MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SODA SPRINGS, CARIBOU COUNTY, IDAHO HELD APRIL 21ST, 2021.

## MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:00PM BY AUSTIN W. ROBINSON, MAYOR.

ROLL CALL SHOW	ED THE FOLLOWING PRESENT:	AUSTIN W. ROBINSON, MAYOR MITCH HART, PRES. via video conf JON D. GOODE ROBERT M. LAU SCOTT K. GAMBLES
EXCUSED: Alan Skinner, Engineer Tausha Vorwaller, Clerk		
ALSO PRESENT:	Mark Steele via telephone Brock & Paige Byram Chris Gonzalez	Andrea Haderlie, Secretary Gregg Haney, Attorney
	CeJay Golightly	Chief Scott Shaw II

The invocation was given by Gregg Haney, Mayor Robinson then led everyone in the 'Pledge of Allegiance'.

The Mayor noted all Councilmember's were in attendance with Councilmember Hart via video conference. Engineer Skinner and Clerk Vorwaller were absent.

The previous meeting minutes were presented for review. Councilmember Goode stated he had reviewed and didn't note any changes needed. He then moved to approve the minutes of April 7th, 2021 in their current draft form and dispense with the reading. Councilmember Lau seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

The accounts payable were reviewed. Councilmember Goode moved to approve the accounts payable for the period of April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021, seconded by Councilmember Gambles. Councilmember Lau asked about the payment to the Soda Creek Water District which Councilmember Goode stated he had remembered paying it before and believed it was an annual assessment for water shares in the district. The Council acknowledged previously approving the new parks mower purchased from Centennial Lube. Councilmember Goode also asked about a Police Department grant refund and some IT costs. Chief Shaw and Officer Golightly explained when the grant was applied for the benefits amount was mistakenly included twice so the amount received was more than should have been which was refunded to the State. Chief Shaw also explained the IT costs were necessary to fix some problems with the new VoIP phone system. A vote on the motion was called. All in favor, motion carried

(SEE ATTACHED ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REGISTER FOR DETAIL)

Chris Gonzalez gave the Mayor and Council an update on the progress of the new bike park at Kelly Park. He explained the upcoming work with a donated skid steer loader and volunteers doing clean-up and maintenance on Saturday. They will be working on the pump-track which will be a big project and also have a Scout and senior project that will be CITY COUNCIL APRIL 21, 2021 PAGE **2** OF **2** 

adding a couple features. He explained they will have the skid loader for a month and will be getting a lot done then will be deciding on signage and benches. He also reminded of the need for a frost-free water hydrant. Attorney Haney will have Kelly Hill work on that. He hopes to have a grand opening on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. Mr. Gonzalez thanked Justin Hansen for always being willing to help. Everyone thanked Mr. Gonzalez for his efforts.

Councilmember Hart reported he spoke with Engineer Skinner on the current projects which he stated were moving forward and on track for the summer season. He suggested getting caught up when Engineer Skinner was back.

Councilmember Hart also shared his understanding that the Teton RV presentation and discussion would be deferred until the next meeting. Mayor Robinson added the owner had received all the information regarding what the City wants in the lease agreement and we are waiting on his decision. Councilmember Goode reiterated his desire to require a certain level of employment of full time equivalent (FTE's) positions. The Mayor stated that had been relayed to the Teton RV owner.

There were no written comments submitted for citizen input. Brock Byram asked about the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and rules regarding candy. Chief Shaw explained he suggested the Rotary Club ask those in the parade to walk along the floats and hand out candy instead of throwing. The Mayor clarified any questions or concerns should be discussed with the Rotary Club who is in charge of the parade and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event.

Paige Byram asked if the City has any rules about short or long term rentals. The Mayor and Attorney Haney stated they were not aware of any.

The Mayor stated he knows he sounds like a broken record but we are really trying hard to pitch our local businesses and is moving ahead with business spot-lights. He noted Secretary Haderlie is doing a wonderful job hi-lighting the businesses on the City website and has mailed out questionnaires. He added it is very critical that we all support our local businesses as much as possible.

Mrs. Byram also mentioned there will be another drag main fundraiser on May 8<sup>th</sup> for a local individual. The Police encouraged safe driving and reminded all that valid vehicles and drivers licenses are required to participate.

Councilmember Hart moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:23pm, seconded by Councilmember Goode. All in favor, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL THIS 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2021.

Austin W. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tausha Vorwaller, Clerk