

November 28, 2017

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

PRESENT: Stuart Grimes, Jeff Carpenter, Ken Bishop, Ed Pierson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Jerry Campbell, J.D. Huff, Danny Little.

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Tippetts, Brian Howell, Charles Otte, Rob Ruth.

The meeting was opened by Mayor Bishop and the roll was taken.

Councilman Grimes moved to approve the November 13, 2017 City Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

The November 2017 Fruitland Planning & Zoning Commission report was presented by Zoning Administrator Rick Watkins. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

During Citizen Requests, Scott Tippetts, 152 Sycamore Street, Fruitland offered a letter regarding Alta Mesa and his comments regarding gas and oil exploration and development. Mayor Bishop advised Mr. Tippetts the gas and oil ordinance public hearing to receive his testimony will be held on December 11th and he would be able to testify at that time. City Clerk Watkins received the letter and will distribute it in the Council packets with the December 11th agenda at the appropriate time.

A written report from HDR Engineering, City Transportation Engineer was reviewed. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

A written report from T-O Engineers, City Water & Sewer Engineers was reviewed. Councilman Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Grimes. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed conflicting policy regarding the appointment of department heads. Fruitland City Code 1-5-4 lists all of the offices created and 1-5-5 states in part "...The appointment to each position shall be for a period of one (1) year or unless removed for cause in accordance with Idaho Code section 50-206." The City of Fruitland Personnel Policy-Page 2 G.1. Appointments: states in part "...Their term of office shall be indefinite, and they may be removed at the pleasure of the Mayor with the approval of the Council..." The Council requested the City Attorney amend City Code 1-5-5 by removing the annual appointments provision and bringing it more in line with the Personnel Policy version. It is also requested that "cause for termination" be included.

The October 2017 Finance Report was reviewed. Councilman Grimes moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

Due to the second regular meeting of December scheduled for the 25th (Christmas Day), Councilman Pierson moved to reschedule the meeting to Tuesday, December 26th at 7:00 P.M. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried.

Councilman Pierson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried. 7:18 P.M.

Ken Bishop, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rick S. Watkins, City Clerk