



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 5th 2019**

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

**PRESENT: MAYOR STEVE GEIGER, COUNCILMEMBER McNEARNEY, COUNCIL MEMBER KUNZEMAN, COUNCILMEMBER THOMPSON, COUNCILMEMBER OSBORNE
ALSO PRESENT: ATTORNEY MARSHALL, CLERK WARREN, CHIEF CORNELIUS, PLANNER BRUBAKER,
ABSENT: ENGINEER HERNDEN, ENGINEER SHAW**

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 \$32,992.53

B. Acknowledge Treasurers Report

Motion to approve consent agenda

Councilmember Thompson/Osborne. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:

MAYOR: Mayor reported that TING-a fiber internet is trying to see if they want to expand into our community. There is a flyer. They are asking for a nine dollar (\$9.00) refundable fee to see if they have enough interest to expand into Ponderay.

Mayor thanked Idaho Transportation Department for their quick action on repairing the potholes in front of Sherwin Williams.

The new Dog Park is finished and is the best dog park in Idaho. It is over the top! If you haven't seen it you should go check it out.

CLERK: City clerk updated the council on the bed tax. 102 and 104 is behind but they have been contacted. As of today, we are six thousand ninety two dollars and eighteen cents (\$6,092.18) short from last year. We will probably make that up when I get them all to catch up.

POLICE: Chief said they are busy but good. He hope Officer Deal will be back next Monday.

STREETS/PUBLIC WORKS: Change Order #2 for McNearney Road intersection widening.

Motion to approve change order #2

Councilmember McNearney/Thompson. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

Cedar Street rebuild 19-20 Capital improvement:

Motion to approve Cedar Street rebuild for next years construction

Councilmember Thompson/Kunzeman. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

Kootenai Cut-Off Ped Crossing update: Basically, most of the work has been prepped and we are waiting on the sign posts to come in. They will be working off to the side and should be done this week.

PLANNING, PARKS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Planner Brubaker update the council on the Pend Oreille Bay Trail mile markers. He introduced Keyan Strock who is working on his Eagle Scout project and he is interested in helping us out. Keyan Strock talked about what he will be doing putting in the markers. He and some others will be putting in the markers next Saturday.

School House purchase and rebuild: Mayor reported that the School House has been there since 1905 so it is about 115 years old. History is very important, and we need to consider our options for purchase and restoration. Sharon Finney talked about her husband's family who had gone to school there. They would like to have it preserved. Planner Miller reported on how much it would cost and if it was even feasible to move the building. The new owners are willing to work with us so that we can purchase two lots and the building and leave it in place. She talked about the one grant possibility that she had looked into to help with the purchase and rebuild. Is an appraisal needed? We have not budgeted for this. There are enough funds available to do this but we would have to reopen the budget. Time is an issue. What would we do with it after it has been rebuilt? Audience commented that this an opportunity to save this historic building. It is a lot of money but it is our history. The value of leaving it where it is at would be the best. Parking might be an issue. There was discussion on using some of the funds from the 1% option tax if it passes.

Motion to approve schoolhouse negotiations for purchase up to \$150,000.00
Councilmember Osborne/Kunzeman. All voted in favor. Motion approved

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:

Resolution #2019-4: to put Local Options Sales Tax on the November ballot.
Councilmember Thompson/McNearney. All voted in favor. Motion approved

TENTATIVE 2019-20 BUDGET APPROVAL:

Councilmember Kunzeman/ Osborne. All voted in favor. Motion approved

Motion to adjourn.

Councilmember McNearney/Thompson.

Meeting adjourned 6:52 p.m.

City Clerk/Treasurer Su Warren-Brown

Mayor Steve Geiger