

August 12, 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, Cathy Yasuda, Ed Pierson (via Teams Meeting).

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Kasey Ketterling, Ren Thurgood, JD Huff, Rick Funk, Matt Brock, Danny Little, Mark Little, Jesse Wetzal, Stuart Grimes, Brandon Tarvin.

OTHERS PRESENT: Holly Tarvin, Charles Otte, Bill Pimentel, Toni Arnzen, Jann Bell, Scott Stuart, Noel Bromley, Karen Roth, Aren Campbell, Annie Knudsen, Cortney Nelson, Barbara Martien, Krista King, Holly Hutchinson.

Mayor Peterson called the meeting to order, and roll was taken.

Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the July 22, 2024 minutes. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

A public hearing was opened at 7:00 P.M. for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding the consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025. The proposed expenditure totals per department and fund were read aloud.

No testimony was given, and the hearing was closed at 7:10 P.M.

Councilor Carpenter moved to suspend the rules and read Ordinance No. 709-2024-2025 Appropriations, by title only. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried. Councilor Carpenter moved to adopt Ordinance No. 709. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Peterson appointed Brandon Tarvin as Fruitland Fire Chief effective September 9, 2024. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried. Brandon will subscribe to the oath of office as Fire Chief at the September 9, 2024 City Council meeting.

The Council reviewed a special event permit application from Fruitland United Methodist Church for a Fall Festival & Holiday Bazaar Event to be held on September 28, 2024 from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. They will have 8-10 local vendors selling a variety of craft and home good items. Games will be played on the church lawn and back parking lot from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Parking for attendees will be available at the west side of the church and the Fruitland City Parking Lot. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the special event application. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a special event permit application from Corpus Christi Catholic Church for a CCW Holiday Bazaar to be held on October 25-27, 2024 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. They will have 10-25 vendors selling a variety of goods. All event activities will take place on church property. Parking for attendees will be available at the church parking lot. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the special event application. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a special event permit application from the Fruitland Chamber of Commerce for the annual Fruitland Family Fun Days to be held on September 14, 2024 from, 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Krista King stood to answer questions and explained that the purpose of the event is to bring the community together with a free day filled with entertainment, kid's activities and local vendors. They are asking to close SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street from Colorado down to Iowa Avenue from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Krista asked the Council to waive the fee requirements. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the request from Fruitland Chamber of Commerce for a special event permit for Fruitland Family Fun Days and to waive the fee requirements. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

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

The Council reviewed a Professional Services Agreement & Scope of Work from Ardurra Engineers for the engineering services for SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Iowa Avenue to Pennsylvania Avenue, Sidewalk Project. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the agreement in the amount of \$35,799.00. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Kasey Ketterling of Ardurra Engineers explained they toured the water and wastewater treatment plants with city staff on August 5, 2024. Improvement projects were discussed regarding capacity and have been outlined in the August 8, 2024 Fruitland Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Capacity Memo. Water system improvements cost estimates total \$5,707,000 and wastewater system improvements cost estimates is \$10,878,000. For a total of \$16,585,000. Kasey further explained that a Water Treatment Plant Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) with an estimated cost of \$75,000, Wastewater Master Plan with an estimated cost of \$125,000, and a Wastewater PER with an estimated cost of \$60,000 would be required by DEQ regardless of when a bond election is held. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the Water/Sewer Engineer report and to move forward with the Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Preliminary Engineering Reports and Wastewater Master Plan. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The July 2024 Police Department Activity Report was presented by Police Chief, JD Huff. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The July 2024 Police Reserve Fund Bank Statement was reviewed by the Council. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the July 2024 Police Reserve Fund Bank Statement. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The July 2024 Fire Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Little. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The July 2024 Public Works Department Activity Report was presented by Public Works Director, Matt Brock. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

The July 2024 Building Department Activity Report was presented by Building Official, Danny Little. Councilor Yasuda moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The July 2024 Technology Department Activity Report was presented by IT Manager, Jesse Wetzal. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The July 2024 Ambulance Department Activity Report was presented by Ambulance Director, Rick Funk. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a memo from Ambulance Director, Rick Funk requesting permission to participate in an Idaho Department of Health and Welfare FY 2025 EMS agency vehicle & equipment grant in the amount of \$34,343.20 to be used to purchase 700 radios. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the grant participation request. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a letter from Snake River Oil and Gas, LLC requesting to reach an agreement pertaining to mineral rights owned by the City totaling 20 acres listed as Township 8 North, Range 5 West Section 9 and Section 10 Payette County, Idaho. Councilor Pierson moved to deny the request. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to take no action in relation to the proposed water & sewer revenue bonds. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The July 2024 bills were reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the bills. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

Councilor Carpenter moved to enter Executive Session: Idaho Code section 74-206(1)(b)- Personnel. Seconded by Councilman Limbaugh. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried at 8:15 P.M.

The Council came out of Executive Session at 8:48 P.M.

Councilor Carpenter moved to authorize a 20% wage increase for Branndon Tarvin to compensate for his new Fire Chief responsibilities and to reclassify his position of Building

Inspector/Fire Chief from an hourly paid employee to salary employee, effective as of the current pay period. Seconded by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

Councilor Carpenter moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried at 9:02 P.M.

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Kari Peterson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Suzanne Percy, City Clerk