



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: Cody Green, Ryan Bonilla, Aaron Hansen, Blaine Ball and Brent Schindler.

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

Public in attendance: Edward Meyer, Edmundo Palacios, Rick Miller.

Public Comment, limited to 3 minutes per person

Mayor Schindler opened up for public comments. No public present asked to comment.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

Action Items

USDA, Rick Miller, Tetonia Wage Study- Action

Rick Miller introduced himself and his company of ULTURA. They are a private, nonprofit company who specialize in economic development. They help municipalities apply for various federal and state funding.

Rick spoke about some possible park grant funding for upgraded bathroom facilities. He gave examples of other local cities who have used the possible grants.

He spoke of having a salary survey done within the City to show the income average within the City. If the City is below a certain salary then Tetonia could be eligible for more funding. 51% or more of the City would need to be surveyed. He suggested volunteers, to hire college kids or to have the city council themselves collect results. After the survey is done, it is good for 5 years.

Mayor Schindler suggested starting the survey in the spring. Tetonia will invite Rick Miller back again in March of 2024 and we will start the process. Estimated cost to hire surveyors would average 3K-5K.

Hansen moves to approve a salary survey to begin in March. Ball seconds. Motion approved.

Authorizing Resolution 2023-01, DEQ Water Study Grant –Action

Mayor Schindler reviewed Resolution 2023-01 and explained the reason behind it. This resolution would allow Mayor Schindler to sign the needed documents that refer to Tetonia's DEQ grant that will be submitted by Forsgrens. Bonilla moves to accept Resolution 2023-01 with an edit to correct the date to the 10th. Green seconds. Motion passed.

Fullmer Sewer/Hay contract renewal- Action

The 5 year Land App/ Sewer Lagoon contract held with Fullmer Ranch is up for renewal.

At the suggestion of City attorney and back up operator Jared Gunderson, discussion of contract terms being made to annual and not 5 years were made as well as adding language to address the DEQ reporting requirements. Other discussion was made around defining how much liability insurance should be required. Mayor Schindler asked the City attorney to provide a generic Ag contract for review and edit for next month.

Mayor suggested to extend lease for 1 month until Fullmer's could be present at a meeting.

Hansen moves to extend the land app/sewer lease for 60 days to provide time to further review contract, Ball seconds. Motion passed.

Consent Agenda-Action

- September 2023 Claims-
Hansen moves to approve September claims as presented. Bonilla seconds. Motion passed.
- September 2023 Minutes-
Green moves to approve the September minutes with clerical edits. Hansen seconds.
- Past Due Accounts-
Past due accounts were discussed. No motion needed.

Staff Report Review- Verbal reports given by Clerk and PW.

Enforcements/ Compliance Updates- Action

Discussion was made of a resident's corner lot fence that is out of compliance.

Verbal complaints have been made about the structural integrity of the fence as well as the fact that it impairs the corner road visibility. A letter was sent to the property owner.

Alleyways were discussed due to complaints that have been made by residents. Safety concerns were made. A personal visit will be made.

Discussion-

Crown Castle contract updates- The current lease was sent by Crown Castle and will be reviewed by the City attorney.

Mayor Updates-

- Walking Challenge Updates, Mayor has walked 120K steps so far. 3 City mayors are walking together later this week.
- Jacque and I are finishing Blue Cross classes for \$20,000 to spend on community health.
- Food for Good program has had a setback and will no longer be held in Tetonia. All the food will now be sent to the food pantry and pickups will all be held in Driggs.
- Senior project updates were made around Tetonia.

Adjourn Meeting-

Ball moves to adjourn, Green seconds. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM

Brent Schindler / Mayor

Date

Jacquelyn M Beard / Clerk

Date