

MINUTES - CITY OF ASHTON REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ASHTON CITY HALL
714 MAIN STREET, ASHTON, IDAHO

November 8, 2006 - 7:00 PM

Prayer Offered By: Brett Pincock

PRESENT: Mayor Teddy Stronks, Richard Huntsman, Brett Pincock, Matt Brady, Linda Janssen - excused

ALSO PRESENT: Darby Cikaitoga-City Clerk, Cathy Koon-Fremont County Economic Developer, Johnny Nelson, Luke Floyd – MYAC Representative, Brian Hatton arrived at 7:40 p.m.

Mayor Stronks called meeting to order at 7:00 pm & welcomed everyone

1. PRESENTATIONS, CEREMONIES, APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

Being considered routine by the City Council, these items will be enacted by one motion unless requested by a Councilman or a citizen that one or more items be removed for later discussion.

- A. **Minutes** – Approval of Regular Council Meeting October 11, 2006 & cont. October 17, 2006
- B. **Treasurers Report & Financial Statement**– As Submitted
- C. **Payables** – Bills for Council approval as a result of City expenditures
- D. **Employee Expenses** – As Submitted

Motion by Pincock, seconded Brady to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL: All in favor, Motion carried.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: *(Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes unless repeat testimony is requested by the Mayor/Council.)* Brian Hatton offered services to get new tech up to speed on where the city is at.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A.

5. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

A. Resolution #06-26 – To adopt the Mayor’s Youth Advisory Council (MYAC) – Read by Huntsman

Motion by Brady, seconded Pincock to adopt Resolution #06-26 as presented. Huntsman I, Brady I, Pincock I – motion carried.

6. NEW BUSINESS/PETITIONS:

A. Youth Council Report. Luke Floyd from MYAC, they have had 2 official meetings where their officials elected. Starting to get a base understanding and ideas to start. Jake Amen and Mayor attended last meeting. Suggestions for beautification on west side of Imperial Club, kiosk at RR, these are ideas for short to mid-term range. Long-term goals include improving school and town spirit, litter pickup, drug and alcohol awareness inside school. Meetings are first and third Wednesdays of the month at 3:15 p.m. at the school. Pincock commented that he is impressed with Luke and his presentation. Brady offered assistance as a drug and alcohol counselor.

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- B. **Ms. Stanford's Resignation Letter** – Mayor Stronks read letter that will be effective November 17, 2006.
- C. **Cathy Koon introduction** – Mrs. Koon introduced herself, Economic Development Specialist. From ITD, public Information Specialist. Congratulations to Ashton for Community Review – a lot of info in report. Here for any help needed. Working on new business coming to Ashton – looking for people to fill the jobs. Training with Commerce & Labor. Work on infrastructure & housing. Cities need to be prepared for these jobs coming in. Couple of items to bring up with ITD – sidewalks by high school, need to bug them and write a letter to Tom Cole about commitment, larger speed limit signs on highway, US20 project curb-gutter- delayed due to lack of funding. New program – Safe Routes to School, school sidewalks. Rails to trails approved to finish project. Workshop on November 28th at National Guard in St. Anthony – 6 p.m. Fremont County profile for Economic Development or at Pond's Lodge November 29th.
- D. **Johnny Nelson – Community Center**- moved from I.F. – loves Ashton. Only thing to do is go to bar, need something for people who are recovering to do to stay away from bar. Would like to open the community center one night a week for anyone/everyone to play basketball. Mayor and Council okay with this. Either Tuesday or Friday night – work around youth games at the high school. Johnny will speak to Ross about a night and get with Mayor Stronks.
- E. **Ott's Place Catering Permit – 11/11/06**- Steak Fry for Ridgerunners

Pincock motioned to approve the catering permit as presented, Brady seconded – ROLL CALL Pincock I, Brady I, Huntsman I - motion passed.

- F. **Computer Tech for City Office**- we need one – to come in once a month
- G. **First Aid Kit**- update – Darby asked permission to have Zee Medical maintain first aid kit so that our supplies do not expire again.

7. UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **Police Cell Phone Issue** – get the police new phones / spend the money to cancel their contracts. Also look into getting a backup handheld. Talk to Chief Mattingly about getting a handheld. Cancel police phones with Edge and get on with Verizon. Talk with Fremont County and see what they are doing to make sure Mattingly and Griffel are on the same plan as they are.
- B. **Street Sweeper**- CMAQ grant that Christine applied for. We need to use it or lose it. \$178,000 – can get this for \$162,000. Specks that we need. Letter sent on sweeper recommended for Ashton. Need to get going before the increase happens on the first of the year. Piggyback with ITD- Pincock suggests to proceed and to give the okay to Mayor Stronks to do what needs to be done without anymore council approval needed.

8. STAFF AND COMMITTEE/SPECIAL REPORTS

A.

9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

- A. **Mayor Stronks** – train trip report. Met with Greg Mueller, Vice Chairman of the Grand Luxe Rail. Presented him with a plaque of Centennial train and coin – hung in train. Appreciative of City and acceptance of the train. They will need 15,000 gallons of water with every stop. Work with Fire Dept. to see if they are willing to take this responsibility of filling up the train – Brady says there are only 3 tankers that are about 4500 gallons each. Need to try to get it out of a hydrant first and foremost. Will also need laundry services – may need groceries and flowers. Will meet with the City soon.

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B. **Brady spoke with Brad Dexter** – will get a contact name and number for street lights.

Brady motioned to move into executive session, Pincock seconded.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION (*I.C. 67-2345 Certain City-related matters may need to be discussed confidentially as a matter of law (Acquisition of real property, personnel matters, attorney-client communications) subject to applicable legal requirements, the Council may enter executive session by roll call vote to discuss such matters*)

11. ADJOURNMENT –

Motion to adjourn by Pincock, seconded Brady at 8:35 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darby Cikaitoga, City Clerk.

Attest:

Darby Cikaitoga
City Clerk

Theo R. Stronks
Mayor