



**CITY OF PONDERAY  
REGULAR  
MEETING MINUTES  
August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

**MAYOR GEIGER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Geiger, Councilmember McNearney, Councilmember Mitton, Councilmember Thompson, Councilmember Larkin

**ALSO, PRESENT:** City Clerk Peterson, Chief Cornelius, Planning Director Miller, Attorney Marshall, City Engineer Tadic

**ABSENT:** Parks & Community Dev. Director Brubaker

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

**AMEND AGENDA:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1) Approve Bills \$78,174.44.
- 2) Approve Council Meeting Minutes – August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- 3) Acknowledge Attorney Report.
- 4) Acknowledge Treasurer's Report.

***Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.***

**Councilmember Mitton/Larkin. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES**

**MAYOR:**

- Council Meeting August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
  - Great community turnout.

**CLERK:**

- City Clerk Peterson gave updates.
  - Local Option Sales Tax
    - June - \$310,967.69.
  - Bed Tax
    - June - \$46,163.15.
    - Everyone is current.
  - Life Flight Renewal.

**POLICE**

- Mayor Geiger
  - Discussion next meeting.
    - PED Ramp & Railing
    - Heating / A/C Unit

**STREET/PUBLIC WORKS:**

- City Engineer Tadic gave project updates.
  - Bonner Mall Access / War Bonnett
    - Grade / Gravel
      - Early September
  - Field of Dreams
    - Fill dirt delay.
      - Archeologists screening dirt.

- Strategic Initiatives Grant Application
  - Due end of September.
    - 2 million dollars.
    - Connect McNearney Road to Oneida Road.

**PLANNING, PARKS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:**

- Planning Director Miller gave Project Updates.
  - Block Corner Surveying Complete.
    - Repairing Record of Survey.
  - ITD
    - Maple suckers at the end of 4<sup>th</sup> street.
      - Cutting and poisoning 8-22-2023.
    - Paving the dip North on Hwy 95 on 8-30-2023.
    - City Hall Discussion
      - Fix Drainage on the west side.
      - Re-grade two parking spots.
  - Woods Crushing and Hauling
    - Paving 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> early September.
  - Property acquisition on Kootenai Cutoff Rd.
    - Set to close next week.
  - Neighbor Day – September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
  - Addressing McNearney Road
    - Letter being sent out this week.
- **ACTION ITEM** Time Extension Request, File UP22-087, GVD Commercial Property, Special Use Permit

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

**Comments/Questions by Council.**

- Discussion followed.
  - Agreed on a 24-month extension.

***Motion to Approve Time Extension Request, File UP22-087, GVD Commercial Property, Special Use Permit. Councilmember McNearney/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.***

- **ACTION ITEM** Time Extension Request, File UP21-078, Sandcreek Crossing LLC, Special Use Permit

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

**Comments/Questions by Council.**

- Discussion followed.
  - Agreed on a 24-month extension.

***Motion to Approve Time Extension Request, File UP21-078, Sandcreek Crossing LLC, Special Use Permit. Councilmember Larkin/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.***

- North Idaho Ice & North Wilderness Presentation

**Video Presentation by Tim Wilson.**

- Discussion followed.
  - Funding / Donations
  - Building time frame.
- City of Ponderay’s Triangle Dr. Property Discussion
  - Lease or Rental Agreement
    - Mountain Metals / Stancraft Beams
    - \$500.00 a month
  - Option to sell.
    - \$6.00 sq ft. - \$315,200.00

**MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Cygnus, Emerald Industrial Park Dr – Jack Ambrosiani
  - Discussion on drainage issue.

**ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:**

- **ACTION ITEM** Ordinance No. 165R – FY22/23 Appropriation Ordinance Amendment  
An Ordinance of the City of Ponderay, Idaho, amending Ordinance No. 165, the Appropriations Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2022, appropriating additional Monies that are to be received by the City of Ponderay, Idaho in the sum of \$1,412,000.00, providing for repeal of conflicting provisions and providing an effective date.

**Opened Public Hearing at 6:42 p.m.**

**No Public Testimony.**

**No Questions or Comments by Council.**

**Closed Public Hearing at 6:43 p.m.**

**City Clerk Treasurer Peterson read Ordinance No. 165R Title.**

***Mayor Geiger motioned that the rules be suspended and that the proposed Ordinance pass its first reading by Title only and its second and third readings under suspension of the rules and further that the Ordinance be adopted.***

**Councilmember Thompson/McNearney. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- **ACTION ITEM** Ordinance No. 171 – Compensation for Elected Officials  
An Ordinance establishing the Compensation for the Mayor and Councilmembers of the City of Ponderay, Repealing Ordinances, and Providing for Publication and an Effective Date.

**No Questions or Comments.**

**City Clerk Treasurer Peterson read the Ordinance No. 171 Title.**

***Mayor Geiger motioned that the rules be suspended and that the proposed Ordinance pass its first reading by Title only and its second and third readings under suspension of the rules and further that the Ordinance be adopted.***

**Councilmember McNearney/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- **ACTION ITEM** Ordinance No. 172 – Annual Appropriation Bill of 2023-2024  
An Ordinance entitled the Annual Appropriations Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024, appropriating the sum of \$11,960,777 to defray the expenses and liabilities of the City of Ponderay, Idaho, for said Fiscal Year; authorizing a Levy of a sufficient tax upon the taxable Property and specifying the objects and purposes for which appropriation is made.

**Opened Public Hearing at 6:46 p.m.**

**No Public Testimony.**

**No Questions or Comments by Council.**

**Closed Public Hearing at 6:47 p.m.**

**City Clerk Treasurer Peterson read the Ordinance No. 172 Title.**

***Mayor Geiger motioned that the rules be suspended and that the proposed Ordinance pass its first reading by Title only and its second and third readings under suspension of the rules and further that the Ordinance be adopted.***

**Councilmember Mitton/Larkin. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- **ACTION ITEM** Executive Session – ID Code 74-206, Subsection 1-f.  
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.

***Motion to enter Executive Session – ID Code 74-206, Subsection 1-f.***

**Councilmember Mitton/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

**Entered Executive Session at 6:53 p.m.**

***Motion to Exit Executive Session – ID Code 74-206, Subsection 1-f.***

**Councilmember McNearney/Larkin. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

**Left Executive Session at 7:05 p.m.**

**Councilmember Mitton/McNearney**

**Meeting Adjourned 7:05 p.m.**

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City Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Peterson

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Mayor Steve Geiger