

May 13, 2019

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: JD Huff, Jerry Campbell, Danny Little, Michelle Giokas, Bill Russell, Stephanie Bonney, Suzanne Percy.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dan Greig, Grant Baxter, Kenn Schappert, Randy Wall, Refigio Gonzalez, Charles Otte, Kit Kamo, Jerry Haines, Charlene Grant, Carol Garrison, Rob Ruth.

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

Councilor Pierson moved to approve the April 22, 2019 minutes. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.

A public hearing was opened at 7:00 P.M. for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding a request on behalf of Swire Coca Cola by Randy P. Wall, PE of HECO Engineers for a variance to eliminate the internal parking lot landscaping requirements and to reduce off-street parking requirements for the property located at 605 NW 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

Randy Wall explained he had nothing to add to the application and stood for questions. Kenn Schappert, General Manager, representing Swire stood for questions.

Councilor Grimes asked for clarification on the amount of parking spaces being requested. Mr. Wall stated they are requesting 15 parking spaces.

No further testimony was given and the hearing was closed at 7:07 P.M.

Kit Kamo, Executive Director of the Snake River Economic Development Alliance (SREDA) presented an annual review to the Council.

Dan Greig, Adjutant of American Legion Post 33, requested sponsorship for American Legion Boys State. Dan explained Boys State is a selective educational program of government instruction for U.S. high school students. A participatory program in which students become part of the operation of local, county and state government. Mr. Greig explained they have selected one boy from Fruitland to attend this year. The sponsorship for Boys State is \$400.00. Councilor Grimes moved to sponsor the Boys State participant in the amount of \$400.00 with funds from State Revenue Sharing - Community Grant Program. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request from Payette County Recreation District to allow overnight parking of self-contained recreational vehicles in the parking lot at Mesa Park during five youth softball/baseball tournaments. The areas where the overnight parking would be allowed would exclude street parking and be limited to existing parking lots only. The dates for the overnight parking would be: May 4-5, 2019; June 7-8, 2019; June 28-29, 2019; July 12-13, 2019. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the overnight parking request. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a memo from Kelson Mosier, representing Syringa Springs HOA requesting the Council consider adding speed bumps on Magnolia and Syringa Springs Drive in the Syringa Springs Subdivision. Mr. Mosier explained as the neighborhood grows and as the streets are now open and connected to other city streets out of the subdivision, the incidents of speeding through the neighborhood have increased dramatically over the last year. In the opinion of the HOA Board, a couple of speed bumps on Magnolia and Syringa Springs Drive would do a lot to slow down some of the traffic. Charleen Grant, representing Syringa Springs HOA, stood and explained they would like 6 speed bumps installed between Syringa Springs Drive and Magnolia or that cross walks be installed. The Council discussed the effectiveness of the requested speed bumps and cross walks and a possible traffic study. Transportation Engineer, Bill Russell explained a traffic study would need to be done to prove that speeding is occurring and installing speed bumps and cross walks adds a false sense of security and are not always effective. The Council agreed to have Fruitland Police run extra patrol in the subdivision and to report back in July, 2019.

Councilor Grimes moved to approve the request for variance to eliminate internal parking lot landscaping requirements and reduce off-street parking requirements for Swire Coca Cola, 605 NW 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Jerry Haines, 1002 Partridge Street, representing Veterans Advocates of ORE-IDA invited the Mayor and Council to their grand reopening celebration on May 18, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. At the Veterans Advocates facility located at 180 W. Idaho, Ontario, OR 97914.

Grant Baxter, 2205 Shamrock Court, requested an update on the pedestrian pathway installed at the south end of Shamrock Court. Fence panels were removed and he is concerned about the aesthetics of the remaining fence posts. Public Works Supervisor, Jerry Campbell explained the fence panels were removed to expose a fire hydrant. The fence panels will be reinstalled as required by the current development agreement.

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

Carol Garrison of CG Enterprises LLC, explained the two different types of grants being considered for the NW 9<sup>th</sup> Street and NW 7<sup>th</sup> Street construction projects. NW 9<sup>th</sup> Street would best qualify for a Rural Community Block Grant (RCBG) in the amount of \$230,000.00 and NW 7<sup>th</sup> Street would best qualify for an Idaho Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) in the amount of \$500,000.00. Carol explained the city can apply for these grants quarterly. The ICDBG grant would take longer to apply for and would also require an Environmental Assessment. Ms. Garrison explained she would be able to submit the grant application for the RCBG grant this quarter in June.

The Council reviewed a Grant Writer Contract between CG Enterprises LLC and the City of Fruitland for Rural Community Block Grant Administration Services for the NW 9<sup>th</sup> Street Project in the amount of \$11,500.00. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the contract. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Roll call vote: Grimes, aye. Pierson, aye. Carpenter, aye. Peterson, aye. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed an Environmental Assessment Proposal for the NW 7<sup>th</sup> Street Project submitted by T-O Engineers. Councilor Grimes moved to approve the proposal in the amount of \$25,850.00. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

The April 2019 Police Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Huff. Councilor Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The April 2019 Fire Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Campbell. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.

The April 2019 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 April 2019 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 April 2019 Ambulance Department Activity Report was presented by Ambulance Director Michelle Giokas. Councilor Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the April 2019 Parks & Trails Committees Activity Report.

Councilor Pierson moved to reschedule the July 8 & 22, 2019 City Council meetings to July 15, 2019 at 5:30 PM and July 29, 2019. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Motion carried.

Councilor Grimes moved to read Corrected Ordinance No. 652 - Partial Street Annexations, by title only. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried. Councilor Pierson moved to suspend the rules and adopt Corrected Ordinance No. 652. Seconded by Councilor Grimes. Roll call vote: Grimes, aye. Pierson, aye. Carpenter, aye. Peterson, aye. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed an amended 2018-19 Budget proposal. Councilor Pierson moved to tentatively adopt the amended 2018-19 Budget and to proceed with public hearing procedures for the June 10, 2019 City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The April 2019 bills were reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the bills. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

Councilor Carpenter moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried at 8:37 P.M.

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Brian Howell, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rick S. Watkins, City Clerk