

City Council Meeting

October 4, 2023

7:30 p.m.

The meeting was conducted by Mayor Ted Slivinski at 7:30 p.m. at the Montpelier City Hall.

Present:

Dan Fisher
Quin Pope
Bobbi Leonhardt
Brady Shultis

Others:

City Clerk Michelle Singleton
Chief Blake Wells
Superintendent Rick Roberts

Shane Johnson and Steve Allred excused

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Brady Shultis seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to approve the minutes as written. Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Approval of Bills

Councilmember Quin Pope moved to approve and pay bills in the amount of \$227,405.56 with \$40,937.87 being payroll and \$186,467.69 being miscellaneous bills. Councilmember Dan Fisher seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Public Hearing- amend Ordinances 532 and 577 sections 32 and 13.04.021 to increase water and sewer monthly fees to \$32.10 for water and \$39.90 for sewer and allowing the fees to be set by resolution and leaving in place all other fees. Sections 29 and 13.04.021 to increase water and sewer main connection fees to \$5,000.00 for water main connections and \$5,000.00 for sewer main connection and allowing the fees to be set by resolution and leaving in place all other fees.

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to go into Public Hearing amending ordinances for water and sewer monthly rates, and water and sewer connection fees. Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt seconded. Roll call vote was taken:

Bobbi Leonhardt	yes
Dan Fisher	yes
Brady Shultis	yes
Quin Pope	yes

The motion passes unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Ted Slivinski read Ordinance #675 in full.

Councilmember Dan Fisher read Ordinance #676 in full

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt moved to close the Public Hearing and move back into regular session. Councilmember Dan Fisher seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to adopted Ordinances 675, an ordinance of the City of Montpelier amending Ordinances 532 and 577 sections 32 and 13.04.021 to increase water and sewer monthly fees and allowing the fees to be set by resolution and leaving in place all other fees. Councilmember Quin Pope seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt moved to approve Ordinances 676, an ordinance of the City of Montpelier amending Ordinances 532 and 577 sections 29 and 13.04.021 to increase water and sewer main connection fees and allowing the fees to be set by resolution and leaving in place all other fees. Councilmember Brady Shultis seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Regulating RV's, Temporary Lodging Camping, & Living in Tents Ordinance

Mayor Ted Slivinski and the City Council discussed the previous ordinance for Regulating RV's, Temporary Lodging, Camping & Living in Tents from the last city council meeting. Mayor Ted Slivinski asked the City Councilmembers if they had any changes since last meeting before they proceed forward on the ordinance. Councilmember Dan Fisher mentioned in section 4 D(I) if 14 days was enough time. Mayor Ted Slivinski asked the public if they had any input on this ordinance. Scott Nussbaum feels the \$1,000 dollar fee per day is extreme. He feels like you should be able to live in a camper on your property as long as you have the means to do so, such as water and sewer to the RV. Mayor Ted Slivinski thanked Scott Nussbaum for expressing his concerns with the City Council, he will speak to Bob Ochsenbein, Chair of the City of Montpelier Planning and Zoning to discuss the zoning codes for living in RV'S in residential areas. Mayor Ted Slivinski would like City Council to table Regulating RV's, Temporary Lodging, Camping & Living in Tents Ordinance to a later date.

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt moved to table Regulating RV's, Temporary Lodging Camping & Living in Tents Ordinance to a later date. Councilmember Quin Pope seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

RV Dump Discussion

Mayor Ted Slivinski would like the City Council to table the RV Dump discussion to a later date while he is still gathering more information.

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to table the RV Dump Discussion to a later date. Councilmember Brady Shultis seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mayor Ted Slivinski:

Mayor Ted Slivinski mentioned Governor Little's office contacted him about having the City of Montpelier hosting Capital of the Day on October 25, 2023. Mayor Ted Slivinski is going to get ahold of the Oregon Trail Center to see if they would be interested in hosting the event.

Dan Fisher

Councilmember Dan Fisher reported Bear Lake Regional Commission held their regular meeting discussing the conditions of the Bear Lake water levels. They are still letting water in from Mud Lake and no longer draining water out. A round table with legislature on the transit room tax will be on October 16, 2023 at 1:00p.m. Fish and Game will be rolling out their plans for 2024 on October 17, 2023.

Bobbi Leonhardt:

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt reported fire truck engine #4 failed the flow test. Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt asked Scott Nussbaum to explain to the council the reason it failed the flow test. He mentioned it has a stuck valve that needs to be fixed professionally. The Fire Department will be taking engine #4 to Boise. The Fire Department has been in contact with the County Fire Department to help out while engine #4 is being repaired.

Quin Pope

Councilmember Quin Pope reported Tyler Hill from the Forest Service would like to enclose the parking lot with a chain link fence to protect the federal vehicles. City Council all agreed that this not a great idea where this is in a City Park. Councilmember Quin Pope will have a discussion with the Forest Service on the issue and report back to the council.

Mayor Ted Slivinski adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting on October 18, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Singleton