

October 28, 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.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Stephanie Bonney, JD Huff, Matt Brock, Brandon Tarvin, Danny Little, Rick Funk, Jesse Wetzell, Stuart Grimes, Samantha Herrera, Manual Rios, Ben Key, Juanita Kelleher.

OTHERS PRESENT: Zack Munoz, Jason Contres, Bennet Smith, Kennedy Jensen, Isahi Salinas, Isacc Carter, Jake Swann, Dillon Praeger, Max Arvidson, Deb Key, Lisa Popoff, Corey Evan, Manuel Rios, Venessa Rios, Ashlyn Lloyd, Rode Larsen, Tanya Lopez, Santiago Gonzalez, John Spinney, Eliana Norris, Leo Cisneros, Krista King, Taylor Campbel, Carl Grosvenor.

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

Councilor Pierson moved to approve September 23, 2024 minutes. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The October 2024 Fruitland Planning & Zoning Commission Report was reviewed. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the report. Second, by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

Police Chief Huff introduced Ben Key of the Fruitland Police Department and gave special recognition as he has been promoted from Sergeant to Lieutenant of the Fruitland Police Department.

Police Chief Huff introduced Juanita Kelleher of the Fruitland Police Department and gave special recognition as she has been promoted from Detective to Sergeant of the Fruitland Police Department.

Lisa Popoff representing the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council presented a Road Scholar Program certificate to Manuel Rios of the Fruitland Public Works Department.

A public hearing was opened at 7:09 P.M. for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding a proposal to amend City Code 1-9-3 by adding a new fingerprinting serve fee for anyone requesting the service. Current City Code only allows for nonresident fingerprint fees. The purpose of the amendment and new fee is to recoup expenses to help offset the associated personnel related costs and operational costs.

No testimony was given, and the hearing was closed at 7:14 P.M.

Councilor Pierson moved to suspend the rules and read Ordinance No. 710- Amend City Code 1-9-3 Fingerprinting Service Fee, by title only. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried. Councilor Pierson moved to adopt Ordinance No. 710. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-10- Fingerprinting Service Fee. Second, by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

Mr. Arvidson, representing Treasure Valley Classical Academy (TVCA), 500 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, explained to the Council that TVCA is asking permission to raise a large American flag between two Idaho Power ladder trucks in front of the school on November 11, 2024 from 9:00 A.M. to Noon for a Veteran’s Day program. Idaho Power staff will be on sight to ensure safety and TVCA will have staff on site to direct traffic. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the street use request. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a special event permit application from the Fruitland Chamber of Commerce for “Christmas on Main Street” to be held on December 5, 2024 from 5:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M at the Fruitland Community Park and SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Krista King stood to answer questions and explained that the purpose of the event is to bring the community together with a Peace Candle lighting, tree lighting, Passport Business Walk for citizens to win prizes by getting passports stamped by local businesses, Santa will be available to meet with children, fire truck and hayrides will also be available. Public Works Director, Matt Brock recommended a temporary street closure during the tree lighting event from Colorado Avenue to Kansas Avenue to accommodate a large crowd. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the request from the Fruitland Chamber of Commerce for a special event permit for “Christmas on Main Street” and to waive the fee requirements. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request from Payette County Planning and Zoning for an Impact Area Recommendation regarding a request from Jan Lilyers for a Conditional Use Permit to allow an Air Bed & Breakfast at 2255 HWY 30. Councilor Limbaugh moved to send a favorable recommendation to Payette County Planning and Zoning. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a request from Payette County Planning and Zoning for an Impact Area Recommendation regarding a request to transfer a development right from: Parcel Southwest of 2680 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to Parcel West of 8687 Washoe Road. Councilor Limbaugh moved to send an unfavorable recommendation to Payette County Planning and Zoning, due to the original parcel having exceeded the number of times allowed to be split. Second, by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

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

The Council reviewed a 2024 Local Children Pedestrian Safety Program Agreement between the City of Fruitland and the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council for SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Iowa Avenue to Pennsylvania Avenue. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the agreement. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

City Administrator, Stuart Grimes updated the Council on proposed Master Transportation Plan Amendments. Ardurra Engineering is currently working on the proposed changes to be presented to the Council for review and approval.

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

The September 2024 Police Department Activity Report was presented by Police Chief, JD Huff. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

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

The Council reviewed a Fruitland School Resource Officer Agreement between the City of Fruitland and the School District Number 373 to provide increased law enforcement services to the district. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the agreement. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

The September 2024 Fire Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Tarvin. Councilor Yasuda moved to approve the report. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a service proposal from Julie Atkinson of JPA Consulting for grant writing services in the amount of \$60/hour. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the services proposal with funds to be used from General Fund, Capital Projects. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-11- Fruitland Fire Department, Updated Standard Operating Guidelines. Second, by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Tarvin explained that he along with Police Chief Huff, and Ambulance Chief, Funk would like to hold a joint First Responders and Employee Appreciation Banquet each year to honor the First Responders and City of Fruitland employees. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the joint First Responders and Employee Appreciation Banquet. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

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

The September 2024 Building Department Activity Report was presented by Building Official, Danny Little. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a Fruitland/Payette County Building Inspection Agreement between the City of Fruitland and the County of Payette for Fruitland to continue providing building and mechanical inspections in Payette County. The agreement decreases the revenue split from 65/35 to a 50/50 split. City Treasurer, Suzanne Percy explained concerns regarding rather or not the agreement is financially beneficial to the City as there is currently a revenue shortfall in the Building Department Fund. Providing the inspection services in the County consume 50% of building staff time and resources and the current revenues received from the agreement do not cover the related expenses. Councilman Limbaugh moved to table the item to allow time to discuss the agreement with the County. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The September 2024 Technology Department Activity Report was presented by IT Manager, Jesse Wetzel. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the report. Second, by Councilor Yasuda. Motion carried.

The September 2024 Ambulance Department Activity Report was presented by Ambulance Director, Rick Funk. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed an Idaho Counties Risk Management Program (ICRMP), Region 1, Board of Trustees Nomination Form. Councilor Pierson moved to support the current incumbent trustee representative, Garden City Mayor, John Evans. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a Utility Easement and Agreement between Highway District No.1 and the City of Fruitland for rights of way and property on Northwest 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue allowing access to maintain water infrastructure installed in the right of way. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the agreement. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

The September 2024 Finance Report was reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the September 2024 Finance Report. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

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

The October 1, 2024 Cash Forward Statement was reviewed. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the 2023-2024 Audit engagement letter with Poulsen, Vanleuven & Catmull, PA. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the audit contract. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda, aye, Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

The September 2024 bills were reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the bills. Second, by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code section 74-206(1)(f)- Potential Litigation. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Yasuda aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried at 8:28 P.M.

Regular session was resumed at 9:28 P.M.

Councilor Carpenter made a motion to move forward with a public hearing to adjust water rate fees. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to adjourn. Second, by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried at 9:28 P.M.

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Kari Peterson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Suzanne Percy, City Clerk