March 12, 2018

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

PRESENT: Brian Howell, Jeff Carpenter, Ed Pierson, Kari Peterson, Stuart Grimes.
ABSENT: None.
STAFF PRESENT: Stephanie Bonney, Bill Russell, Danny Little, Jerry Campbell, JD Huff, Michelle Giokas, Suzanne Pearcy.


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

Councilor Grimes moved to approve the February 26, 2018 minutes. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to approve the February 27, 2018 minutes. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.

A public hearing was opened at 7:02 P.M. for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding consideration of proposed Ordinance No. 635 - Variance Amendments.

Zoning Administrator Rick Watkins explained there is conflict between Section 10-2-14 of the Fruitland City Code and Title 10, Chapter 13 of the Fruitland City Code and the City desires to amend Title 10, Chapter 13 to resolve the conflict and clarify that variance applications will receive a recommendation from the Fruitland Planning and Zoning Commission and a final decision by the City Council.

No testimony was given and the hearing was closed at 7:03 P.M.

Amy Manning, Executive Director & Lisa Fritz, Account Manager representing the Idaho Independent Intergovernmental Authority (III-A) presented an annual report to the Council.


Councilor Pierson moved to read Ordinance No. 635 - Variance Amendments, by title only. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried. Councilor Grimes moved to suspend the rules


Jerry Haines, 1002 Partridge Street, thanked Council President Grimes for his letter to the Argus Observer regarding finding Fruitland residents with Purple Heart status. Mr. Haines requested a small ceremony be done upon completion of the first “Purple Heart City” sign with recipient names attached.

The Transportation Engineer Report was presented by Engineer Russell. Councilor Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Transportation Engineer, Bill Russell recommended modifying crosswalk and stop bar markings as well as additional signage to address the potential safety issue of drivers not being attentive to pedestrians crossing in the marked crosswalk on S. Pennsylvania Avenue at SW 3rd Street. Councilor Grimes moved to approve the recommendations and to use thermoplastic material for longevity. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Transportation Engineer, Bill Russell recommended installation of a “Do Not Block Driveway” sign east of the commercial driveway of Four Rivers Cross Fit, 777 NW 16th Street. This treatment should help prevent westbound drivers from stopping in front of the driveway while waiting at the traffic signal. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the recommendations for “Do Not Block Driveway” signage. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.

The Water/Sewer Engineer Report was reviewed. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.


The February 2018 Police Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Huff. Councilor Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson requested the delay of issuing further violation letters concerning accessory structures until the Council can review the accessory structure code for possible changes.
The February 2018 Fire Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Campbell. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The February 2018 Public Works Department Activity Report was presented by Public Works Supervisor, Jerry Campbell. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.


The February 2018 Building Department Activity Report was presented by Building Official, Danny Little. Councilor Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The February 2018 Ambulance Department Activity Report was presented by Ambulance Director, Michelle Giokas. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.


The Council reviewed the February 2018 Parks & Trails Committees Activity report.

The February 2018 bills were reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the bills. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried at 8:07 P.M.

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Brian Howell, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rick S. Watkins, City Clerk