



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 3rd 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, CLERK WARREN, PLANNER BRUBAKER,

ABSENT: CHIEF CORNELIUS, 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 \$10,470.63

B. Acknowledge Treasurers Report

C. Acknowledge Police Report

Motion to approve consent agenda

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:

MAYOR: Mayor mentioned that he will be out of town from December 18 to January 1st. And all of February.

He has heard that the Post Office will be closed this Wednesday and we will be fixing the floor.

The AIC Summit was informational and educational. He met lots of people. They were talking about Revenue Sharing. Sandpoint will soon be hitting over ten thousand population and are trying to figure out how to replace their Local Options Tax as they will not be eligible because of size. In their case it will cost them about five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) a year in Bed Tax loss. He told them about our dilemma and problems with not having enough funds to cover all our needs. Grocery tax may be eliminated by the State. This would really hurt us. He did find out that if people are on food stamps or getting assistance do not pay sales tax on groceries. Our State, for the first quarter, is down about forty seven million in revenue (\$47,000,000.00). So they will probably not get rid of the sales tax on groceries for a while. They are looking at raising personal property tax exception again. They also talked about Local Option Taxes.

Santa Sack delivery day is Saturday Dec. 15th. They will not be delivering to all of Kootenai. We have asked all Kootenai residents to come to us at the school between special hours.

Mayor and Councilmember Kunzeman have gotten rid of the Graffiti on the trail.

CLERK: Bed tax report shows that even without #104 and #102 we are still fifty six thousand two hundred twenty three dollars and fifty one cents (\$56,223.51) over this time last year. The two that are behind will not get their busines4ss license renewed until they are caught up.

Approve Liquor Licenses: Pizza Hut, Sweet Lou's, Wal-Mart, Silo Bar, Sandcreek Schweitzer Conoco, Golden Dragon, Yokes, Sandpoint Elk's, Laughing Dog, Hayden Beverage.

Motion to approve Liquor Licenses:

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

PLANNING, PARKS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Planner Brubaker reported that he and Jesse Herndon are working on the LHTAC Grant which is due on Thursday. It is for McNearney Road drainage which was designed along time ago. Then the City had some funding to upgrade the road but not enough to put the whole project out to bid. Then it would be to pave the extension to McNearney out towards the Field of Dreams where we have some new businesses that are going in. It would provide sidewalks between the Animal Shelter and the Park.

Field of Dreams committee will be meeting beginning this Thursday, on the first and third Thursday of the month, Dec. Jan. and Feb. The first one will be here at City Hall at 5:30p.m. We need to be careful that we do not have three council members at any one meeting.

Windows look great. Erik will be putting lights on the Gateway Sign this week.

Clerk reported that Thursday Dec. 13th at 10:00a.m. is when we will be putting the sacks together. Then we will start here at City Hall on Saturday Dec. 15th at 9:00a.m. to deliver. Please be here early to load the trolley.

We are going to close this office on Monday and Tuesday Dec 24 & 25th. We will also close Monday Dec. 31st and Tuesday January 1st.

Motion to adjourn.

Councilmember Thompson/Kunzeman.

Meeting adjourned 6:23 p.m.

City Clerk/Treasurer Su Warren-Brown

Mayor Steve Geiger