

7:00 pm

August 21, 2019

**670th MEETING OF THE
HORSESHOE BEND CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Pat Goff called the meeting to order with Councilpersons Cooper, Riley and White present. Also present Treasurer Terrie Nolan as acting clerk and Attorney Tony Pantera.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to approve the agenda. Councilwoman White **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Councilman White made a **motion** to approve the minutes for the July 17, 2019 meeting of the City Council. Councilman Riley **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Councilman Riley made a **motion** to approve the minutes for the August 7, 2019 meeting of the City Council. Councilwoman Cooper **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to pay the City's bills as presented. Councilman Riley **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Public Comments:

Jon Dufresne of Eagle, Idaho- Jon stated that if the executive session on the agenda is responding to his attorney's letter a lawsuit could be avoided if his attorney could meet with the Council to discuss the issue. He feels that since, there is not any water or sewer being used on his property at 121 Payette River Ave., he should not be billed for water and sewer.

Margaret Purdome-Margaret wanted to bring it to the Council's attention that three horses were out the other day and the neighbors called around to figure out who the owners were. She feels making people register their animals is taking away their rights. She stated that government is taking away her freedoms and she does not feel that is right.

Venita Olsen- Venita asked where the fees for registering horses would go. Tony Pantera answered that the fees would be covering administration costs. She has concerns that we have dogs running around and the budgeted money is not being used correctly.

Milo Kennedy- Milo wanted to let any FFA and 4H kids know that he would be willing to let them house their animals on his land if they could not keep them in city limits.

Open Public Hearing at 7:13pm.

Terrie Noland, City Treasurer- Terrie asked if there were any concerns with the proposed budget.

Public comment:

Jon Dufresne asked why we were budgeting \$8,000.00 for a dog catcher and we still had dogs running at large.

Sheriff Kaczmarek responded that the Sheriff's Department will respond to dogs at large.

Written comment:

No written comment was presented.

Public hearing was closed 7:15pm.

Public hearing was opened 7:15pm.

Terrie Nolan explains that the forgone amount the City is requesting will be used for painting the out buildings.

There was no public testimony.

Public hearing closed at 7:16pm.

New Business:

- **Dennis Chestnut:** Dennis was not able to attend.
- **Final Budget FY2020:**
Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to approve the budget for fiscal year 2020. Councilman White **seconded**. **Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**
- **Appropriation Ordinance #259:**
Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to approve and publish Appropriation Ordinance #259. Councilman Riley **seconded**. **Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**
Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to waive the three readings rule and read and publish by title only Appropriation Ordinance #259. Councilman Riley **seconded**. **Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**
- **Resolution 2019-02:**
Councilman Riley made a **motion** to approve Resolution 2019-02 for the forgone tax amount. Councilwoman Cooper **seconded**. **Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**
- **Wage Study:**
Gina Elmer provided a wage study and explained how she was earning credits toward Clerk Certification. Councilman Riley would like the mayor to perform job evaluations for the City workers to show merit. Mayor Goff said he would be happy to do evaluations for consideration.
- **Sheriff Kaczmarek- Law Enforcement contract:**
Sheriff Kaczmarek sent over comparison statistics between Horseshoe Bend and Idaho City. These included the number events, stops made, tickets written, hours of coverage per week, and amounts budgeted. There was discussion about the pro of having a city police department and advantages of contracting with Boise County Sheriff's Department. Councilman White says that he has heard complaints about the prosecutor not following through with prosecution and that there is not a police presence during the day. Sheriff Kaczmarek said that if someone were to get him peak times that people are

speeding through neighborhoods he could try and provide more coverage during that time. He also said that a list of the ordinances along with fees and fines should be sent to the prosecutor to make sure they are prosecutable. The Sheriff will also be sending a monthly report and attending City council meetings quarterly.

- **EMT Training:**

Michele would like to attend a mental health and wellness seminar in Garden City. There is also EMT ski and mountain trauma training in Hailey November 7-9th and the classes are filling up fast. Registration is due and some of the EMTs would like to attend. Councilman White feels the EMTs should be able to receive as much training as they can. Councilman Corvinus made a **motion** to allow the EMTs to attend these trainings up to \$1200.00. Councilman White **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Old Business:

- **Water/Sewer Rate Workshop:**

Amy Woodruff has reached out to Dave Flescher at USDA about doing a third party rate study. If Council is interested she will coordinate and with staff to get the data. They will look at rates, expenses, income, and long term capital improvement funds. Council feels this would be a good idea.

- **Animal ordinance workshop:**

Tony provides Council with a draft ordinance and explains the changes that were made. Councilman Riley would like to see our nuisance and noise ordinances increase to accommodate. We need to make sure the ordinance has enough teeth to it to prosecute. Councilman White would like more time to consider this draft. Mayor Goff feels we need to consider what other towns are doing concerning animals. Venita Olsen says that half acre per animal is the best option considering how small most of the parcels in the city are. Councilman White want to make sure that everyone is held accountable to the ordinances.

Department Updates:

- **EMS:**

Michele Brothers: They had seventeen runs this month. Brandi Eller passed her EMT test so they are working to get her more experience. Councilman White asks how all the EMTs are doing after the bad call last month. Michele said everyone is doing better and all have returned to work. This call has brought about some changes to the way debriefings are handled and also volunteer departments will be allowed treatment through the ICRIMP insurance.

- **Public Works:**

Michele Brothers: They are working with the help of some people in need of community service to complete a few projects. Cleaning up some areas and getting ready for fall.

- **City Engineer:**
Amy Woodruff: She received notice from Idaho Transportation Department that the actual cost of the new sewer line will be \$495,000.00. She will be working with Jobie and Michele on the well project which should go smoothly. Councilman White told Amy thank you for the services you provide the City.
- **Attorney:**
Tony Pantera: Mr. Pantera said that he would look into the fines in our ordinances and call Richard Linville about them.

Public Comment:

Sandy Fenton asks about when the street sign will be placed on Madison.

Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to enter into executive session pursuant to IC 74-206 1(F) & (B) at 8:47pm. Councilman White **seconded**. **Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilman Corvinus-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**

Out of Executive Session 9:23 pm.

Meeting Adjourned 9:24 pm.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor