Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lava Hot Springs, Idaho held Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 5:30 p.m., Lava City Hall, 115 West Elm Street, Lava Hot Springs, Idaho.

Present: Newt Lowe, Councilperson Canda Dimick, City Clerk
Rita Anderson, Councilperson
Cathy Sher, Councilperson
Carl Brown, Councilperson

Guests: Clint Brown, Bannock County Sheriff’s Department

Councilperson Lowe called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes
Council reviewed the minutes of the December 13, 2012 Regular Council meeting.

Councilperson Anderson pointed out a typo on page 2, first paragraph, should say “approach”, not “approaching”.

Councilperson Anderson made a motion to approve the December 13, 2012 minutes with correction noted above. Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

Reviewing of Bills
A) Review and discuss Digline, Inc. bill for additional 2012 tickets.
B) Approve Bills
Councilperson Anderson made a motion to approve the bills. Councilperson Sher seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

Council reviewed and discussed the Digline ticket report. They don’t have any problems with it.

Law Enforcement Monthly Report
Clint Brown came forward, has nothing to report. The City Clerk reported that there will probably be an ordinance amendment passed tonight. She will make sure they get the updated information.

Consider Collin Petrun’s livestock permit for two horses at 200 Bristol Park Lane.
Council discussed the livestock permit application.

Councilperson Brown made a motion to approve the livestock permit for Collin Petrun based on 2 horses, Mark Lowe’s signature and having a fence installed to state standards by the end of June. Councilperson Sher seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

Introduce, waive three separate reading requirements and adopt Ordinance 2013-1 amending the city code prohibiting livestock on public property within Lava city limits except for special events approved by the City Council and requiring consent/permission of seventy five percent of the neighbors or property owners within a three hundred foot radius of the external boundaries of the property on which the livestock are kept, including the external boundaries of any contiguous property under the same ownership, is obtained and written confirmation of that permission is presented to the City Council.

No guests in attendance. Council reviewed and discussed.
Councilperson Anderson made a motion to waive three separate reading requirements. Councilperson Sher seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

Councilperson Brown questioned what the penalty is if a violator does not pay.


Consider South Bannock County Historical Center’s application for 1% funding to implement four cantilevered signs throughout the business district all focused on Lava Hot Springs history.

Council discussed and the Foundation is going to match.

Councilperson Brown made a motion to approve the application. Councilperson Anderson seconded the motion. Councilperson Sher, sustained. All voted aye, unanimous.

Building Permit(s)

A) 135 East Elm Street – Foundation Repair – Kathy Cochran, Owner, Whalan Rife, Contractor
  Councilperson Sher made a motion to approve the application for foundation repair. Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

Sign Permit(s)

A) Hot Springs Hide-Away – JoCarol Losee, Applicant
  Councilperson Anderson made a motion to approve the sign permit. Councilperson Anderson seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

Discuss the Planning & Zoning Commission vacancy and appointment of a new member.

A list of possible nominations was discussed. Councilperson Sher will contact the individuals on the list and report back to Council at the next meeting.

Cat Regulations – Review and consider information gathered from other communities.

Council discussed the cat problem and reviewed regulations from Grace, Idaho. Councilperson Sher also provided more information. No decisions were made.

Meetings/Announcements/Miscellaneous New Business

A) Federal Access to Public Lands Grant Opportunity
  The City Clerk reported that Mayor Burgin is working on the L Mountain and Hederson Canyon. He plans on meeting with Bannock County Development Corp.

B) City Official's Day at the Capitol – January 31, 2013
  Council discussed and nobody is interested in attending.

C) Caribou Soil Conservation District letter of support for the Pebble Creek Irrigators Ditch Pipe Project
  Councilperson Anderson made a motion to send a letter of support for the Pebble Creek Irrigators Ditch Pipe Project. Councilperson Sher seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.
  Councilperson Brown commented on Selenium.
D) Southern Idaho Fire Academy – February 15, 16 & 17, 2013
The City Clerk reported that some of the fire fighters may be attending the academy in February.

E) Analysis of 2012 Personal Property Tax in Idaho
Council discussed the Governor’s intent to eliminate personal property tax.

Councilperson Brown voiced support for keeping the tax.

Councilperson Sher made a motion to write a letter to AIC in support of personal property tax as it currently stands. Councilperson Anderson seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

Councilperson Brown will write the letter.

F) Miscellaneous
The First Territorial Capitol of Idaho Revitalization Project would like each City to donate $50 toward the project. Council discussed and is not interested in donating. They feel that it would be setting a precedent.

Councilperson Sher stated that the Shoban Restaurant will be hosting a centennial dinner on March 4, 2013. Everyone is invited. There are 8 seats to a table at $25 per seat. It will be a very nice event. If anyone is interested in attending, let Councilperson Sher know.

Projects

A) Wastewater Improvement Project
   1) Change Order for Booster Pump Oiler System
      Councilperson Anderson made a motion to approve the change order for the pump oiler.
      Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.
   2) Miscellaneous
      None.

B) Main Street Pedestrian Bridge Project
   1) Forsgren Associates, Inc. Engineering Services Contract
      The City Clerk reported that the City’s attorney suggested changes.

      Councilperson Brown made a motion to accept the contract with the suggested changes.
      Councilperson Lowe seconded the motion. All voted aye, unanimous.

C) East Main Street Public Restroom Remodel Project Update
Councilperson Brown reported that he looked at the blue prints and there is very little room for stalls. He is looking to see if the space is adequate for ADA requirements.

Council would like at least two stalls with a changing area (curtain and a bench). A heating system will be installed in the whole building. A small area needs to be retained for utilities.

Council has no problem with the City being the general contractor.

D) Fish Creek Spring Fence Project Update
The City Clerk reported that Mayor Burgin made contact with Fawn. Fawn is receptive, but wants to know specifications, and is concerned about the area looking like a prison.

E) Waterline Modification Project to Community Building Update
The engineering plans are done and DEQ has approved