

April 22, 2024

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

PRESENT: Tom Limbaugh, Jeff Carpenter, Kari Peterson, Ed Pierson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Stephanie Bonney, JD Huff, Matt Brock, Danny Little, Mark Little, Rick Funk, Jesse Wetzel, Stuart Grimes.

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Yasuda, Terry Lindenberg, Miranda Murray, Corey Evan, Sam Peterson, Lisa Woods, Seneca Woods, Lisa Hillam, Amber Drollinger, Tanya Lopez, Annie Knudsen.

Council President, Kari Peterson called the meeting to order and roll was taken.

Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the April 8, 2024 minutes. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to appoint Councilor Kari Peterson to fill the vacant Mayor position. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Councilor Limbaugh moved to elect Councilor Pierson as Council President. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

City Clerk, Suzanne Percy, presented Mayor Peterson with a certificate of appointment whom subscribed to the oath of office as Mayor to serve until the next general city election.

Mayor Peterson appointed Cathy Yasuda as City Councilor to fill the vacant council position. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Mayor Peterson presented a certificate of appointment to Cathy Yasuda whom subscribed to the oath of office as a City Council member to serve until the next general city election.

The April 2024 Fruitland Planning & Zoning Commission Report was presented by Zoning Administrator, Danny Little. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request from Payette County Planning and Zoning for an Impact Area Recommendation regarding an application submitted by Todd Meyers & Greg Day requesting a rezone from Agricultural to Commercial for property located on the NW corner of HWY 95 and SW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Councilor Pierson moved to send a favorable recommendation to Payette County

Planning and Zoning with development to follow city landscape standards. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request from Payette County Planning and Zoning for an Impact Area Recommendation regarding an application submitted by Payette Rentals for a Conditional Use Permit to allow commercial use at 8700 Shannon Road. Councilor Carpenter moved to send a favorable recommendation to Payette County Planning and Zoning limiting to ten pieces of equipment on site. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

Terri Lindenberg, representing Treasure Valley Transit presented the Annual Public Transportation Report to the Council and requested funding of \$26,830.00 to meet the match requirements for the operations of Snake River Transit. Councilor Limbaugh moved to have this item addressed at the upcoming 2024-2025 budget year workshop. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

City Administrator, Stuart Grimes updated the Council regarding the city owned property located at 721 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Reece Hrizuk has expressed interest in purchasing the home and having it moved to a different location. He is currently working with home movers to get a cost estimate. Stuart also stated that the family of the previous owner have expressed that they would like to salvage a few sentimental items from the home such as the old claw foot tub and some moldings. Councilor Carpenter moved to allow the family to salvage some items and to table making a decision on the property to allow Mr. Hrizuk time to decide if he is interesting in purchasing the home. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Council discussed membership dues for the Snake River Economic Development Alliance (SREDA). It was recently discovered that not all members of SREDA have been paying their share of \$1.00 per population with a maximum of \$10,000.00. Councilor Limbaugh moved to hold the current physical year's payment until clarification of why not all cities and counties are paying their full share. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

Tanya Lopez, stood and addressed the Council stating she would like to be considered to fill the vacant position on the Fruitland Planning & Zoning Commission.

The Transportation Engineer Report was reviewed. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

City Administrator, Stuart Grimes updated the Council regarding application scores for the 2024 Children Pedestrian Safety Grant Program. Stuart explained that the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) may receive an additional ten million in funding to complete more project applications. Fruitland has currently placed 13<sup>th</sup> out of 48 applications. If this additional funding is received then the proposed SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Iowa Avenue to Pennsylvania Avenue Children Pedestrian Safety project may be funded. Stuart will continue to update the Council as more information is received.

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

Police Chief Huff and Anne Knudsen from the Fruitland Chamber of Commerce presented the Council with a donation from D.L. Evans Bank, Fruitland Chamber of Commerce and other members of the community in the amount of \$12,500.00 for the purchase of a K-9 unit.

The Councilor scheduled an open house for the public viewing of the new police station for May 31, 2024 from Noon to 7:00 P.M.

The Council reviewed a memo from Ambulance Director, Rick Funk requesting a fee increase of 3% for ambulance services. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the fee increase of 3%. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to approve Resolution No 2024-08- Ambulance Fees. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

Councilor Limbaugh moved to suspend the rules and read Ordinance No.708- Amending City Code 8-5-3-Property eligible for inclusion in reimbursement, by title only. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried. Councilor Limbaugh moved to adopt Ordinance No. 708. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Councilor Limbaugh moved to cancel the May 27, 2024 City Council Meeting in observance of Memorial Day. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The March 2024 Finance Report was reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the March 2024 Finance Report. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Quarterly Financial Report was reviewed by the Council. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the Treasurer's Quarterly Financial Report. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried at 8:01 P.M.

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Kari Peterson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Suzanne Percy, City Clerk