

City of Newdale

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August 6, 2020
8:00 p.m.

City Council Meeting

Present: Dal Schwendiman, Joseph Powell, Chad Stevens, Raymonda Furness, Kevin Torgrimson, Susan Lott, Dick Dyer, Kylie Anderson

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated, and a prayer given by Kevin Torgrimson.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021.

Joe Powell made a motion to accept the minutes for June 4, and July 2, 2020. Raymonda Furness seconded. All voted affirmative.

Raymonda Furness made a motion to pay the bills submitted for the month of August 2020, Kevin Torgrimson seconded, all voted affirmative.

There were proposals brought in for Engineering services for the Park Improvement Project from The Dyer Group, Keller Associates and Forsgren Assoc. Mr. Dyer representing The Dyer Group and Kylie Anderson representing Forsgren Associates. Kevin Torgrimson spoke about awarding the engineering contract to The Dyer Group. Raymonda will abstain from voting in that her nephew, Kevin Harris, works for Forsgren Assoc. After discussion, Kevin made a motion to choose Forsgren Assoc as the engineer on the Park Improvement Project, Joe Powell seconded. Kevin Torgrimson, Chad Stevens and Joe Powell voted affirmative. Motion passes.

John Briggs brought up a problem that arose with Brad Hirschi while he was fixing an emergency water line break on the city line on main street. A resident was unhappy with the situation concerning the grass area where the line was fixed. The question arose if the Council was unhappy with Mr. Hirschi's performance. He has been extremely helpful to come as needed and careful to make sure our roads are repaired properly. We will get a gift card for him to help smooth things over.

Joe Powell gave the Fremont County Sheriff report. There was a fire at the spillway of the Teton Dam site, an accident at the Teton Dam, 4 VIN inspections, an animal bite, an ambulance call, and a vehicle burglary.

Mr. Dyer spoke about making some utility crossings of Highway 33 when they are repairing the road. He gave the Council some cost estimates. They are scheduled to begin the project next summer. There was some discussion about turn lanes.

Mr. Dyer will be the operator on call the weekend of August 15th while John Briggs is away.

Raymonda Furness gave a report on the Park Schedule and voiced a concern that the bathrooms are getting unlocked.

Kevin Torgrimson spoke about problem dogs in town and about Shirlene Schwendiman getting bitten.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing on the budget at 9:50 pm.

Chad Stevens made a motion to suspend the rules and allow for only one reading of Ordinance B-2021 in its entirety and two times by title only. Joe Powell seconded. All voted affirmative.

Mayor Schwendiman read Ordinance B-2021 one time in its entirety and two times by title only. Raymonda Furness made a motion to pass Ordinance B-2021, Kevin Torgrimson seconded. Roll call vote: Kevin Torgrimson – YES, Chad Stevens – YES, Raymonda Furness – YES, Joe Powell – YES. Motion passes under suspension of rules. Ordinance adopted.

Joe made a motion to adjourn, Kevin seconded. Meeting adjourned 10:00 pm.

Mayor – Dal Schwendiman

City Clerk – Susan Lott