

their list of upcoming projects and are coming to do a walk through tomorrow. Intermec suggested the City look into buying the cranes ahead of time and Engineer Skinner will have costs at the next meeting. There has been no response from any other contractors on the project.

Director Hansen reviewed the Kelly Park playground upgrade proposal. He recommended option #1 for \$76,868 which he feels is the best choice for the money. Since the original proposal in March the freight went up about \$900. Director Hansen requested approval to purchase the playground and pay up front for the installation using the current funds budgeted and schedule the installation as soon as possible but it may be next spring before they can get to us. Director Hansen also mentioned there is a substantial private donation of up to \$25,000 that can go toward enhancing the project in an effort to give back to the community. It is the desire of the family making the contribution to have some sort of recognition. The Mayor and Council supported the proposal and the family donation. The Mayor, Council and staff reviewed the warranty information and discussed whether to pay for the installation up front suggesting we make sure the terms and conditions include a guaranteed delivery date. Councilmember Hart moved to authorize expending the budgeted funds for the new Kelly Park playground equipment and installation and graciously accept the generous family donation to enhance the project. Councilmember Gambles seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Director Hansen thanked the Council for their support and noted he hopes to see a real change to the condition of the parks through the improvements that are taking place. He feels it is money well spent for our community and how the parks are used a lot. The Council commented on how nice the new fire pit is looking at Hooper Park.

Engineer Skinner reviewed the project list. He reported the work has started on South 2nd East Street project. The contractors will hot tap to the waterline tomorrow, they have all materials on site and will start working on the waterline until it dries out enough to get in the back yards to do the sewerline. He mentioned the installer of the City Park camera system will be here this week and he will have information next meeting to review on the Ledge Creek transmission line project and how much can be completed with the current funds and materials. He noted he has a print showing the connection to 3rd North Street. He added regarding the PRV project that he hopes to get a 50/50 grant to update the City's water system planning study. The new Hydro Plant control panel is being tested right now and then it will be scheduled for installation.

Councilmember Carpenter expressed some concerns regarding a waterline that should have been abandoned as part of the South 1st East Street project a few years ago. He suggested the project may not have been properly engineered and now the newest road in town will have to be dug up. Engineer Skinner mentioned the road will only have to be disturbed close to the intersection and the as built drawings show the line was replaced but the old line was not disconnected from the pressurized mainline. Water/Wastewater Supervisor Squires explained that he will need to dig down and shut off the corporation (corp) stop to double check that the services were connected to the new mainline. Councilmember Hart suggested the City could have a claim against the engineer and/or the

contractor if the work was not completed as indicated. Councilmember Carpenter suggested these types of things could be avoided if the Department Supervisors, who are the ones that know the systems the best, were more involved in the planning and installation.

During citizen input the Mayor gave an update on the opening the of the Ender's Museum. He stated it went fantastic with some locals and several tourists visiting and excited about it being opened for the Memorial Day weekend. The Mayor mentioned the Caribou Historical Society museum was also open. Councilmember Hart commended the City for trying to do our part and would hope it would incentivize others to step up and support and contribute to keeping the building. He suggested over the next six months the City will need to determine where the building is going. The Clerk commended Andrea Haderlie for her efforts of helping get the building cleaned, staged, maned and open for the Memorial Day weekend. She is the one that made it happen. Director Hansen mentioned a recent power bump the entire City experienced which came from outside of the City's system and also some due to the high winds probably caused by trees which are almost impossible to locate but he is working on the annual tree trimming around the City's transmission lines. Mayor Robinson reported he had the chance to give a representative of the Idaho Department of Commerce a tour today of several businesses in the City. He focused on Main Street businesses and proposed improvements, the Ender's building and possibility of relocating City Hall and also visited the hospital and Custom Iron which was the recipient of a Gem Grant. He stated it was a good visit and he made positive contacts.

