



**CITY OF PONDERAY  
REGULAR  
MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 20th 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, PLANNER BRUBAKER**

**ABSENT: ENGINEER HERNDEN**

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.**

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

Mayor Geiger acknowledged conflict of interest and disclosures statement.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approve Bill \$60,605.97**
- B. Approve minutes of May 6th regular council meeting**
- C. Acknowledge Attorney Report April 2019**
- D. Acknowledge Police Report April 2019**

***Motion to approve consent agenda***

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

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:**

**MAYOR:** Mayor Thanked Idaho Transportation Dept. for cleaning the medium in front of Taco Bell, they did a great job smoothing out all the dirt that smushed up with a big tractor this spring. We had also asked them to replace all the reflectors that are bent down and looking kind of bad. So they are going to do that for us.

Mayor received a Kudo for our Police Dept. Kevin Birkamp was on the byway, Sunday evening, said he was stopped by one of our officers who was very polite and professional. Wanted to tell the Mayor that the PD was doing a great job and were very reasonable.

City Clean up day is coming up on Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup>. He is working on getting some of our businesses involved in helping with the medians. He has talked with Pape and a few others that are going to help this year. We need volunteers.

Mayor did talk to Mary Malone, Bonner County Daily Bee, who will be putting an article in the paper about our dog issues.

**POLICE:** Chief thanked Erik, Jesse and the striping crews for getting the roads striped before Lost in the 50'S. That solves a lot of problems when you have that much influx from out of town.

He has been extra busy the last few days, he had two officers out hurt and one person sick and one person on vacation. He had to do everything. Mayor said that we appreciate all the time you have put in Jimmy.

**STREETS/PUBLIC WORKS: Striping**

Planner Brubaker said that the striping has been completed and we have submitted a final punch list. There are a couple requests for services to IHD: there is a culvert at the end of Birch, by the railroad tracks, that is completely rusted out and needs replaced. The main drainage way that passes through the neighborhood, in front of the fire

station, there has been some infiltration and there is a hole in the road. Brett has said that he will go in and put some gravel in and patch the hole. Maybe asphalt patch maybe just compact it with gravel depending on what we decide to do with Cedar.

The Anvil Project, we heard back from the property owner and he has agreed to move forward with it. There will be some changes to the alignment so the path will go in between the Avista poles. What that does is pushes the path completely to the outside of the property. It does make a lot of sense to the property owner and ties it right into the ITD right-of-way along the edge and should work well. One of the things that the property owner wants to see is, that he have some ability to say that this is not working for him and have access temporarily revocable. Planner Brubaker has been talking with Attorney Marshal on how to make that language work. A lot of times on a construction project we have a temporary construction easement. In theory, if this property ever develops, even if we don't do anything, if it develops it is the kind of thing that is on our pathways plan and our transportation plan, our parks plan. If someone develops that property, we would acquire the right-of-way at that time. Apparently, the State, when they did the highway 95 widening, they extended a pathway onto a portion of their property which goes down toward the popsicle bridge with out permission. So he is kind of disgruntled as a result and doesn't want to see it turn into a motorized road. We will start as soon as possible.

There are some trees missing off our Field of Dreams property. We know who did it. We assume it was by accident.

We hope to work with the property owner to see if we can find a solution that is mutually beneficial. About ten acres were logged and some of the trees were mature. There are some smaller trees left.

The build grant was just released for this coming year. We had a debrief and they told us what we can do better next time and one of the things is to get a letter of support from the railroad and ITD. We have already started working on those things. The deadline is the end of July. One of the things on the debrief was not to change the name on your project and resubmit as often as you can. Eventually we may get funded. Mayor said, Let's put the letter of Support on the next agenda for a vote.

Planner reported that he had been in touch with the right people at the Home Depot. They have sent me their forms. Wal-Mart researched the right-of-way and we do have ten feet to work in. So Cliff Warren and I are trying to figure out if we can fit the shelter in that area. We do have to make sure the sidewalk is ADA compliant. I am trying to make it work in that amount of space.

**Budget workshop: Police, Admin.....**

**Councilmember Thompson/McNearney.**

**Meeting adjourned 6:53 p.m.**

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City Clerk/Treasurer Su Warren-Brown

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Mayor Steve Geiger