

7:00 pm

June 19, 2019

**667th MEETING OF THE
HORSESHOE BEND CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Pat Goff called the meeting to order with Councilpersons Cooper, Corvinus, and Riley present. Also present, City Clerk Gina Elmer and Attorney Geoff Schroeder.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Riley made a **motion** to approve the agenda to include moving public comment to follow appointment of new City Council member and return to new business starting with Venita Olsen first. Councilwoman Corvinus **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Councilman Corvinus made a **motion** to approve the minutes for the 664th and 665th meeting of the City Council on May 15, 2019 and May 16, 2019 meetings. Councilwoman Cooper **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

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

New Business:

Appoint New Councilmember:

Mayor Goff would like to appoint Martye White as the newest Councilmember. Councilwoman Cooper made a motion to accept the appointment of Martye White to the Council. Councilman Riley seconded. All ayes. Motion carried. The City Clerk read the oath of office and Martye White was sworn in.

Public comment:

Margaret Purdome: She has lived in Horseshoe Bend for thirty years and would like Ordinance 257 to be changed back to the original.

Jessica Ortman: She has had horses in town the last two years. Animals need to be rotated onto different pastures. She stated even Eagle allows horses within city limits. She also feels the sign ordinance needs to change to allow temporary signs on the school ball fields.

Dave Jacovack: He owns property next to the senior center and across the road on South Riverside Dr. He had planned on bringing in goats to eradicate the weeds on the hillside.

Dale Ortman: He does not support the livestock ordinance. He stated that IC 50-902 was not followed when the City Council passed Ordinance 257. Geoff Schroeder clarified that the Council had voted to suspend the three readings rule and to publish by title only, which is also stated in IC 50-902.

Jon Dufresne: He is okay with there being no livestock allowed in town. His objection is that he feels the meeting was not properly posted and therefore a secret meeting. He requests that there be another meeting held to discuss Ordinance 257.

Sandy Fenton: Sandy was at the special meeting but feels that Ordinance 257 is wrong and should be changed.

Rebecca Mills: She is an Extension Coordinator for the University of Idaho. She says that the 4H program does not just include animal projects, but feels there is money to be gained from raising market animals. She paid for most of her college education with monies received from 4H and FFA market projects. She recited the 4H pledge to show how 4H includes all aspects of life. She feels that Horseshoe Bend is under represented at the Gem Boise County Fair and is working to increase participation.

New Business:

Venita Olsen:

Venita presented Council with a hand out that included pen sizes required for maintaining animals. She wants to know why the public was not notified about the special meeting. Gina stated the agenda was posted on the door of City Hall. Jon Dufresne interrupted by saying that it was a secret meeting. Councilman Riley stated that Jon Dufresne was not allowed to speak during another's turn and if he did not refrain from speaking he would be asked to leave. Mayor Goff says that he has been looking at Emmett's ordinance concerning livestock. Venita was concerned about the animals that are present in the City being grandfathered in. She would like 4H and FFA to be exempt from this ordinance. The animals need smaller pens to allow for weight gain and the kids to get to know their animals well. Mayor Goff asks if Emmett's ordinance has exemptions for 4H or FFA animals. Venita said she did not know. She also stated that some animals get injuries which require them to have veterinary care and close to home. She would also like these animals to be considered. She grew up here and feels having and taking care of animals makes children's lives better.

Mayor Goff:

Mayor Goff presented an amendment to Ordinance 257 to Council. Councilman Riley asks how the city can return to the original ordinance. Councilman Corvinus would like to see some changes made to the ordinance. Geoff Schroeder amended Ordinance 258 to repeal Ordinance 257 and presented a copy to Council.

Councilman Riley made a **motion** to suspend the three reading rules and read by title only Ordinance 258. **Councilman White seconded. Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilman Corvinus-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**

Geoff Schroeder read into record Ordinance 258.

Councilman Riley made a **motion** to adopt Ordinance 258. **Councilman Corvinus seconded. Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilman Corvinus-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**

Mike Fry also asked that IC 20-45 be considered when proposing a new ordinance concerning livestock as he has cows that he grazes within city limits. Geoff suggests having workshops to discuss and then create the ordinance from information that is gathered.

Budget Workshop:

Terrie Nolan presented Council with a proposed budget. Mayor Goff would like to post for another position to help public works with maintenance and reduce overtime. Councilwoman Cooper states that the job description would need to be extensive for clarification of duties.

Councilman White feels that more enforcement of the dog ordinances would help to support the wages. There was also discussion about monitoring the dump station at Chevron and raising sewer rates. Mayor Goff said that he had been in contact with Theuson about using the river property as a staging area during construction. There was also much discussion about ITD projects. Councilman White asked if the City was getting more police presence since we are paying more money. He does not feel that there was enough money coming in for fines. Mayor Goff said he would try to get an itemized list from Boise County Sheriff's Office of the fines received. Councilman White feels there needs to be more of a police presence and would like the city to keep a good relationship with Boise County. Gina says that she will look into the wages of city staff in other towns of our size. Councilman White also asked whether the extrication truck was used very often. Councilman Corvinus said that it was not. There was discussion about selling the extrication truck to the Fire District.

Old Business:

No old business.

Department Updates:

- EMS:
Michele states that there have been seven runs so far this month. There are also mechanical problems with the ambulance. The air conditioner is not working and a circuit board is needed should cost about \$600.00. There is also a problem with the valve exhaust so the ambulance will be taken in tomorrow at 9:00am.

- Public Works:
They put new anthracite in the filters. They are getting lots of projects done such as clean up, replacing bad meters, and mowing. Councilwoman Cooper said someone came in to tell her how nice it looked after the weeds were cut down next to the highway by Chevron. She would also like to see "No Parking" signs on all the narrow streets. People are parking on the streets making it impossible to get emergency vehicles through. Councilman Riley would like to have letters written addressing overgrown lots. Gina will put a message on the water/sewer bills this month concerning this matter. CCRs were completed and Michele asked Mayor Goff to put them up on the website so that the public can view them.

- City Engineer:
Amy Woodruff said they had quite a few things going on. They have been working with Barreto on the letter of intent. The production well project has been advertised and they will be processing the bids for next month. They will have an onsite meeting with Thueson tomorrow morning about the Madison Street Project which will start right after the 4th of July. ITD will be coordinating with Michele and Jobie about the utilities under the HWY55 Bridge. Amy also explained about how a summer rate or conservation charge works. It was agreed that a workshop should be held to discuss water/sewer rates.

Amy also added that Barreto has been great to work with, and they provided lots of information that was required by La Grande for sewer discharge from their plant.

- **Attorney:**
Geoff Schroeder would like the Council to have a workshop concerning the Ordinance. Councilman White asks how easily our ordinances can be legally enforced. He also asks who can enforce them. Geoff answered the questions by reading sections of the ordinances concerning enforcement.

Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to go into executive session pursuant to IC 74-206 1(F) at 9:03pm. **Councilman Corvinus seconded. Roll call: Councilman Riley-aye, Councilman Corvinus-aye, Councilwoman Cooper-aye, Councilman White-aye. Motion carried.**

Council came out of executive session at 9:26pm.
Councilman Riley made a **motion** to allow the attorney to handle the legal action necessary. Councilman Corvinus **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Meeting Adjourned 9:27 pm.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor