

City Council Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2024

5:00 p.m.

Stanley Community Center, 510 Eva Falls Stanley, ID 83278

Regular Council Meeting (Idaho Code 74-204 (1)

Call to Order: (Mayor Botti) Mayor Botti calls the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

Roll Call: Mayor Steve Botti (Present), Councilmember President Laurii Gadwa: (present), Councilmember Kim Hernandez (present), Councilmember Tim Cron (present), Councilmember Gabe Cardoso (present). All answered roll call. Also present for the City Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Hayes.

Agenda Amendments [Idaho Code 74-204 (4)(b) and (c)]:

Mayor Comments: Mayor Botti announces that in conjunction with the county office of emergency services, governors' office and small business administration to get an economic injury declaration for Custer Co. that would allow business owners impacted by the Bench Lake fire and Wapiti fire to apply for low interest disaster loans was successful. SBA will be providing a press release shortly with more details. Option Tax receipts are down in revenue from July and August. Mayor Botti also announces the departure of City Clerk, Jennifer Hayes.

Council Comments: Councilmember Hernandez announces that there will be a Day of the Dead celebration and parade on November 2, 2024, at the Sawtooth Hotel at 4PM. The parade will go around the block and end at the Rod &Gun. Trip Costas, the owner, approves and is involved in the celebration. Everyone is invited to dress up, there will be food and music. It is to get the community involved and celebrate after a tough summer.

Presentations/Citizen Participation:

The public is invited to present commentary at will regarding any city-related business, whether or not that item is included on the agenda. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes and may or may not be addressed by the Council/Mayor.

Consent Agenda:

- September 12, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes, and the Payment approval Unpaid and prepaid bills for September – Action item.
 - Council president Gadwa motions to approve consent agenda, councilmember Cardoso seconds motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Law Enforcement: Sherrif Maydole and Lisa Bennet present. Maydole hands out sheriff's Office Commissioners report, and Department Status-Report to councilmembers and mayor to look over and ask any questions. Mayor Botti asks about the new billing for SARS. Sherriff Maydole reports that it is a new system for assisting the officers on how to properly submit paperwork.

- Sheriff's Reports
- Incident Reports

Community Building: Nothing to report.

Pioneer Park: Operations manager Peters reports that the water has been turned off, the cows are gone for now, and the park is still open to enjoy, has not been closed for the winter yet.

Streets and Roads:

- Speed bumps have been removed for the winter.
- Snow markers on posts will be going up to guide traffic.

Ad Hoc Committee Chairs:

<u>Cemetery: (Laurii Gadwa):</u> Nothing to report.

Code Review/Revision: (Steve Botti): Nothing to report.

<u>Sawtooth Association (SIHA): (Lin Gray):</u> The museum is closed for the season. There has been some interest from Idaho Rivers United in moving the Salmon Fest into town to increase participation. It is usually held the weekend before Labor Day, however, this maybe too early the Salmon have not been making redds by that time, so it may be moved to Labor Day weekend. SIHA may in the future be requesting assistance from the city if moved.

<u>Snowmobile Groomer: (Gary Gadwa):</u> Councilmember Gadwa speaks, there are some bridge issues that need to be addressed. Bridge over Vally Creek was driven over by vehicle and cracked and disabled bridge. It is on the snowmobiler's agenda to fix this bridge as well as a few others, there are also some gate issues that need to be addressed. A date has been set for the groomer's meeting; it will be three weeks from today.

Chamber of Commerce: (Chamber Representative)

Report on current activities, advertising, events, etc.

- Lin Gray reports for the Chamber. The membership meeting has been scheduled, not sure of date, will notify city at a later date. Funding has been received from the Idaho Travel Grant, there are less funds to go around this year, budget changed.
- Councilmember Cardoso requests more Chamber participation from Chamber for Council meetings.
- Mayor Botti requests help from the chamber in getting the word out to businesses about the emergency declaration. Any business affected is now eligible to apply, applications have until July 2025. Lisa Bennet can put anyone interested in touch with the Small Business Association and they handle it from there.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

- Jeff Welker presents his request for a donation from the city for the Fat Bike Fondo for their 11th annual event scheduled February 02/22/25 thru 02/23/25.
 - Council Member Cron responds with planned community event that has been in discussion even though he supports the Fat Bike Fondo.
 - Council member Gadwa Motions to table request to November 14th, 2024, city council.
 Council member Cordoso seconds. -All in favor, non-opposed. Motion Passes.
- Noel Basey presents for free movie night and dinner. And use of the visitor center/Chamber for babysitting during movie and have fees waived for use of Community Center.
 - Council Member Gadwa brings up a few concerns: Due to security issues and the space in the visitor center/Chamber office is not part of the community building rental. Council member Gadwa's concern about waiving fees is the fact that they are Christian based movies-which she has no problem with- but, if they start down that road they would have to waive it for a lot of other people- which may not be appropriate-. Therefore she is against waiving the fees, as far as renting building, welcome to rent the building.
 - Council Member Cordoso responds with the bigger issue and that is the license. There
 needs to be a license from the MPAA-Motion Picture Association of America- there are
 significant fines if you do not have one to show movies. Mountain Village may have more

information on that. Cordoso praises the effort Noel has put forth for community involvement.

- Council Member Hernandez responds about the positivity of community involvement, and what we do for one we have to do for all.
- After discussion it is agreed upon to consult the city lawyer for legal clarification on how to proceed.
- Rivera/Clair Conditional use permit for Teepee for daughter
 - As per the request of Rivera this will be moved to November Council meeting. Tabled per their request.
- Resolution relating to fire suppression for Wapiti Fire.
 - Mayor Botti intent is to sum up the gratitude on behalf of the city in the management and suppression of the Bench Lakes and Wapiti Fires. Great examples of decision making in crisis situations and how it should be done. Mayor Botti reads aloud Resolution 2024-3. Council Member Gadwa Motions to Approve Resolution 2024-3, Council member Hernandez seconds. -All in favor non approved. Motion Passes
- Pancake Breakfast second Saturday of each month.
 - The first one will be this Saturday October 12, 2024, from 8 AM until 10 Am. There will be pancakes, some fruit, eggs, and bacon served. There will be about five volunteers to help serve each Saturday.

Building Permits approved by the Building Administrator:

• None.

City Clerk Report: (Jennifer Hayes)

• Still working on backloading and entering budget in BMS and closing out the fiscal year. Everything is moving forward.

Option Tax/Treasury Report:

- Option Tax update-Option tax is down 8% for July and 24% for August from last year.
- Budget Workshop Dates—

Adjournment: Mayor Botti adjourns the meeting at 5:45 PM.

Steve Botti, Mayor

ATTEST:_____ City Clerk/Treasurer