June 12, 2017

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, Stuart Grimes, Jeff Carpenter, Ed Pierson.
ABSENT: Reece Hrizuk.
STAFF PRESENT: J.D. Huff, Michelle Giokas, Carl Hipwell, Jerry Campbell, Danny Little, Suzanne Pearcy, Jacob Catmull, Stephanie Bonney.
OTHERS PRESENT: Charles Otte, Rob Ruth.

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

Councilman Grimes moved to approve the May 22, 2017 minutes. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request from Jacob Rynearson to waive curb, gutter, sidewalk, and street construction requirements regarding his undeveloped lot located at 407 N. Pennsylvania Avenue. Mr. Rynearson will donate up to ten feet of right-of-way on N. Pennsylvania Avenue and NW 4th in anticipation of future street development by the City. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the waiver request. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

Citizen Requests-

Mayor Bishop explained he has received complaints regarding two site triangle obstructions. The first is the display sign located at Hometown Auto Village, 1500 N. Whitley Drive. The second is due to vines growing on a chain link fence at 730 SW 3rd Street. Police Chief Huff will address the issues.

Jacob Catmull of Evans Poulson & Catmull, CPA’s presented the 2015-16 Financial Audit. Mr. Catmull explained there had been some allocation errors of the accounts payable in the Caselle computer program that were corrected. Councilman Pierson moved to accept the 2015-16 Audit Report. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the revised September 30, 2016 Finance Statement and the revised October 1, 2016 Cash Forward Statement as a result of correcting audit adjustments from a past audit. Councilman Grimes moved to accept the revised Finance and Cash Forward Statements. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

City Engineer Reports-

The Transportation Engineer Report was reviewed. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.
The Water/Sewer Engineer Report was presented by Engineer Hipwell. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council discussed failing air compressors at the Water Treatment Plant. Water/Sewer Engineer Hipwell explained that Idaho Power has an incentive program to help pay for replacement of the compressors. The Council reviewed cost estimates for compressor replacement and costs to upgrade the circuit breaker to support larger compressors. Councilman Pierson moved to authorize up to $28,000 to replace the compressors and upgrade the electrical gear. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

May 2017 Department Activity Reports –

The May 2017 Police Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Huff. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

Police Chief Huff explained he would like to withdraw his request regarding the sale of a 2003 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor. Chief Huff explained he has assigned this vehicle to Detective Juanita Toll as an undercover/patrol car. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the disposal cancellation request. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed an Intergovernmental Agreement for Consolidation Emergency Communication System (911 Dispatch Services). Mayor Bishop explained this agreement was revised to assist in oversite of the Dispatch Center and to recalculate the formula used to pay for dispatch services. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the agreement. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

The May 2017 Fire Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Campbell. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

The May 2017 Public Works Activity Report was presented by Public Works Supervisor, Jerry Campbell. He explained his crew is working on several projects this summer. They are currently working through some issues regarding the S. Pennsylvania Avenue Project. They discovered that they need to widen the project another four feet in order to align the asphalt correctly. The Intermountain Gas Company has a line that is only 24” deep that needs lowered. They have also discovered conflicts with the storm sewer alignments. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

The May 2017 Building Department Activity Report was presented by Building Official, Danny Little. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

The May 2017 Ambulance Department Activity Report was presented by Ambulance Director, Michelle Giokas. Councilman Carpenter moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the May 2017 Parks & Trails Committees Activity report.
The Council reviewed a 2017 Water/Sewer Rate Study submitted by City Treasurer, Rick Watkins. Rick recommended leaving the rates as they are for 2018.

The Council reviewed Mayor and Council salaries for 2018. The Council agreed to increase the Mayor’s compensation from $800.00 per month to $1,000.00 per month and for the Council compensation to remain at $550.00 per month. City Attorney, Stephanie Bonney will draft an ordinance to adopt the change.

The Council agreed to schedule the 2017-18 budget workshop for Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.

The May 2017 bills were reviewed by the Council. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the bills. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(1)(b) Personnel Evaluation. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Roll call vote: Grimes, aye. Carpenter, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried at 8:45 P.M.

The Council came out of Executive Session at 9:08 P.M.

Councilman Pierson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried at 9:08 P.M.

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Ken Bishop, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rick S. Watkins, City Clerk