



**CITY OF PONDERAY  
REGULAR  
MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 18th 2020**

**CLERK WARREN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBER THOMPSON, COUNCILMEMBER OSBORNE, COUNCILMEMBER MITTON**

**ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY MARSHALL, CLERK WARREN, CHIEF CORNELIUS, PLANNER BRUBAKER**

**ABSENT: MAYOR STEVE GEIGER, COUNCILMEMBER McNEARNEY, ENGINEER**

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.**

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND/OR DISCLOSURES:**

Clerk Warren acknowledged conflict of interest and disclosures statement.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. Approve Bill \$25,303.80**

**B. Approve minutes of Feb. 3rd<sup>r</sup> regular council meeting**

**C. Acknowledge Attorney Report**

***Motion to approve consent agenda***

**Councilmember Thompson/Osborn. Roll Call Vote. All voted in favor. Motion approved.**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:**

**MAYOR:** Councilmember Thompson-At our last meeting we were discussing readdressing and gave Kayleigh the authorization to look into getting the GIS system, which I have no problem with. But there was one statement made that keep sticking with me after the meeting. The statement was "almost every street was going to have to be renamed." That seems pretty drastic to me and really hope that not every street will have to be renamed. I understand the renaming of some of the streets that is a big concern of hers. Planner Brubaker replied that he didn't think that renaming most of the streets was not the case. He thinks that was a summary that was over simplified. He said that most of the streets will remain the same. There is numbering on most of the streets that need redone but not the street names. Some of the name might change to get them in alphabetical order but not the street names.

**CLERK:** I have entered all the Insurance renewal information in your packets. Autumn Taylor will be at the next meeting to answer questions. Regence is going up .42%, a very small amount. Dental is going up about .2%, and Life Map is staying the same. We would like to get insurance for our family members. There are several options that we need to discuss. We will be opening up the budget so that we can spend some Sales Tax money. If we do decide that we want to do something different with the insurance we can address that part of the budget also.

**POLICE:** Chief will work up some figures to present to the council on the Insurance cost.

We finally did get one of the new patrol cars. However, the new computer we got for it is missing some stuff internally, so we still don't have a police car on the street. Now we are working on computers, but we are getting closer. Hopefully the other car will be here in a couple weeks.

Councilmember Mitton mentioned the fire that we had in Ponderay. He thanked Chief Cornelius for being there and sticking through the whole process. Job well done on everybody's part.

**STREET/PUBLIC WORKS:** Clerk Warren told the council that the bids for the Cedar Street project should be done by Thursday or Friday. Clerk Thanked IHD for filling the holes on Kootenai Cut-off and Bonner Mall Way they were getting to be a little large. Councilmember Mitton said that we need to look at the intersection of Birch and 4<sup>th</sup>, where they are working on the new homes, the edge of the asphalt has been breaking up where they are driving over it.

**PLANNING, PARKS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** Planner Brubaker reported that when the City purchased the shoreline property from the Hall family, the City committed to working to acquire the railroad lease from the Halls. The way this works is we work with Jones-LaSalle to transfer the lease from the Halls to the City. As we apply for build grants it will help strengthen the application for the lease to be in the hands of the City. The Friends of the Pend Oreille Bay Trail have committed six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00). Basically, one thousand a year for five years plus the application fee which is six hundred dollars (\$600.00) non-refundable. Planner spoke to Ross Hall and he will give us a letter of authorization to support this. They have been carrying an insurance policy on this property. This lease will cover about a ten thousand foot (10,000) segment. The other thing that the City agreed upon at the time of purchase is, when we do hold the lease, we have agreed to sub-lease a small portion to the Hall family for gathering. This is not on the point, but up above and behind. There was more discussion. This can be discussed more after we finalize the lease.

***Motion to approve BNSF/Jones LaSalle lease agreement***  
Councilmember Thompson/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

**ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:**

**Resolution 2020-2 Weight Limits**

***Motion to approve Resolution 2020-2***

Councilmember Thompson/Osborne. Roll Call Vote. All voted in favor. Motion approved

Councilmember Thompson/Osborne.

Meeting adjourned 6:31 p.m.

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City Clerk/Treasurer Su Warren-Brown

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Mayor Steve Geiger