City of Tetonia Tetonia City Council Regular Meeting @ 7PM 04/09/2024, Meeting Minutes

## **OPEN MEETING**

- Call to order by Mayor Schindler at 7:00 PM
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Brent Schindler.

Roll Call by City Clerk. In attendance is: Aaron Hansen, Blaine Ball, Cody Green, and Brent Schindler. Ryan Bonilla is absent.

Also in attendance is City attorney Bart Birch and Public Works Director Clint Moulton.

Public in attendance: Amy Manning (by phone), Nathan Marvilla from Jensen Poulson and Company PLLC, Jason Nelson and McKay Porter from Silverstar, Ashley Koehler (by phone), Carol and Tim Sorensen, Laura, Schorzman, Jana Vosika, Tammy Walters and Kathy Kula.

## Public Comment, limited to 3 minutes per person

No public present asked to comment at this time.

#### PUBLIC HEARING: None

## Action Items:

## **Rick Miller, Salary Survey Review- Action**

Rick Miller asked to be moved to the May agenda pending census information in regards to the salary survey. No action taken at this time.

#### Audit Presentation-Action

Nathan Marvilla from Jensen Poulsen and Company PLLC, presented on the fiscal year 2023 annual audit findings. He began with stating that each year he has seen an improvement within the Clerk's work. He reviewed fund balances and cash flows and compared them to last year's numbers.

Nathan also presented the audit contract for next year FY2024 audit. Hansen moves to accept the audit as presented, Green seconds. Motion passed. Ball moves to accept the Audit contract for next year, Green seconds. Motion passed.

#### Approval of Resolution 2024-01, Tetonia Rodeo Grounds Advisory Committee- Action

Resolution was reviewed and discussed.

Hansen moves to approve the Rodeo Ground Advisory Committee in Resolution 2024-01 as presented, which included Blaine Ball as Council representative on said committee, Green seconds. Motion approved.

# Approve Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Calendar- Action

Review was made of the upcoming budget calendar for Fiscal Year 2025. Green moves to approve the budget calendar for FY25 as presented. Hansen seconds. Motion passed.

#### Military Caregivers, Hidden Hero's Proclamation- Action

Daughter of the American Revolution and Military Caregivers Hidden Hero's representatives presented to the Council and explained about their program and how the group was founded and how the Hidden Hero's came to be. Their organizations goal is to help identify all the available resources that could help these hidden heroes as well as bring public awareness surrounding the military caregivers.



Mayor Schindler read the proposed proclamation and commented on his respect towards this effort.

Hansen moves to approve the proclamation as presented. Ball seconds. Motion approved.

### Sewer Line Cleaning/ Camera Quotes- Action

Three quotes were received for sewer line cleaning and camera work. 3H construction, Badger Infrastructure Solutions and Integrity Inspection Solutions, Inc. 3H Construction brought in the lowest bid for the proposed work. Green moves to accept the bid from 3H construction for this FY24 expense, Ball seconds. Motion approved. The FY 2024 budget will then be amended this fall.

### Planning and Zoning Appointment-

Hansen moves to approve the Mayor's appointment of Tetonia business owner, Nancy Klingler, to the Planning and Zoning commission. Green seconds. Motion approved.

#### **Tetonia Library MOU- Action**

Ball moves to approve the presented Valley of the Tetons Library and City of Tetonia MOU (memorandum of understanding) with some minor clarifying edits, Hansen seconds. Motion passed.

The City discussed options of providing trenching labor to install an in ground internet line in the future building use. Internet discussion will be revisited at a later time if needed.

#### **Consent Agenda-Action**

• March 2024 Claims-

Ball moves to approve the March claims as presented with the addition of an additional Sunrise Engineering invoice. Hansen seconds. Motion passed.

- <u>March 2024 Minutes-</u> Green moves to approve the March minutes with clerical edits. Ball seconds. Motion passed.
- <u>Past Due Accounts-</u>
  Past due accounts were discussed. No motion needed.

