



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 18th 2019**

MAYOR STEVE GEIGER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: MAYOR STEVE GEIGER, COUNCIL MEMBER KUNZEMAN, COUNCILMEMBER McNEARNEY, COUNCILMEMBER THOMPSON, COUNCILMEMBER OSBORNE

ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY MARSHALL, CLERK WARREN, CHIEF CORNELIUS, ENGINEER HERNDEN

ABSENT: PLANNER BRUBAKER

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND/OR DISCLOSURES:

Mayor Geiger acknowledged conflict of interest and disclosures statement.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chief Mitten told the council that he wanted to compliment the Police Department and their newest Officer Trey Robillard. He has been on several calls with him and he is very professional and he just wanted to say "Job well done".

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approve Bill \$30,547.02 and Treasurers Report

B. Acknowledge Attorney Report

C. Acknowledge Police Report

D. Approve Minutes for Feb. 19th 2019 regular council meeting

E. Acknowledge Minutes for P& Z Feb 13th, 2019 regular meeting

Motion to approve consent agenda

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:

MAYOR: Jamie Jeffries and daughter Ivy asked the council if they can use the streets of Ponderay for the Easter Parade on Saturday April 20th and have the police and fire dept lead and follow the parade. Parade starts at 9:30 on the corner of Birch and Cedar. Council Ok'd and Chiefs said that they would make it work.

Motion to approve giving the same amount of dollars as last year \$100.00

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

CLERK: Clerk reported that she had not received the Audit yet.

2019 Insurance update. Regence went down 1.6 %. The deductible went up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and out of pocket went up to three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). Delta Dental and Life Map stayed the same.

Motion to approve insurance quotes

Councilmember McNearney/Kunzeman. Roll Call Vote. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

Set Budget Hearing Date to Aug. 19th 2019

Motion to approve Budget Hearing Date

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

Final amount of 2018 Bed Tax income is ninety five thousand three hundred and thirteen dollars and thirty seven cents (\$95,313.37) over the prior year.

Clerk had put information into the packets from PERSI on retirement and information on how much PERTSI will be increasing on July 1st.

POLICE: Chief reported that our new guy is out and about. Chief just received Trey Robillard's basic certificate from State of Idaho. So far he has been doing a great job and I have not had any complaints so far.

Mayor Geiger asked how the new garage hold up with the snow and plowing etc. Chief said it was great. They have the heaters installed and are working fine.

New Computer stuff is being installed. The electrical was installed Friday.

STREETS/PUBLIC WORKS: Jesse reported to the council that the City was successful in attaining a grant for pedestrian improvements for four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00). Along McGhee Road. Seven-point three four percent (7.34%) match. The work is slated for 2021 construction season. It was questioned if this was property of Ponderay or is it in Kootenai or County property? The ramps would be to the west side of the road. He will look into that to make sure.

Pedestrian flashing lights on Kootenai Cut-Off Road bid is scheduled to go out the first week of April.

Also, on Kootenai Cut-Off Road there is some areas that the stamped/inlaid concrete is missing. The contractor wasn't able to get to it last year. So if the bid we got last year is still good we will start this project. Make sure that the Council has approved this project bid already? Between this stamped concrete and the pedestrian crossing, because they are going to be replacing some of the concrete at the Pedestrian crossing, if we get good enough bids for the concrete we will have that contractor look at the side of the City Hall building and see how much for a sidewalk on the West side of the building. There was discussion on moving the crossing or the bus stop a little bit away from each other to eliminate confusion on Cross walk vs. bus stop. Either one, if moved a few feet, would help tremendously. This same area is dark and Councilmember Osborne asked if we could get a quote on adding a couple more street lights.

Striping, he will get ahold of Randy with Quality and see if he can't get up here earlier this year. When we get the bid we need to make sure that it will get done earlier than last year. We would like to have it done by "Lost in the 50's", mid May. He will also get Randy to give us a bid for some asphalt work in front of City Hall. The seal that is used in parking lots would help separate the street from our parking area. Mayor would also like 12 new bumper costs. Maybe the black plastic ones that are made of recycled tires so they would not get so beat up.

Jesse met with Brett-Independent Highway-they talked about the ditch clearing last year. Last year he did a lot of clearing out of ditches but we had him do more than just pull all the brush out, we had them scrape the ditches and he thinks that worked out very well.

Anvil Trail-it is where the bike trail currently ends. It has been designed for quite a while and the only hold up has been Planner Brubaker trying to get permission from the property owners for an easement through there. We have a verbal agreement, but we need it in writing. Planner Brubaker told him that we are supposed to have that done by the end of May. Which makes Engineer think we need to go out for bid Now. Get a contractor on board that is committed to making that deadline. In the mean time we will try to get the owners to sign an easement. OK'd to go out to bid. If we get a good enough bid maybe we can have them also go out and pave the section between the new Pape' and the Restaurant. There is a bike path that we made Pape' put in when they built the new building. That bike trail just ended. There is a couple hundred feet left to do. Engineer was ok'd to get out a bid.

We talked last year about taking some of the maintenance money, since we did not spend it, and turning it over to this year and then we could take it all and try to do a bigger project. Council member McNearney suggested Elm. We could do a cost estimate on a couple different ways to do this and cost estimates. 1)New Construction 2) pulverize and repave.

1. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:

A. Resolution 2019-2 Weight Limits

Motion to approve Resolution 2019-2

Councilmember McNearney/Kunzeman. Roll Call Vote. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

Motion to go into executive session per ID code 74-206, subsection 1-

- b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent. and
- f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

**Councilmember Kunzeman/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All voted in favor. Motion approved.
Entered Executive session at 6:30 p.m.**

Out of Executive session at 6:44 p.m.

**Councilmember Osborne/ Thompson.
Meeting adjourned 6:44 p.m.**

City Clerk/Treasurer Su Warren-Brown

Mayor Steve Geiger