

January 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: Brian Howell, Tom Limbaugh, Jeff Carpenter, Kari Peterson, Ed Pierson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: JD Huff, Matt Brock, Danny Little, Stuart Grimes.

OTHERS PRESENT: None.

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

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

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

The Council reviewed a request from Payette County Clerk, Lindsey Bratcher requesting to use Fruitland City Hall as a polling place for the upcoming Payette County elections scheduled for May 21, 2024, August 27, 2024 and November 5, 2024. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the facilities use request. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a letter from the Fruitland Chamber of Commerce requesting permission to use the meeting room at the Water Treatment Plant for a leadership program to be held from 1:00 P.M.- 3:50 P.M. on February 1, 2024, March 7, 2024, April 4, 2024, May 2, 2024, June 6, 2024, and September 5, 2024. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the facilities use request. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

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

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

The Council reviewed proposed fee increases for water & sewer capacity fees, water & sewer hookup fees and water service line fees. City Administrator, Stuart Grimes explained to the Council that the current capacity fee structure is not adequate to cover the cost to replace the allocated equivalent residential unit (ERU) and recommends a fee increase of the capacity fees to be more in line with what it actually costs the city to replace the ERU's and also be closer to what the average fees are in other Idaho cities. Public Works Director, Matt Brock explained that he has completed a cost comparison of materials used for water & sewer hookups and water service lines and recommends fee increases to defray the current costs of the water & sewer

system materials. Councilor Peterson moved to schedule a public hearing for needed fee increases in excess of 5%. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed an Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) Emerging Contaminant Grant Application for the requested amount of \$70,000.00 as part of a public drinking water system pre-treatment study. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the grant application. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a 2024 Water Treatment Plant Piping Modifications Scope of Services in the amount of \$9,000.00 for Ardurra to design piping modifications to bypass the GAC building and allow for direct routing of flow from the membranes to the chlorine contact chamber to improve membrane operation. Councilor Peterson moved to approve the Scope of Services. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Peterson, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request from City Administrator, Stuart Grimes to dispose of the 2000 Dodge Caravan by public auction. The van isn't reliable and requires maintenance for a multitude of issues and is no longer being used. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the property disposal request. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed an updated Joint Powers Subscriber Agreement between the City of Fruitland and Idaho Counties Risk Management Program (ICRMP). Councilor Pierson moved to approve the agreement. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The December 2023 Finance Report was reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the December 2023 Finance Report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

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

Councilor Carpenter moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried at 7:25 P.M.

Brian Howell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Suzanne Percy, City Clerk