramer-yes. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** City Councilman McDaniel asked Rand a question regarding the waterline easement and Idaho Guns wanting to pave over the lines. Rand said he will need to talk with the attorney Zack regarding this matter. **Councilwoman Devine** – Wanted to know what the fire district would say about it. **Councilwoman Kramer** – asked about whether or not it is legal to fly drones over people's houses. The attorney didn't know off hand and said he could investigate it. / **Mayor** – none. / **Staff** – **Lori** 1) Reminded everyone of the upcoming Election Declarations dates being Monday August 28<sup>th</sup> through Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – No comments, no public present or signed in.

**Adjournments at 6:24pm.**

**ATTEST:**

  
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**Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer**

  
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**Bill Hill, Mayor**

Approved at Council on 9/5/2023