



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
Nov 5th 2018**

MAYOR STEVE 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, CHIEF CORNELIUS, PLANNER BRUBAKER, PLANNER MILLER, ENGINEER HERNDEN

ABSENT: CLERK WARREN,

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 Council minutes for Oct. 15th, regular council meeting

B. Approve Bill \$30,338.92

C. Acknowledge Treasurers Report

Motion to approve consent agenda

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:

MAYOR: Mayor reported on a Mayors meeting that he attended in Coeur d'Alene about a week and half ago. Lots of discussion on the growth of our State. We are the fastest growing state in the union. Coeur d'Alene is the fastest growing metropolitan area, the fifth largest growing in the County. So lots of growth issues.

"What's Happening Up North" meeting was last week. It was really good to hear folks trying to figure out affordable housing issues and the Labor market.

Next Thursday the 15th we will be doing an open house with the business community bringing them up to speed on the projects that we are working on which include: The Field of Dreams property and the Underpass to the Pend Oreille Bay Trail. It will be at the Ponderay Events Center from 5:530 to 7:30 p.m.

Mayor will be attending the AIC Conference in Boise, on the 30th to discuss Revenue Sharing. He has a letter that he has sent to some of our Legislators trying to enlighten them on our situation, which is pretty grim.

At the end of this month, Carol Kunzeman is stepping down from the SPOT Chair. We need to appoint a new member and if there is no other interest the Mayor would like to appoint Gary Kunzeman to that position.

The Mayor finished a walk challenge from Blue Shied of Idaho and received one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars which he will donate to a local school.

The Ponderay Kitchen is really close to opening.

The Gateway sign has lights up. It looks great. Go by and look at it after dark.

Councilmember McNearney asked what is happening with TING, fiber internet? They are expanding but we do not know any specifics. FatBeam has the school district building hooked up but we do not know how much further they have expanded.

POLICE: Chief reported that Trey Robillard has graduated from POST last Friday. He did well enough that Sandpoint and others are already trying to recruit him. He will start night shift FTO on Friday with Officer Koch.

Chief will be getting new body cams.

Garage is all done.

STREETS: Engineer Hernden reported that it is Grant application season. Because the City is considered an urban area, we don't get to apply for all of the LHTAC grants. This is the second year that they have come up with the Local Strategic emissions program. Which this year the funds are doubled. This year there is twenty three million dollars (\$23,000,000.00) of grant money that we do not need a match and each applicant can apply for up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00). This grant is the one that he thought would be a good fit for the McNearney Road. The more shovel ready the project is the more points you get. So, we did have a design that was done, but not for the entire length of the road, back in 2014. So, he pulled that off the shelf and worked on making it shovel ready. If we can address the drainage on the part that has already been paved, hopefully we can save that and add sidewalk all the way to the park. Then see if we can get everything that is not paved, paved up to the Field of Dreams. Council said to go ahead and apply for this grant. We do need five letters of support. Can we get one from the Police Dept. Fire Dept, BCATT, School Dist. and IHD.

The flashing beacons on KCOR and the Anvil Trail will be next year.

PLANNING, PARKS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Planner Brubaker reported that the lights are on the Gateway sign. We are going to put red and green Christmas lights on the sign for the holidays.

Mayor said that he would like help getting rid of the graffiti on the underpass under the highway. Councilmember Kunzeman offered to help. If we have some left over paint we would be able to go down there any time there is new graffiti and get rid of right away.

Motion to adjourn.

Councilmember Thompson/McNearney.

Meeting adjourned 6:27 p.m.

City Clerk/Treasurer Su Warren-Brown

Mayor Steve Geiger