

STATE OF IDAHO)
COUNTY OF BONNER)
CITY OF PRIEST RIVER)

MINUTES OF THE PRIEST RIVER CITY COUNCIL – 04/17/23

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING – Mayor Connolly called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 5:30 pm on Monday, April 17, 2023, at the Priest River City Hall Council Chambers, 552 High Street, Priest River, Idaho.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Council Member Turner, Council Member Yount, and Council Member Mullaley. Absent: Council Member Wagner.

Staff Present: Mayor Connolly, City Clerk/Treasurer Thomas, City Attorney Elsaesser, Police Chief McLain, Public Works Supervisor Coleman, Planning & Zoning Administrator Quayle, and Building & Zoning Assistant Ayers.

3. PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUATION FROM MARCH 27, 2023

TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING AND ZONING APPLICATION:

A. CANDACE STEPHENS-STUART HAS APPLIED TO SUBDIVIDE THE 3.05-ACRE LOT 2 OF BRENNAN’S RUN INTO SIX (6) SINGLE FAMILY LOTS AND ONE (1) COMMON AREA.

THE PROPERTY IS GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN EASTSIDE ROAD AND THE PRIEST RIVER WITH RIVER’S END DRIVE DIVIDING THE PROPERTY.

Mayor Connolly opened the public hearing at 5:31 pm. Planning and Zoning Administrator Quayle explained the reason for the public hearing continuation and presented the amended proposed conditions to the Mayor and City Council. Lengthy discussion ensued.

Questions from the Council:

Mayor Connolly asked for clarification regarding proposed condition #19 and the common area maintenance.

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to reopen public testimony regarding any new information presented and discussed. **Council Member Turner** seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

Testimony from the Applicant:

Toby McLaughlin, representative for the applicant, gave an update on the applicant’s discussions and compliance with the EPA, the proposed looping of the water main

line, the proposed fencing, the proposed fire hydrant requirements, and the suggestion to move the common area to the center of the property. Discussion ensued.

Testimony from Those Supporting:

None

Testimony from Those Uncommitted:

None

Testimony from Those Opposing:

Tammy Daley, 146 Rivers End Drive, voiced her concerns with the proposed common area being delineated from her neighboring property.

Susan Bashor, 40 Rivers End Drive, voiced her concerns regarding the lack of proposed street improvements to Rivers End Drive.

Written Testimony:

None

Rebuttal from the Applicant:

Toby McLaughlin, representative for the applicant, explained that they felt requiring the applicant to improve the entirety of Rivers End Drive wouldn't be financially reasonable. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Connolly closed public testimony at 6:14 pm. Discussion and deliberation ensued among the Mayor and Council.

Council Member Turner made a motion that the application and submittals, evidence contained in the file, public hearing testimony, and the Planning and Zoning Report be adopted as presented and discussed as the findings of fact and conclusions. Council Member Yount seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously by the following vote: AYES: Council Member Turner, Council Member Yount, and Council Member Mullaley. NAYS: None. ABSTAINERS: None. ABSENT: Council Member Wagner.

Council Member Turner made a motion based on the City's Comprehensive Plan, Ordinances, and the adopted findings of fact and conclusions, that Treasure Island's subdivision application be approved subject to the conditions as discussed and as listed in the Planning & Zoning Report. Action to obtain the permit is to complete the conditions as approved. This action does not result in the taking of private property. Council Member Yount seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously by the following vote: AYES: Council Member Turner, Council Member Yount, and Council Member Mullaley. NAYS: None. ABSTAINERS: None. ABSENT: Council Member Wagner.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. PREVIOUS MINUTES – CC 04/05/23

B. PAYABLES

C. MONTHLY RESERVE TRANSFER – MARCH 2023

D. TREASURER’S MONTHLY REPORT – MARCH 2023

E. RESOLUTION 23-007 – SOMMER – ELECTRICAL EASEMENT AT WATER RESERVOIR SITE

F. RESOLUTION 23-008 – POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL UPDATE – DOG LICENSING

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Yount seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/APPOINTMENTS

A. APPOINTMENT OF PARKS AND TREE COMMISSION MEMBER – CANDY TURNER

This item was tabled due to the absence of Council Member Wagner and the abstaining of Council Member Turner.

6. UPDATES

A. PARKS AND TREE COMMISSION

None

B. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Police Chief McLain gave an update on Law Enforcement.

C. PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Supervisor Coleman gave an update on Public Works.

D. PROJECT UPDATES

1. WELCH COMER – PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

Welch Comer provided a written project status update. Discussion ensued.

E. BUILDING & ZONING

Planning & Zoning Administrator Quayle gave an update on Building & Zoning.

F. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

None

7. BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCE 628 – PCFC PROPERTY – FORMER LANDFILL SITE – ANNEXATION AND REZONE

Planning & Zoning Administrator Quayle presented Ordinance 628. Discussion ensued.

Council Member Turner made a motion to adopt Ordinance 628 under suspension of the rules. Council Member Yount seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously by the following vote: **AYES:** Council Member Turner, Council Member Yount, and Council Member Mullaley. **NAYS:** None. **ABSTAINERS:** None. **ABSENT:** Council Member Wagner.

B. CONTROL #2023-03-02 – STIFEL – REQUEST FOR BASKETBALL COURT IMPROVEMENTS

Discussion ensued regarding the updates that are planned and in progress, and the possibility of adding lighting to the courts. A quote to add lighting from Avista was received and discussed. Mayor Connolly will investigate the possibility of adding a timer to Avista's pole to regulate the hours to match the City's curfew.

C. CONTROL #2023-03-03 – KNIGHT – REQUEST FOR FLASHING STOP SIGNS AT EAST LINCOLN AVENUE AND SIXTH STREET

A quote from Trafficalm for two flashing stop sign rings was obtained, which came to \$3,248.00 for both. Discussion ensued.

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to approve the purchase of two flashing stop sign rings from Trafficalm, not to exceed \$3,248.00. Council Member Turner seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Council Member Yount, and Council Member Mullaley. NAYS: Council Member Turner. ABSTAINERS: None. ABSENT: Council Member Wagner.

D. USDA-RD GRANT PAY REQUEST #12 – WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Discussion ensued.

Council Member Turner made a motion to approve draw #12 from the USDA-RD grant for payment of Welch Comer Invoice #14778250-028 in the amount of \$160.00. Council Member Mullaley seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

E. USDA-RD GRANT PAY REQUEST #24 – WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – PHASE II

Discussion ensued.

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to approve draw #24 from the USDA-RD grant for payment of Welch Comer Invoice #14778270-004 in the amount of \$190.00. Council Member Yount seconded the motion. After discussion and consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

F. RESOLUTION 23-009 – STATE INVESTMENT POOL TRANSFER OF FUNDS INTO THE GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT

Discussion ensued.

Council Member Turner made a motion to approve Resolution 23-009. Council Member Yount seconded the motion. After discussion and consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

A. Josh Ludikhuize, MiFiber, gave an update on the fiber installation project in Priest River.

ADJOURN:

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to adjourn at 6:59 pm. Council Member Yount seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes of 04/17/23: _____

Second: _____

SIGNED:

Jeff Connolly
Mayor

ATTEST:

Laurel Thomas, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer