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

ROLL CALL SHOWED THE FOLLOWING PRESENT:  

AUSTIN W. ROBINSON, MAYOR  
MITCHELL J. HART, PRES.  
JON D. GOODE  
SCOTT K. GAMMBLES

EXCUSED: ROBERT M. LAU

ALSO PRESENT:  
Mark Steele  
Mary Finlayson  
Austin & Jackie Robinson  
Shannon Thomas  
Brent Maughan

Alan Skinner, Director  
Tausha Vorwaller, Clerk  
Clyde Nelson, Attorney via telephone  
Chief Shaw

The invocation was given by Mary Finlayson, Mayor Robinson then led everyone in the ‘Pledge of Allegiance’.

Councilmember Lau was absent and excused, and Attorney Nelson was present via the telephone.

The previous meeting minutes were reviewed. Councilmember Hart moved to dispense with the reading and approve the September 5th, 2018 minutes as presented. Councilmember Goode seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

The accounts payable were reviewed. Councilmember Goode moved to approve the accounts payable for September 1st thru September 17th, 2018, seconded by Councilmember Hart. Councilmember Goode asked if the annual Sensus Metering cost had increased. Clerk Vorwaller stated she didn’t think so but would check on it and report back. A vote on the motion was held. All in favor, motion carried.

(SEE ATTACHED ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REGISTER FOR DETAIL)

Mayor Robinson shared a thank you from the Soda Springs High School Student Council. They thanked the City for allowing and helping with the homecoming bon fire event. The Mayor reported that all had gone well.

Director Skinner gave an update on the South 1st East project and presented pay application #3 in the amount of $110,690.78. The water line is complete, connections are being made on the south end, the north section has been disinfected and as soon as the sample comes back they will start the rest of the connections. The remaining items to complete the project include a sewer manhole, the storm drain on 4th South Street, reshaping and asphalting the street and a small section of curb & gutter. The Director mentioned they had trouble finding road base. The Mayor asked if drain lines were found
and if they were documented. The Director mentioned only on the north end in the Arctic Circle area where five or six were found to be in good shape and collect either into a manhole or the highway collection basin and drain to the creek. Director Skinner stated the location of the drain lines will be recorded on the projects final reports. He explained there will be about a $21,000 cost savings for not having to replace storm drain included in the project that will offset the cost of the 4th South Street drainage project. Councilmember Goode moved to approve pay application #3 to Bear Lake Construction in the amount of $110,690.78, seconded by Councilmember Gambles. All in favor, motion carried.

Director Skinner presented the cost estimate to install the new street approach for West 220 South. The curb and gutter will be approximately $3,000 and the sidewalk $16,000. He proposed to use the same contractor for the project that Bear Lake Construction is using on the 1st East project. The Director also mentioned the local LDS Church officials do not want the old baseball diamond back stop and the City can remove it as the street is developed. Councilmember Hart moved to approve up to $20,000 from the 2018 fiscal year budget for the curb, gutter and sidewalk as per the agreements to develop the new street. Councilmember Gambles seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Proposed asphalt projects were reviewed. The Airport project to complete the asphalt in front of the west hangars will be $19,250. As requested last meeting a quote to fog coat Main Street was attained and would be $9,120 which is 10 cents a square foot. The Council discussed the benefits of the fog coat and agreed it would not really extend the life of the asphalt and may be better spent doing additional work at the Airport. Councilmember Goode asked what the City needs to do by Quik Stop with the improvements they have made. Director Skinner stated customarily the City would spend about $2,000 to tie in new curb and gutter to the existing street. Councilmember Goode moved to approve the initial proposal for the Airport asphalt of $19,250 and an additional amount up to $10,000 to be used at the Director’s discretion on the highest priority area to be expended from the 2018 fiscal year budget. Councilmember Hart seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. The Staff and Council also discussed any improvements needed to support the air ambulance and Director Skinner suggested placing additional tie downs on the east for aircraft.

The Formation Well project and pre-purchase of the piping and precast concrete vaults was reviewed. Director Skinner reported that the Department of Environmental Quality informed him they are drafting the approval letter which will have just a couple of conditions. The quote to purchase pipe for $67,729 and the precast concrete vaults for approximately $65,000 were reviewed. The Staff discussed the bidding requirements and it will be verified that personal property up to $100,000 just requires that three quotes be requested. Attorney Nelson recommended waiting to be sure the property owners accepted the City’s offer of purchase. Councilmember Hart moved to approve pre-purchasing the Formation Well pipe and concrete vaults from the 2018 budget contingent on the acceptance of the City’s purchase of the land, verification of the bidding requirements and getting additional quotes. Councilmember Gambles seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. After review of the code Attorney Nelson confirmed
that personal property purchases between $50,000 and $100,000 just require that three bids are requested.

There was no citizen input at the designated time.

The other ongoing projects were reviewed. The Greenfield building donated to the City has been dismantled and the City will be working on collecting it. Baseball diamond repairs will be done by removing about three feet of grass on three diamonds and then add some sand. It was decided to not put in a chain link fence around the new trash rake because it may make it hard to access with the backhoe and instead a permanent locked gate will be installed. The Wastewater Treatment Plant mixers have been delivered and will be installed by the City crew. The City Crew are opposed to converting the water truck into a plow truck because it is a long wheel base and instead propose to purchase a used truck that a plow can be mounted on for approximately the same budget. Director Skinner explained he would then work on selling the water truck. Councilmember Hart moved to approve the purchase of the used truck and plow out of the 2018 budget and put the surplus water truck up for sale, seconded by Councilmember Gambles. All in favor, motion carried.

The variance application of Shannon Thomas requesting approval of a variance to the twenty five foot (25’) front yard, setback requirement was reviewed. The variance would allow a covered porch to be constructed on the front of the home approximately fifteen feet (15’) from the right-of-way line of the street at 230 Gagon Drive. Councilmember Goode reported that the Planning and Zoning (P & Z) Commission had held a public hearing and reviewed the request at length and they recommended approval. Councilmember Hart moved to approve the request based on the recommendation of the P & Z Commission of a 10 foot variance to the front yard setback requirement at 230 Gagon Drive. Councilmember Goode seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

The Council discussed the next regularly scheduled meeting and Councilmember’s Goode and Hart both mentioned that they would be absent. The Council agreed to change the next meeting to Tuesday, October 2nd.

Councilmember Goode moved to approve entering into executive session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(1)(c) to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency. Councilmember Gambles seconded the motion. A roll call showed the following vote:

Those voting aye: Mitch Hart       Those voting nay:  none
      Jon Goode       Absent: Robert Lau
      Scott Gambles

Motion Carried.

Councilmember Goode moved to exit executive session, seconded by Councilmember Hart. All in favor, motion carried.
Councilmember Hart moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm, seconded by Councilmember Goode. All in favor, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL THIS 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER, 2018.

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Austin W. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tausha Vorwaller, Clerk