

Mayor David Anderson called the special meeting of July 22, 2008 to order at 6:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Anderson, Council President John Langs, Council Members Dave Sims, Connie Wells, and Dave Gray, Clerk Kris Larson, Deputy Police Chief Rick Alonzo, and Civil Engineer Mike Klaus. Also present was Sarah Thomas from Bonners Ferry Herald.

The purpose of the special meeting was to consider electric rate increases and equipment charges, hire a police officer, consider purchase of street equipment, approve vendors for the Swish Tournament, and review fiscal year 2009 budget.

Dave Sims moved to adopt the electrical increases and equipment charge rates as presented at the hearing on July 15, 2008. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. Council adopted Resolution 2008-03 establishing the fees for the City of Bonners Ferry.

Rick Alonzo spoke to council regarding the proposed patrol officer hire. He gave a brief history of Tiffany Murray who is employed by the City of Nampa. She would have to get FTO certification but would not have to go to POST. Tiffany's husband is employed by Boundary County Sheriff's Office. Tiffany is a local girl and she and her husband want to live in our area. John Langs moved to hire Tiffany Murray. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. Rick said the start date would be around mid-August.

Mayor Anderson informed council that the street department will not be able to acquire oil this summer. He said John Youngwirth has requested that he be able to use a portion of the \$50,000 that was budgeted for oil to be used on the purchase of a roller. John Langs moved to table the issue because there was no information in the packet. Dave Gray seconded the motion. John commented that this type of request should not come to a meeting without information being in the packet. Mayor Anderson said this is just a discussion item that he wanted to bring to council. Dave Sims asked how much it would cost to asphalt Tamarack Lane. Mike Klaus said he would have to look at the project. He said the asphalt is in pretty good shape that is there and we may possibly overlay it or go only to the curb line. Mike would like to take a closer look before he gives an estimate. Mike told council that there is no vibratory function in our old roller and we cannot get quite 95 percent compaction and that is now required. Mayor Anderson asked if we could rent a roller. Mike said we could but if we had a vibratory roller it would be used for waterline work as well as street work. He would recommend that this purchase be made if possible. The motion passed, all in favor.

Carolyn Testa joined the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Council reviewed the special event permit applications from vendors for the Swish Tournament. They were from the Badger Boosters, Parents for Student's Opportunity, Eagles #3522, and It's Poppin' Kettle Korn. John Langs moved to approve the special event permits for the Swish Tournament and waive the fees. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

The budget workshop was held. John Langs commented on the 2009 capital list and was upset that the swimming pool repairs were not included. Clerk Larson said she thought the repairs were to be done before the end of fiscal year 2008 so they were not on the 2009 capital list. Dave Sims asked that the Mayor direct staff to get firm quotes for the swimming pool repairs. The capital list for 2009 was discussed. Dave Sims suggested having the department heads come before council and speak about the items on the capital list. Dave Sims commented that the fire hall roof needs to be repaired as well as city hall roof and asked that firm quotes be obtained. Dave Sims would like to see various options for the roof repair.

The group discussed swimming pool operation hours and it possibly being open on Sundays. Dave Gray thinks the pool should be open on Sundays. John Langs agreed. Mike Klaus will speak to the head lifeguard about operating the swimming pool on Sundays.

The group reviewed the budget for fiscal year 2009.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

David K. Anderson, Mayor

Attest:

Kris Larson, City Clerk