Engineer Skinner presented an addendum to the Soda Springs Phosphate Industrial Park lease for use of the City's railroad spur which they recently expressed interest in. He explained the method he used to come up with the lease amount for the spur based on the original cost of installation and the current 3.5% rate being used to calculate all Industrial Park leases. The City pays \$1500 a year for maintenance on the switch and the spur would need an inspection before someone could start using it. The City owns the switch and the track. The Council agreed with the lease calculation. Engineer Skinner mentioned other uses of the spur have been considered including working with local farmers to bring in grain by rail. Councilmember Carpenter expressed his support for any way the spur can be used that is pro-business. The new proposed lease includes the original Lot 1, Block 2 of the 1st Addition, the adjacent property which is approximately the North half of Block 4, East of the railroad tracks and the railroad spur. Councilmember Hart moved to approve the updated lease and spur lease amount authorizing the Mayor to execute the lease now or in the future if accepted based on concurrence with business interests. Councilmember Worthington seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Engineer Skinner presented the Highland Way Subdivision preliminary plat and explained it is actually Phase 2 of the 3rd Addition to the Finlayson Subdivision owned by Ken Finlayson who is working with Wade Clark on the development. The new plat is exactly like the original plat approved in 2002 and extensions given in 2019 and 2021. The Council reviewed and discussed the past approval and extensions along with requirements to place fire hydrants, loop the water mainline and appropriately address storm water collection.

Engineer Skinner suggested granting another extension for the subdivision. Struan Clark, representing the developers mentioned there is interest in 4 to 5 of the lots and as soon as the final plat is approved the lots could be sold and they could start construction. The final steps include getting signatures on the plat, recording the plat and then they could start applying for building permits. It was noted the DEQ approval is good through June and would also need an extension approved. Mr. Clark suggested abandoning lots for the storm water collection was not feasible and mentioned an example of how it has been done in other areas by putting in a ribbon curb to outline asphalt and put a four-foot swale with washed gravel and then the sidewalk; using the four feet around the whole subdivision for storm water collection. Engineer Skinner explained how subdivisions are required to maintain their own storm water within the subdivision. Mr. Clark stated they are amenable to working with the City on the best solutions and assumed there would be property owner covenants addressing maintenance of the storm drainage area. Councilmember Carpenter supported pursuing other ideas and not having to abandon lots. Councilmember Carpenter moved to approve an extension for the Highland Way Subdivision (formerly Phase 2 of the 3rd Addition to the Finlayson Subdivision) pending a compromise on storm water collection which will be performance and cost effective, along with fulfilling the prior terms and conditions of 2002 and 2019 which includes looping the water mainline and fire hydrant placement. Engineer Skinner clarified that will not hold up the recording of the final plat but will hold up the building permits until those items are agreeably addressed. He also noted he will be looking for a recommendation from the developers engineer on the storm water collection that meets State code. Councilmember Worthington seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. The Council stated they are excited about all the good things happening.

Preliminary budget items were discussed. The Department request worksheets were shared with the Mayor and Council for their review. The Clerk explained how some projects budgeted currently will be carried over into the next budget due to the chance those projects may not get completed in the current budget. She also suggested the ARPA funds could be used toward current projects like the playground equipment and the South 1st East utility upgrade project. Councilmember Hart suggested holding off on committing the funds to a certain project until the new budget is reviewed next meeting.

In regards to the Police Department's budget requests presented by Chief Shaw; Councilmember Hart posed a couple of questions. He noted the requests were aggressive and asked if the proposed pay increase costs accounted for overtime? Chief Shaw stated it did not and that was estimated and incorporated into the budget by Clerk Vorwaller. The Clerk noted she estimates overtime based on prior years overtime. Councilmember Hart asked if the requested camera system was being driven by the courts or if it was just a want? The Chief explained it really is being driven by the courts and noted two recent cases where the video would have been crucial. Councilmember Hart also asked about the need to go back to the Spillman software. The Chief explained that right now the City Police are working separate from the County due to the lack of communication between software. Councilmember Worthington expressed his appreciation to the Police Department for the overtime they put in providing the school resource officer. In light of recent events the

more highly trained Police presence is better and very appreciated. Chief Shaw stated the Department and Schools have taken every step to prevent such an event and stressed that communication is the key. Safety measures have been implemented but all are acceptable to human error.

Councilmember Hart moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:15pm, seconded by Councilmember Gambles. All in favor, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL THIS 15TH DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

Austin W. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tausha Vorwaller, Clerk