

City Council Meeting

April 2nd, 2025

7:30 p.m.

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

Present:

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

Others:

City Clerk Michelle Singleton
Chief of Police Blake Wells

Approval of Agenda:

**Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt moved to approve the agenda as written.
Councilmember Ray Henrie seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.**

Approval of Minutes:

**Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to approve the March 24th, 2025 minutes as written.
Councilmember Brady Shultis seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.**

Approval of Bills:

**Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to approve and pay bills in the amount of \$10,973.07 with \$10,973.07 being miscellaneous bills.
Councilmember Dan Fisher seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.**

Scott Hymas-Bear Lake Ambulance Support Letter:

Scott Hymas was present and addressed the City Council to request a letter of support for the Bear Lake Ambulance Service. He stated that the ambulance service is applying for the FY2026 Idaho Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency Vehicle and Equipment Grant - Account III. According to Mr. Hymas, if awarded, the grant would help fund the purchase of a new ambulance to replace the current 2008 model. He noted that the cost of a new ambulance is approximately \$400,000.

Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to approve the support letter for the Bear Lake Ambulance Service for the FY2026 Idaho Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency Vehicle and Equipment Grant – Account III.

Councilmember Ray Henrie seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Mayor and the Councilmembers asked Scott Hymas to provide an update on the new radio system. Scott reported that the system is now up and running, and it has significantly improved communication throughout the valley.

City Council Representative for the County Commissioner meeting for April 14th at 10:45 a.m. for the annex on the fairgrounds:

The Mayor and Councilmembers held a discussion regarding the upcoming County Commissioner meeting scheduled for April 14th at 10:45 a.m. Concerning the annexation of the fairgrounds. The mayor noted that he will be out of town and unable to attend the meeting. As such, he will be asking if councilmember Quin Pope could attend the meeting on behalf of the city. Quin will be asked to represent the city and present the annexation of the fairgrounds to the County Commissioners, and request a letter of approval from the County regarding the annexation.

Shane Johnson:

Councilmember Shane Johnson reported that the Oregon Trail Center is scheduled to open on May 23rd. He mentioned that numerous tours have already been scheduled and that catering services will also be provided. Mayor Ted Slivinski advised Councilmember Johnson that the city needs the contract between the Oregon Trail Center and the Forest Service as soon as possible. Additionally, the land agreement between the city and the Oregon Trail Center has been expired since 2023. A new land agreement contract will need to be brought before the City Council for approval.

Bobbi Leonhardt:

Councilmember Bobbi Leonhardt reported that the Montpelier Irrigation Board will hold their board meeting on April 10th.

Chief Blake Wells:

Chief Blake Wells informed the councilmembers that Officer Kyle Armstrong would be graduating from the POST Academy on April 11th.

City Clerk Michelle Singleton:

City Clerk Michelle Singleton had a discussion with the mayor and councilmembers regarding the April 16th City Council meeting. She mentioned that a public hearing was scheduled for that night and expressed concern about the possibility of not having a quorum, as some councilmembers would be coaching high school games. The mayor and councilmembers agreed that there would not be enough members present to establish a quorum and decided to move the April 16th meeting to April 23rd.

Mayor Ted Slivinski adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting on April 23rd 2025 at 7:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Singleton
City Clerk