

February 1, 2021

Gooding City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gooding, Idaho was called to order at 7:00 pm in the Gooding Municipal Building, 308 5th Ave West, Gooding, Idaho on February 1, 2021. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Pierce.

Roll Call

Present were Mayor Brekke, Councilpersons Arkoosh, Cram, Pierce and Shepherd.

Visitors

Present were Gary Sackman, Heather Hansen, Cindy Bigler, Susan Bolton and Kim Perkins.

Consent Calendar

(Consent Calendar contains items which require formal Council action, but which are typically routine or not of great controversy. Council members can approve the items listed on the consent calendar as one item or, if finding a correction needs to be made, can pull that item for discussion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council Member or a member of the audience requests removal of the items from the Consent Calendar.)

Mayor Brekke asked, "Consent Calendar Items numbered are before you, are there any items to be removed?" There being no objection, Councilman Cram moved to approve the Consent Calendar.

1. January 19, 2021 Meeting Minutes
2. Accounts Payable in the amount of \$493,383.54
3. January Payroll in the amount of \$133,343.51
4. January Building Permits

No.	Date	Name	House	Street	Use	Value	Fee
01-21	1/7/21	Natalia Lopez	846	Wyoming	Fence	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 30.00
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Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Visitors Business

Susan Bolton – Urban Renewal Agency; URA Update: Susan Bolton stated she was unable to attend the meeting when Joe Herring from Region IV Development spoke to the City Council regarding the proposed URA area. It was her understanding that the Council was not in favor of the proposal. Councilwoman Shepherd stated that Attorney Hobdey would like one legal description for the area rather than individual legal descriptions for each property. Susan stated that will be something URA will do but before hiring a surveyor she would like the Councils approval to move forward. Susan did state there is a member in the area that is opposed to the idea thinking that she will be taxed out of her building. Susan stated the URA will have public hearings to hear comments from citizens. The Mayor asked this item be added to the next agenda.

Public Input

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None.

Unfinished Business

Trailer Coach Parking Ordinance: The Council reviewed the draft of the Trailer Coach Parking Ordinance by Chief Fisher. Chief Fisher will make some corrections and present the final draft at the next meeting.

Library District Agreement: Library Director Cindy Bigler stated the Library Attorney has reviewed the proposed lease. Following their Attorney's advice they ask that the City reconsider the sixty day notice for termination. Moving a Library is a major undertaking and requires several months to organize and facilitate. Cindy requested the lease agreement be changed to say "at least two years prior". The Council agreed that a two year notice would be sufficient. Changes will be made and presented to the Library Board and City Council for approval.

Retainer Schedule from Brown Law, James Law and Peter Hatch: The Mayor will contact the attorneys and schedule a day for them to come in and meet the City Council.

Shipping Containers, Railroad Boxcars or Other Containers Used for Storage in City Limits: Tabled at this time.

New Business

Region IV Broadband Assessment: PWD Larry Bybee stated Eminent Technical Solutions along with Georgia Dimick, Region IV Development, came to City Hall today regarding offering services through Region IV Development for broadband services. PWD Bybee suggested they meet with the Mayor.

T-O Engineers Invoice #13721 for Airport Master Plan: Councilman Pierce made a motion to approve T-O Engineers Invoice #13721 in the amount of \$9,207.50. Motion seconded by Councilman Cram. Motion carried.

T-O Engineers Request for Reimbursement #2 for Design & Inspection Fees for Project 3-16-0014-015-2020: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve T-O Engineers Request for Reimbursement #2 for Design & Inspection fees for the Runway Extension Project in the amount of \$9,020.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried.

Keller Associates Invoice #12 for Transportation Plan: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve Keller Associates Invoice #12 in the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Cram. Motion carried.

Department Reports

City Council: Nothing.

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Police Chief Dave Fisher: Chief Fisher requested an executive session.

Public Works Director Larry Bybee: PWD Bybee asked the Council if the City should prohibit all material other than limbs, leaves and grass from the tree and brush yard. By doing so would extend the lifespan of the grinder and reduce staff time at City Hall for handling fees for those materials. It would also reduce the volume of grindings the City needs to remove. All materials not allowed would be diverted to the Wendell Transfer Station which is funded by Gooding County. The Council was very supportive of the idea and agreed by only allowing yard waste at the tree and brush yard. PWD Bybee stated a notice will be put in the newsletter. He stated he has created a sign for cardboard recycling. The City has received a grant to replace street signs and posts. There has been an issue with the sewer line by the swimming pool. A camera was sent down the line and it will need to be replaced.

Attorney Craig Hobdey: Not present.

City Clerk Hollye Lierman: Nothing.

Executive Session: Councilman Arkoosh moved to adjourn into executive session in accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 Section (b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student at 7:48 pm. Motion seconded by Councilman Cram. Upon roll call, Councilpersons Arkoosh, Cram, Pierce and Shepherd voted aye. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened at 8:01 p.m.

There being no further business Councilman Cram made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

Hollye Lierman – City Clerk

Jeff Brekke - Mayor