



in cost will be adjusted off of the A+ Construction contract. A vote on the motion was held. All in favor, motion carried

(SEE ATTACHED ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REGISTER FOR DETAIL)

Mayor Smith recognized the Rotary Club as Soda Springs Super Heroes. The international organization existing for 110 years was formed by professionals with diverse backgrounds exchanging ideas and working together to address challenges and give back to their communities. The local Charter, Rotary Club of Soda Springs began in 1985 with Frank Chadwick, Arnell Walker and Duane Beins, current members of our community being some of the original charter members. The Rotary Club supports and sponsors many community activities but is most widely known for organizing the very successful 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration in the City for 20 plus years including the popular Fireworks Display at Kelly Park. Current Members include, Lori Eberharter of Edgewood Assisted Living, Randy Johnson of US Bank, Trent Clark of Monsanto, Craig Kenyon of Agrium, Darrel Farnes, Dillon Lietchy and CEO Jon Smith of Caribou Memorial Hospital, Chief of Police Jon Bunderson, Caribou County Sheriff Kelly Wells, Past Mayor of Soda Springs Kirk Hansen, Blair Winward, Farmers Insurance Agent Mark Bryant, City Director Alan Skinner, and Frank Vilt of Montpelier. The Mayor also recognized all those that have been involved over the years.

Mayor Smith and the City of Soda Springs were honored to recognize Kirk L. Hansen as a Soda Springs Super Hero. Kirk's accomplishments over the 28 years as the longest serving Mayor of Soda Springs are impossible to quantify. His commitment to the City, its employees and the citizens of the community are to be commended. His efforts to keep a good working relationship with local industry, community members and with the City Council through the many years were very important to him. Kirk and his family continue to be dedicated to the City and support the community through involvement and donations. The City would like to thank Kirk for his most recent generous contribution of new carpet for the addition to the Library and for his many years of service and support of the community, and for his continued consideration and commitment to the success of the City.

The City also recognized Caribou Memorial Hospital as Soda Springs Super Heroes. The Caribou Memorial Hospital has provided our community and the county an invaluable service for decades and is striving to improve and broaden their healthcare services. As an employer they provide competitive wages and benefits and encourage continuing education. The Mayor also mentioned the Hospital's support and donations for many community groups and events. The Mayor and City Council thanked Caribou Memorial for being a Soda Springs Super Hero.

Councilmember Goode introduced Ordinance #671 entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODA SPRINGS, IDAHO, AMENDING SECTION 14.24.180 OF THE SODA SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW FOR VARIANCES TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR PERIMETER SIGHT-PROOF FENCING WHERE THE SAME ABUTS A RESIDENTIAL AREA AND/OR A MOBILE HOME PARK; ESTABLISHING THE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR

GRANTING A VARIANCE. A motion was then made by Councilmember Lau and seconded by Councilmember Hart that the rules requiring ordinances to be read on three separate occasions be dispensed with and that the ordinance be read once by title only. A roll call showed the following vote:

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

Motion Carried.

Clerk Vorwaller read Ordinance #671 by title. Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone in attendance that wanted to provide public input. There was none and the clerk reported no written comments were submitted. Councilmember Goode stated he felt it was a reasonable and appropriate amendment to the code. Mayor Smith expressed his opinion that he still thinks that most of the time the perimeter fencing is what the City should require but this will provide for a variance for special circumstances. Councilmember Hart then moved to approve the adoption of Ordinance #671. Councilmember Goode seconded the motion for adoption. A roll call showed the following vote:

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

Motion Carried.

(SEE ATTACHED COPY OF ORDINANCE #671 - ORIGINAL ON FILE)

Attorney Nelson presented the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Friends of the City Park for the construction of the all-inclusive playground. He explained that he had been working with Attorney Doug Wood and Director Skinner had reported that the group feasibly could not get payment and performance bonds. Attorney Nelson explained that in lieu of the bonds he added wording requiring release of lien documents be signed by all contractor and suppliers. Mayor Smith recommended approval of the MOU.

Councilmember Lau suggested removing reference to the Northeast corner of the City Park as the approved location and just put "designated area of the park approximately 9000 sqft". He explained that water lines and fiber optic had not been located yet and may interfere with the placement. Councilmember Hart agreed it was a reasonable request and stated the City had no intention of moving the proposed location but it would give some leeway if needed. The Mayor asked Director Skinner to verify through Digline the location of the utilities. He also pointed out that the MOU is a bilateral agreement and must be agreed on and signed by both the City and the Friends of the Park. The Council discussed the proposed change to the MOU and most were fine with or without the change.

Councilmember Lau moved to approve striking the wording "Northeast corner" from Section 1 of the MOU and authorize the Mayor to sign. Councilmember Goode seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Director Skinner briefly reviewed the ongoing and upcoming year's infrastructure projects. He presented the project spread sheet which lists all projects and maintenance items budgeted that is not routine. A couple of the major projects include the #4 Hydro Plant trash rake and the #2 lift station by the JR Inn which is the critical one with a large vault that needs to be upgraded to an above ground system. The design specifications for the South 1<sup>st</sup> East Street project which includes utilities, asphalt and also some storm drain work were presented for review and Director Skinner reported that they had been submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). He does not anticipate any problems with approval from DEQ. The final pay application for this year's utility projects was not ready and will be presented at the next meeting. The boring at Kelly Park for the Ledge Creek transmission line was completed.

The HR Committee reviewed options for the annual safety award. They recommended providing a jacket to all full and part-time employees to show appreciation for the employee's hard work and safe work habits. Councilmember Gambles moved to approve the safety award as presented, seconded by Councilmember Goode. All in favor, motion carried.

The Mayor reviewed a few informational items. He let everyone know that the City Christmas party was scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup> and encouraged everyone to attend. He reviewed the no-parking rules for snow removal that had been noticed in the paper and also commented on increased ground water issues. The Mayor noted that the City is investigating ground water issues and will evaluate if any help or solution can be facilitated by the City.

The Council discussed moving the December 20<sup>th</sup> meeting to the 19<sup>th</sup>. All agreed.

Councilmember Hart moved to approve entering into executive session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(1)(b) to consider the evaluation of a public officer. Councilmember Lau seconded the motion. A roll call showed the following vote:

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

Motion Carried.

Councilmember Lau moved to exit executive session, seconded by Councilmember Goode. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilmember Lau moved to approve authorizing \$7000 for performance accomplishments as reviewed and to be distributed per the Mayor's discretion with the next payroll. Councilmember Lau seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilmember Goode moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm, seconded by

Councilmember Hart. All in favor, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
DECEMBER, 2017.

---

James R. Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

---

Tausha Vorwaller, Clerk