

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING

HARRISON CITY COUNCIL

August 10, 2023, 6:00 PM

Harrison Senior Center

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Wanda Irish called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Brett Murdock, Russell Riberich, Joe Cornell, Josephine Prophet, and Will Butler were present.
Debbie Lockhart was not present.

3. GUEST SPEAKERS: N/A

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS/LETTERS:

Jenniffer Mcenomy made a public comment and stated that she had received a notice on her dumpster from the City. She mentioned she talked to the City about moving her dumpster across the street. She states that if she has to move it, it will impact her business. She stated that she has hired an attorney to help with that matter.

Mike Reinhardt made a public comment and stated that he had a question. Since item 7. A is his property he asked if the Mayor and Council would consider moving the agenda item up to be discussed first.

Heather Fields made a public comment and stated she received a notice on their garbage can. She stated she called the number and talked to the Public Works Supervisor and he stated that the only dumpster that is allowed on that property is One Shot Charlies because their dumpster is a public dumpster. She mentioned her idea of putting her dumpster over by One Shot Charlies.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR: - ACTION

- A. Approval of minutes for the Regular Meeting on July 13, 2023
- B. Monthly Bills presented for approval.

Will Butler had a question about the Monthly bills. One bill was classified as Labor and Materials. This bill was for a piece of steel the city had purchased for the dump truck. Joe Cornell mentioned he did not charge any labor. Mary Riberich, the city treasurer, mentioned she had mis-classified it and she will change it to just materials.

Josephine Prophet mentioned she looked at the bills.

Joe Cornell mentioned that he did not have a chance to look at the bills.

Mary Riberich mentioned that she will file the monthly bills on Monday instead of Friday. That way, Joe Cornell could come in Friday and review the bills.

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Jo Prophet made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Will Butler seconded.

Brett Murdock AYE

Russell Riberich AYE

Joe Cornell AYE

Josephine Prophet AYE

Will Butler AYE

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Increasing Salaries for City Officials

Josephine Prophet mentioned that she thinks that \$25 a meeting is sufficient.

The Council would like a survey done comparing other cities' official salaries. This item will be on the next Administration Committee Agenda.

B. Approve 2023/2024 FY Tentative Budget--ACTION

Russell Riberich made a motion to move New Business Item B. to the end of Old Business as Item C.

Will Butler seconded

Brett Murdock AYE

Russell Riberich AYE

Joe Cornell AYE

Josephine Prophet AYE

Will Butler AYE

7. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Discussion Regarding 102 South Coeur D'Alene Ave 20 Feet Access

Mayor Wanda Irish mentioned that the owner came into City Hall and asked for the tape recording of the meeting when Council approved this. She stated that she has not got that information for him yet.

Mike Reinhardt stated that he would like to see the approved minutes because he believes it states that the Council approved his driveway to be permanent. He states that everyone should be treated equally. He also would like clarification of why this item was brought to Council. He read a statement from his daughter Amanda Reinhardt which stated that the driveway access was voted a permanent driveway and did not require a permit through the City. She also stated that if the City decides to move forward on this item that the property owner would seek legal action.

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Mayor Wanda Irish mentioned that if their address is Coeur D Alene Avenue then their driveway access will be on Coeur D Alene Ave. Not on a different street.

Josephine Prophet mentioned that his driveway access does take up two more parking spots.

Will Butler stated that its bad policy for the City to give up two parking spots to a private citizen to allow him to say when people can use the driveway access and park there. He also stated that the signs that the property owner has put up tow away signs if you block the driveway access.

The Attorney mentioned that since Legal Action was mentioned at the meeting, that it's best for the City Council to move on to the next item.

B. Approve HMH Planning Contract-ACTION

Tyler Koober from HMH Engineer was present.

Mayor Wanda Irish stated at the July Council Meeting that the Council approved HMH to be the City Planner but Council did want to see their Planning Contract.

Will Butler made a motion to approve the HMH Planning Contract

Joe Cornell seconded

Brett Murdock AYE

Russell Riberich AYE

Joe Cornell AYE

Josephine Prophet AYE

Will Butler AYE

C. Approve 2023/2024 FY Tentative Budget-ACTION

Joe Cornell mentioned that he had not had a chance to look over the budget and it was given to him two days ago. He would like more time to compare and take notes. He mentioned that he would like to TABLE this item.

Josephine Prophet mentioned that if the Council should not TABLE this item tonight or the City will not have a budget. She also mentioned that everyone had a chance to look at the budget.

The Mayor mentioned that if the City does not have a budget the City stops. She mentioned that the City will have a Public Hearing and if numbers are to change the City can open the budget.

Joe Cornell mentioned that it would be prudent for the City Council to review this item back before July 1.

The Council went over the budget by line item and questions were answered.

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*Will Butler made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 FY Tentative Budget with changes that were made. (Moving Equipment and putting it into Capital Outlay)
Josephine Prophet seconded*

Russell Riberich AYE

Joe Cornell NAYE

Josephine Prophet AYE

Will Butler AYE

8. REPORTS:

A. Mayor

The Mayor mentioned that Kootenai County will be having meetings with cities to talk about holding impact fees and late fees. She mentioned if any of the Council members would like to participate in the meetings that would be great.

She mentioned that the City received a Bid for repairing City Hall. Since the building is in bad shape this will have to be done before we can repaint the building.

She also mentioned that at the last meeting One Shot Charlie's Handicap ramp was on there as an ACTION item. The owner did come in to retrieve a building permit and the City Building Inspector is currently working with the owner. The Council would like the Public Works Committee to review the plans.

She mentioned that the City and Council will have weekly meetings with HMH Engineering every Thursday at 4:00 PM.

B. Staff

i. City Attorney-Andy Doman N/A

ii. Public Works- Josh Burg

Josh reported that the City of Harrison has a new employee. He stated that he will be trained in all the departments. As of right now he will be working mainly in parks and streets. He reported that the lift station generator was serviced. This has not been serviced over 20 years. He also reported that the Water Department has been in direct contact with DEQ in regards to the clarity, air in the system, and constant pressure. These concerns and more are being addressed with the help of Jason Werely and DEQ. Josh mentioned that he will be starting a flushing schedule.

He also reported that there is a parking issue where Donnys Bottoms Up and The Creamery have their dumpsters at. He feels that this area should be solely for parking and he has been working on getting these dumpsters removed.

iii. City Clerk-Miriah Pfeiffer N/A

iv. HMH Engineering N/A

C. Committees

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- i. Economic Development Committee: N/A
- ii. Public Works Committee: N/A
- iii. Administration Committee: Budget, Local Option Tax

9. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 pm