#### **Staff Report Review**

Verbal reports given by Clerk and Public Works.

# Enforcements/ Compliance Updates- Action

A resident stopped in to comment about the youth dirt bike riders that spend a lot of time on City roads and are not always respectful of noise and people's homes. He also commented about his gravel road having some settling which was causing large puddles.

# **Discussion:**

# III-A Annual Report Review, III-A Staff

Amy Manning, III-A representative, joined via zoom and walked the Council through some of the annual percentages, staff costs, benefit lines, finance breakdowns and other trends within the III-A insurance group. Amy also reviewed telehealth numbers as well as other benefits that are currently offered as well as benefits that they are looking at expanding or adding. She recommended budgeting a 10% rate increase every year just in case it's needed. Tetonia Staff has been very happy with the service of III-A for our health, vision and dental benefits.

#### Area of Impact Discussion and Updates

Mayor Schindler reviewed some of the newly passed legislation that says AOI's (area of impact) can be up to 2 miles around City boundaries. Discussion was made of some other details that need to be included into the draft Tetonia Area of Impact plan. Ashley will continue to update the AOI plan and will be added to the May agenda as well for more review. A joint work session will be held with the Teton County Commissioners

#### **Silverstar E-ACAM Broadband Presentation**

Jason Nelson announced a federal grant that Silverstar was awarded to go towards Fiber E-ACAM infrastructure within Teton Valley. He stated that starting this year, 2024, and over the next 5 years, they will be investing millions of dollars into Teton Valley for internet services. He stated that Silverstar's goal is to provide the services with minimal impacts during construction and he continued to introduce his project manager, McKay Porter.

Mayor Schindler asked about the depth of which Fiber needs to be buried. Jason explained that Teton County has an especially deep dig depth.

Councilor Ball commented on his understanding of why the dig depth had been set to 48 inches to make sure the depth gets to at least 36 inches, and that in the past, projects have not made it to that depth. Jason continued to explain that if contractors don't abide by the entity restrictions they will be removed from the Silverstar employment; no questions asked.

Jason stressed that the reliability of Fiber for being much better than copper. They are still working through the fine print of fees and other details. When asked if the other Teton Valley entities had proposed any franchise fees, he warned that "Franchise fees were very complicated and he would warn Tetonia to do our homework before asking for them."

Jason mentioned that he wanted this project to be a partnership with Tetonia, he also thought the City of Tetonia should be on the project list for the fall of 2024. He mentioned that as they are digging, they are happy to share the information that they find regarding depths of water and sewer lines. When the project gets closer, they will update the City every week or every two weeks.

Moving forward, Silverstar is asking for Tetonia City support in this project. They are asking for a variance of dig depths to save money on having to bring in bigger equipment that can reach the required depths. They will then put the saved money back into the overall project.

No council decisions were made at this time.

#### Mayor Updates

- A game night is being held in Tetonia sponsored by Adrianna Green for her Capstone project.
- Tetonia is getting a lot of youth volunteers which is very helpful.
- Monument updates- Ron Berry and the Mayor are mapping out options for keeping the monument while cleaning it up.
- Food for Good is going well, CRC is continuing to provide great produce to distribute.

#### **Event Updates**

Easter Event was a success with a great public turnout. The City was able to break even with expenses and revenues for this event.

#### **Tetonia Wish List Discussion**

A working document for a grant wish list has been created.

#### Executive session per IC74-206 to discuss personnel- Action

Hansen moves to go into exec session per IC74-204 to discuss personnel, Green seconds. Motion passed. Per roll call vote: Ball-yes, Hansen-yes, Green-yes, Executive session starts at 9:56 PM.

Executive session ends at 10:15PM.

# Adjourn Meeting-

Green moves to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 pm. Ball seconds. Meeting adjourned.

Brent Schindler / Mayor

Date

Jacquelyn M Beard / Clerk

Date