

City of Spirit Lake  
Regular Council Meeting  
City Hall  
6042 Maine St.  
Spirit Lake, Idaho 83869  
November 13, 2018  
6:30 PM

Mayor Eastman called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Roll call was taken with Councilors Gary Ventress, Angel Vanderwilt, and Joy Porter present. Roll call was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Eastman bypassed accounts payable as Councilor Porter stated that they “didn’t have a chance to read them” and said that she could “go for a special meeting on Monday” November 19, 2018. At which point Mayor Eastman said that there would be a special meeting on Monday and bypassed the financial report as well.

Mayor Eastman appointed Becki Gaddum to the vacant council seat. City Clerk Michelle Wharton swore Becki Gaddum in.

Mayor Eastman requested that the Council give her permission to sign the contract between James A. Sewell Engineering for Well No. 5. Councilor Porter asked if there was a copy of the contract to which the Mayor said no, the only copy was the original that was provided to the City. This contract was requested by Nancy Mabile, from PAC as we needed to show that Sewell Engineering is our engineering firm; Councilor Porter motioned to approve. Councilor Ventress seconded, followed by a roll call vote with Councilors Ventress, Vanderwilt, Porter and Gaddum all voting aye, motion approved.

SLPD requested at the October 9<sup>th</sup> council meeting that the City donate \$500.00 to their Holidays & Hereos as they have done in the past. Councilor Ventress motioned to approve. Councilor Gaddum seconded followed by a roll call vote with Councilors Ventress, Vanderwilt, Porter and Gaddum all voting aye, motion approved.

Lakes Highway has donated a surplus vehicle was to the City. The only thing that the City needs to do is for the council to approve the vehicle and a public hearing to take place. The public hearing will take place on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Councilor Porter motioned to approve the date for the public hearing and was seconded by Councilor Ventress, followed by a vote of all aye.

Mayor Eastman discussed the mailbox issue in the Osseward addition of Spirit Lake; which is currently a big issue for the city. Collette (Postmaster for Spirit Lake) stated that USPS in Seattle directs where the carriers can deliver the mail. Postmaster stated that Seattle will only deliver to banks of boxes instead of individual mail boxes and a bank of boxes costs \$1,600. Per the

Postmaster during the construction of the Osseward addition, she requested that each developer/builder put in a bank of boxes but none did. The Mayor would like to see that any future developer/builder be required to put in a bank of boxes so that there aren't any tort claims because of the snow plows damaging individual mailboxes. Councilor Ventress stated that the bank boxes are safer and would need at least two places for the boxes to be installed. The Council members agreed that something needs to be done.

Update to Ordinance 576, Moratorium Update: Per Mayor Eastman, the moratorium is still in place and will be in place until at least the end of July. DEQ has given the City partial approval. Sewell Engineering and DEQ are working on some items to work out and will give us final approval. It looks like we will be going to bid soon, as soon as all the documentation is in place, however this is November. We will not be able to do a whole lot this year, so probably next spring it will go full bore, and will be done by July/August somewhere about there.

Carol Ferguson, spoke about the Christmas Parade for Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00, it will take the same route as last year. They will line up on Washington, go down to 4<sup>th</sup>, for a block, it is a short parade and it will run twice. Commissioner Porter asked if the parade would go onto Maine St, and it was confirmed that it would; Fourth St, Maine to Third. Councilor Ventress motioned that it be approved, second by Councilor Vanderwilt followed by a roll call vote -of all aye.

Laura Zimmerman, followed with her report for Park and Rec.; basketball for grades 2-4 boys and girls is super fun and if you don't have anything to do on a Saturday morning, it is really fun and free. Laura is trying to work with the high school on kindergarten first grade basketball. If this takes off, she will let everyone know. She also would like to do an introduction to sports for little kids with mini sports equipment which is difficult to find and expensive. She asked if anyone in the community has any equipment or knows of anyone she would gladly take donations. Dance class has been really fun. The children are happy and improving. Laura is looking forward to their performance. Winter Fest letters are ready to go out to businesses for donations. Laura did a raffle ticket draw last year which was a success. Councilor Porter asked if a date had been set and it has however Laura did not recall what it was. Councilor Vanderwilt stated that the date was January 19. Councilor Porter stated that if Laura needed a ticket seller, she was available.

The Police report was given by Chief Sanchez. Chief Sanchez thanked the council for the donation to Holidays and Heroes'. The installation for the awning will take place in December and the front door will be replaced as well, which will make the door ADA compliant. The radon system was installed and is now in place. On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the PD and the junior high school staff did Active Shooter training and per Chief Sanchez the training went really well. They are also working with the library and will be doing the same thing there in order to make it a safer work place. There was some unforeseen vehicle expense in the month of October and several body cameras that became inoperable. The company that the PD used for the body cameras told the PD that the equipment is now obsolete. They are doing some trail endeavors with other companies for replacements. Two rifles, patrol rifles were purchased for vehicles at cost. An officer resigned in October and Officer Gift was hired. Officer Gift was a reserve and is a

fantastic officer. He will be in training starting the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month. Some officers are participating in “No Shave November” and the money that gets donated will be given to a foundation for Cancer patients. Chief Sanchez participated in the junior high “Coffee Clutch” which is like a community meeting. This “q and a” meeting will take place quarterly. Per Chief, it was good to answer questions that the community had. Most of the questions that were asked of the PD were about the active shooter training at the junior high. Chief Sanchez then went on to report statics for the SLPD so that the public is aware.

No questions from Council about Public Works.

Mayor Eastman adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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Renee Eastman, Mayor

Attest:

Mayra Zentner, Deputy City Clerk