December 14, 2015

A regular meeting of the Fruitland City Council was held at Fruitland City Hall on the above date at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Ken Bishop, Bud Reifsnyder, Reece Hrizuk and Ed Pierson.

ABSENT: Stuart Grimes

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeff Carpenter, Jerry Haines, Bob Pharmer, Carl Hipwell, Tracy Olsen, Danny Little, Michelle Giokas, Hunter Marrow and Suzanne Pearcy.

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order and roll was taken.

Councilman Hrizuk moved to approve the November 23, 2015 minutes. Seconded by Councilman Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to approve the December 2015 Fruitland Planning & Zoning Commission Report. Seconded by Councilman Reifsnyder. Motion carried.

City Engineer Reports –

Tracey Olsen, Transportation Engineer - Written report.

Councilman Pierson moved to approve the Transportation Engineer Report. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a Scope of Work & Cost estimate of $16,742.00 for a proposed Bull Riding/Equestrian Facility. Tesoro Logistics has been requested to donate property located at 400 NW 16th Street to the City for public recreational purposes. The property consists of two adjacent parcels totaling 4.1 acres. The City would potentially develop a riding/rodeo arena on the property that the Fruitland Fire Department could use for their annual Bull Riding Burn-Out fundraiser. The general public could also use the facility for riding, training and other equestrian related activities. HDR has prepared a task order to develop conceptual level designs and estimates of probable construction costs for the City to evaluate. Councilman Pierson moved to move forward with the conceptual plan portion of the proposal. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a Scope of Work & Cost estimate of $8,112.00 for a proposed *"Welcome to Fruitland"* sign to be donated by the Fruitland Beautification Committee. The proposed sign is to be placed on northbound US HWY 95 near the Payette River. The sign will be within the Idaho Transportation Department right-of-way. HDR has completed a work task that provides for the design of the sign foundation. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the Scope of Work & Cost estimate. Seconded by Councilman Reifsnyder. Motion carried.

Carl Hipwell, Water/Sewer Engineer – Written report.

Bob Pharmer reported that extra waste water sampling will commence at Dickinson Frozen Foods, when the ORP falls below +50. He also announced he will be semi-retiring and will be transitioning to half-time. However, he is committed to City of Fruitland and will be available at any time the City needs his assistance. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the Water/Sewer Engineer Report. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a storage building proposal for the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The purpose of the building is to store equipment, including mixers and pumps that will not be in operation until additional capacity is needed along with spare parts and extra sand for the sand filters. The proposed building also has a bay to allow the City to park the new loader. The estimated cost for this building is $125,000. The project is to be considered as part of the Waste Water Treatment Plant project. Pharmer Engineering will prepare a drawing and specifications package and prepare the bid package for steel building contractors for $8,300.00. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the building design and bid package proposal. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

November 2015 Department Activity Reports –

Councilman Pierson moved to approve the November 2015 Police Department Activity Report. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request by Police Chief Huff to award Sgt. Victor Lugo his service hand gun, official badge and retirement identification card upon his retirement in January 2016 after over 27 years with the Fruitland Police Department. Councilman Hrizuk moved to approve the request. Seconded by Councilman Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to approve the November 2015 Fire Department Activity Report. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to approve the November 2015 Public Works Department Activity Report. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a Farm Lease Contract between the City of Fruitland and Leslie & Margaret Gardner, 8860 Shannon Road, Payette, ID to farm the 11 acres located north of NW 6th Avenue. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the Farm Lease Contract. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Roll call vote: Reifsnyder, aye. Hrizuk, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Building Official, Danny Little reported that Building Inspector, Jeff Dickinson has obtained his Oregon Residential Certificate and is now completing residential inspections in Oregon. Jeff is now certified in Idaho and Oregon for residential building and mechanical inspections. Councilman Hrizuk moved to approve the November 2015 Building Department Activity Report. Seconded by Councilman Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilman Hrizuk moved to approve the November 2015 Ambulance Department Activity Report. Seconded by Councilman Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to approve the November 2015 Parks & Trails Committees Activity Report. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to read Ordinance No. 605 – Animal Code Amendments by title only. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried. Councilman Pierson moved to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance No. 605. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Roll call vote: Reifsnyder, aye. Pierson, aye. Hrizuk, aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Bishop requested funding for the Focus on Fruitland Newsletter. Mayor Bishop requested a $1200.00 donation for 2016. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the donation request with funds to be taken from Capital Projects - General Fund. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to give all full-time City employees $100 gift cards from Wal-Mart as Christmas gifts. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

The November 2015 bills were reviewed by the Council. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the bills. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to enter Executive Session: I.C. 74-206(1)(b) - Personnel Evaluation. Seconded by Councilman Hrizuk. Roll call vote: Reifsnyder, aye. Pierson, aye. Hrizuk, aye. Motion carried at 7:50 P.M.

The Council came out of Executive Session at 8:30 P.M.

Councilman Pierson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Reifsnyder. Motion carried at 8:31 P.M.

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Ken Bishop, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rick S. Watkins, City Clerk