

City Council Meeting

February 21, 2024

7:30 p.m.

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

Present:

Bobbi Leonhardt
Shane Johnson
Dan Fisher
Brady Shultis
Ray Henrie
Quin Pope(excused)

Others:

City Clerk Michelle Singleton
Superintendent Rick Roberts
Chief Blake Wells
Police Support Specialist Brooke Bates
Fire Chief Ed Preston

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Ted Slivinski amended the agenda moving the Sani Star RV Dump Fee System after the P&Z Recommendation- Domino's Pizza approval letter to County Building Inspector.

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to approve the amended agenda. Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt moved to approve the February 7, 2024 minutes as written. Councilmember Shane Johnson seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Approval of Bills

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to approve and pay bills in the amount of \$94,209.3700 with \$30,246.34 being payroll and \$63,963.03 being miscellaneous bills. Councilmember Shane Johnson seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

P&Z Appointment-Devin Gundersen

Mayor Ted Slivinski is recommending the City Council to approve the appointment of Devin Gundersen to Planning and Zoning, due to Bob Ochsenein's term ending on February 13, 2024.

Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to approve P&Z vacancy opening with Devin Gundersen. Councilmember Brady Shultis seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

P&Z Recommendation-Merrill Watts (Lot Split)

Bob Ochsenein from Planning & Zoning explained the Merrill Watts lots split at 253 S 4th where the Wu House Restaurant, house, and motel are all located. He stated that Mr. Watts wanted to split this three times and the first application was denied due to the house being land locked and no frontage property. So, Mr. Watts reapplied to have two lots splits, one being just the restaurant, and the second being the hotel with the house on one lot. He told the City Council the Planning and Zoning approved the second application. Bob Ochsenein is recommending the City Council to approve this lot split. Mayor Ted Slivinski is worried about the ingress and the egress not being 26ft. After much discussion City Council all agreed to approve the lot split with the condition of the Montpelier Fire Chief approval on the egress and the ingress being 26ft.

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt move to approve the Merrill Watts lot split with the condition of the Montpelier Fire Chief approval on the egress and the ingress being 26ft. Councilmember Dan Fisher seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative. Councilmember Shane Johnson abstaining from the vote.

P&Z Recommendation- Domino's Pizza approval letter to County Building Inspector

Bob Ochsenbein from Planning and Zoning gave a brief explanation on Domino's approval letter to the Building Inspector. He explained Ordinance #312 states that buildings in the CBD District shall be constructed with brick, stone, concrete blocks, cement, cinder brick, or other noncombustible materials. Since Domino's address is in the CBD District at 803 Washington St, Building Inspector Wayne Davidson needs to have letter from the City Council saying that they are ok with Domino's putting wood siding on the outside of the building. Bob Ochsenbein is recommending the City Council to approve the wood siding since the nearest building is 20ft away and send a letter to the building inspector. After much discussion, findings, and due considerations the City Council approved Domino's to put wood siding on the outside of the building with the condition that the building of the new Domino's must have 10ft set backs on the sides, front, and back of the property.

Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to approve Domino's to put wood siding on the outside of the building. With the condition that the building of the new Domino's must have 10ft set backs on the sides, front, and back of the property. Councilmember Dan Fisher seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Sani Star RV Dump Fee System

Mayor Ted Slivinski and the City Councilmembers discussed the Sani Star RV Dump Fee System and the Potable Water Regulating System. The Mayor explained the Potable Water Regulating system will double the price, he would like to put a water meter at the RV dump station in the city park to see how much water is actually being used before they make a decision to put in the potable water system. The Mayor would like to continue with the RV Dump Fee System, he mentioned that Paris is still going forward on the RV Dump Fee System. There was a discussion on the cost of doing power or solar, the two system RV Dump Fee System with solar would cost around \$12,520.00 without the mileage. The Mayor and the Councilmembers would like to get a quote on how much it would cost to hardwire the system in for power. Mayor Ted Slivinski will contact Sani Star to get the final cost of the dumping fee system and would like the City Council to table Sani Star RV Dumping Fee.

Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to table the Sani Star RV Dump Fee System. Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mayor Ted Slivinski:

Mayor Ted Slivinski explained at the last City Council meeting he was asked to reach out to ICRMP about Jason Klingenberg claim. Mayor Ted Slivinski stated that he did get in contact with ICRMP and they would like Jason to resubmit his claims and ICRMP will pay the claims because of hardship. Mayor Ted Slivinski reported there was a change order for Heritage Park for power coating and the shade sails that he signed off on. The Mayor mentioned there will be a walk through for Heritage Park on February 27th.

Ray Henrie:

Councilmember Ray Henrie reported the Senior Citizen Center received grant money. They will be using the money for repairs, new oven, new oven hood, carpet in the offices, new floor, and redoing the entry door so it will be more handicap accessible.

Dan Fisher:

Councilmember Dan Fisher reported the Bear Lake Regional Commission meeting will be held on February 28th.

Shane Johnson:

Councilmember Shane Johnson mentioned the Oregon Trail Center didn't have a meeting this month. He also commented that the Montpelier Chamber of Commerce have had some new members join and they are working on redoing their website which will focus on the businesses in the city.

Bobbi Leonhardt:

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt announced ANH is looking for some volunteers to help out at the shelter.

Brady Shultis:

Councilmember Brady Shultis reported the Montpelier Community Foundation approved the downtown walking tour signs and their next meeting is February 28th.

Executive Session:

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to go into Executive Session Idaho Code 76-206

(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student. Councilmember Shane Johnson seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Roll call vote was taken:

Bobbi Leonhardt	yes
Dan Fisher	yes
Brady Shultis	yes
Shane Johnson	yes
Ray Henrie	yes

The motion passes unanimously.

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to close the Executive Session and moved back into regular session.

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mayor Ted Slivinski adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting on March 6th, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Singleton