

## Minutes of 2-09-2021 Regular Meeting of the East Hope City Council

The Regular meeting of the East Hope City Council was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Vernon Fleisher. Council members Tom Grimm, Lonna Bernard (via Phone), Don Wells, and Debbie Field were present and constituted a quorum.

### Audience Comments:

None.

### Approval of Minutes

Council member Grimm moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of 1/12/2021, council member Field seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

### Approval of Bills/Financial Report

Council member Grimm moved to pay the January bills in the amount of \$34,427.76, council member Wells seconded, and the motion carried 4-0. The financial reports were reviewed.

### Public Hearing:

None

### Old Business

#### City Park Update & Playground Equipment Fundraiser

The City is holding a plant/top soil fundraiser that started this month. Since the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month, we have collected \$450 so far. The playground fundraiser has nearly hit their goal of \$10,000, they have collected \$9,715. The City will also be applying for grants to help with the park project.

#### Water Facility Project Update- Substantial Completion of Water Facility Project

Mayor Fleisher and JUB Engineer area manager Steve James had a conference call regarding the additional payment requested by the City for testing done on slow sand filter 3. Mr. James later contacted the City to confirm that they will be sending a check for the additional testing cost requested.

#### Draft Transportation Plan Public Hearing Date

A public hearing will be scheduled for the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting to take public testimony on the updated draft transportation plan that was completed by Welch Comer.

### New Business

#### Request to Remove Trees within City Right of Way on Ellisport St.

Jack Zearfoss is requesting permission to remove some trees within the City's right of way along Ellisport Street at no cost to the City and he will be responsible for the cleanup. Council member Field moved to grant the request, council member Grimm seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

#### Approval of FY2020 Audit

Council member Grimm moved to accept the completed fiscal year 2020 audit that was performed by DM-T, council member Wells seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

#### Quiet Zone Vandalism Camera Surveillance

There has been a little vandalism again at the quiet zone crossing, some of the black caps on the delineators have been removed and thrown aside. Staff has suggested putting up surveillance signs and dummy cameras for a cost of less than \$50 to hopefully detour these incidents and council agreed.

Presentation by NISA(North Idaho Sportfishing Association)

The North Idaho Sportfishing Association made a presentation to council requesting support of their petition to stop the gill netting of walleye in Lake Pend Oreille. Council will take this information and discuss at the March meeting. This information will also be put in the March newsletter.

Staff Report

Planning and Zoning

East Hope received 2 new building permit applications this month. One is for a carport and one is for a new single-family dwelling. No new land use applications have been received in 2021 to date. Staff has fielded several calls regarding setback regulations, stormwater requirements, pending building permit applications and subdivision inquiries.

Water/Streets

The EPA has deemed May 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup> as drinking water week to help educate residents on our water system.

Clerk

Planning for fiscal year 2022 budget is on the horizon and at the April meeting council will need to set their budget hearing date. The clerk will continue to send out updates on the legislative session. Staff is working on grant applications for the park. Also, the clerk is on jury duty for the month of April so office hours may vary during that time period.

Announcements

The next city council meeting will be March 9, 2021.

Having no further business council member Grimm moved to adjourn and council member Wells seconded, meeting adjourned at 7 pm.

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Vernon Fleisher, Mayor

Attest:

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Christy Franck, City Clerk