

City of Rigby
Council Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2021

The mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm Thursday, July 22, 2021. The pledge of allegiance was given by Roarke Burke and the prayer given Doug Burke.

The Mayor asked the clerk to call the roll:

Councilman D Burke	Present
Councilwoman King	Present
Councilman Datwyler	Present
Councilman R. Burke	Present
Councilwoman Weight	Present
Councilwoman Harrison	Arrived 7:15

Also present: Chief Tower, attorney Dunn, Mitch Bradley

Public Comment:

- Amy Johnson: Concerned with trash from the construction sites being blown around the streets and not being contained. Pioneer Park – overgrown with weeds and thistles, mud around merry-go-round. Suggested installing a walking path around the top lined with trees.
- Richard King: Supports the police dept. in their efforts for pay increases. Concerned about the inappropriate comment made by a city official against the council member which has caused issues in their marriage and the council has not reprimanded or taken other actions for his comment due to the position he holds in the city.

Public Hearing – Amended Plat – Rigby Town Square:

The mayor opened the meeting for public comment. No one signed in and no one in attendance requested to speak on the amendment.

Kevin Thompson came forward and reviewed the amended plat that was submitted to the planning/zoning which they recommended to approve. The amended plat needs alterations due to the new car wash being built which needs additional land and the dental office desire to have more land for a future parking lot. The amendment eliminates one lot which will be divided between the two parties of interest.

Councilwoman King moved to approve the amended plat seconded by Councilwoman Weight.

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Councilwoman Harrison	Yes

Economic Development Update:

Brent Tolman, economic director for the city came forward to update the council on projects he's working on. He's developing a web page for the urban renewal agency. One of the items that will be on the web page is the campaign "Why Rigby?" He will be mailing a questionnaire to the council for their thoughts and comments on why a business should locate in Rigby. He mentioned two businesses that made inquiries but due to limited acreage available their looking elsewhere.

Expanding Eligibility Area of Urban Renewal:

The URA is looking a including the ground north of Hwy 48 opposite the high school as part of its area and declaring it as a deteriorated area. A portion of the ground will be excluded. The ground is being farmed however the owners have consented to being included in the impact zone.

Councilwoman King moved to approve resolution 205-2021 which authorizes the URA to begin preparation of a plan subject to conditions including a revenue allocation. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Harrison.

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Grove Development:

Mitch Bradley came forward with a number of issues that have arisen on the Grove Development. The two that he needed guidance from was the bridge and the upsizing of the water line. The site plan indicates that if and when the land to the south of the Grove is developed there will be a need for a bridge connecting the two developments together with a common road. Mr. Bradley suggested the Grove Development pay for one-half of the cost of the bridge and the city the other half. If and when the land to the south is developed the developer of that ground will reimburse the city for its share of the bridge. As for the timing of when the bridge will be built, when the Grove is at that point in development bids will be obtained and construction will commence.

Regarding the water line: Mitch will obtain pricing for a 10 inch and 12 inch line and the cost difference from the 8 inch will be covered under a come late agreement as has been done on the Hailey Cr. project and the church on 4000 East.

The other items on the check list can be addressed without any clarification from the council.

Swearing in Library Board Member:

Councilman Datwyler asked if the swearing in of the new library board member could be moved on the agenda so as not to have the member wait. The council gave its consent and the mayor swore in Heidi Webster as a member of the library board.

WWTP Analysis:

From the work meeting held Tuesday, July 20, 2021 no further action was needed at this time as the council discussed the peer review report. Councilman D Burke felt the city should explore using air injection versus the propeller driven agitators.

Treasurer’s Report:

The clerk reviewed the excel spreadsheet recapping actual revenues/expenditures with budgeted revenues/expenditures. Revenues for most of the funds were exceeding budget and expenditures were under budget for most of the funds. He reviewed the journal entries which included accrual of interest and the recording of the internal service funds.

Other Council Business:

- Employee of the Year: The mayor thanked Councilman D Burke for representing and presents the employee of the year award to Mitch Bradley at the Chamber of Commerce Dinner.
- The annual summer employee picnic was decided to be held Wed. Sept 8, 2021 at 6:00pm in the south park.
- Noise Ordinance: Councilwoman King handed out a suggested noise ordinance that will restrict the times when construction in residential zones can begin. The city has had numerous complaints from citizens concerning the starting of construction in and around their homes.

Approval of Minutes:

Councilwoman Harrison moved to approve the minutes of July 1, 2021 seconded by Councilwoman King.

The mayor called for a voice poll: All in favor none opposed with Councilmember R Burke and N Weight abstaining.

Sam Angell, Attorney for ICRMP enters meeting: 8:00pm

Review and Approval of Bills:

Councilwoman Weight moved to approve the bills seconded by Councilman Datwyler.

The Mayor asked the clerk to poll the council:

Councilman D Burke	Yes
Councilwoman King	Yes
Councilman Datwyler	Yes
Councilman R. Burke	Yes
Councilwoman Weight	Yes
Councilwoman Harrison	Yes

Executive Session:

Councilwoman Harrison moved for the council to enter into executive session per Idaho Code: 74-206.1(f) - To communicate with legal counsel to discuss legal ramifications and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. Motion seconded by Councilman D Burke.

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Councilwoman Harrison	Yes

Council enters Executive Session: 8:13PM

Council exits Executive Session: 9:45PM

The mayor asked if there was any comment. Hearing none....

Adjournment:

Councilwoman Harrison moved to adjourn seconded by Councilwoman Weight.

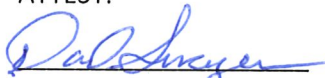
The mayor called for a voice poll: All in favor none opposed.

Meeting adjourn: 9:45PM

CITY OF RIGBY


Jason Richardson, Mayor

ATTEST:


David Swager, Clerk