

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING  
HARRISON CITY COUNCIL  
December 14, 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 arrived at 6:03 PM

**3. GUEST SPEAKERS:** Ani Matosian and Laura Roodhouse-Harrison Chamber of Commerce

Secretary, Ani Matosian reported that the Chamber Election was held December 13 and the 2024 Chamber Board Directors are Jacob Wallace, Laura Roodhouse, Chelsey Hall, Ani Matosian, and Miriah Pfeiffer.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS/LETTERS:** N/A

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR: - ACTION**

**A.** Approval of Minutes for the November 9, 2023 Regular meeting and November 16, 2023 Special Meeting.

**B.** Monthly Bills presented for approval

*Josephine Prophet made a motion to approve the consent calendar as is.*

*Will Butler seconded*

*Will Butler AYE*

*Josephine Prophet AYE*

*Joe Cornell NAYE*

*Russell Riberich AYE*

*Brett Murdock NAYE*

*Debbie Lockhart AYE*

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A.** Approve Local Option Tax Ordinance #489 -**TABLED**

City Attorney, Terrun Zolman spoke with Elisa Magnuson, the assistant legal counsel for the State Tax Commission, and informed him that the Idaho State Tax Commission typically does not administer (collect and remit the LOT) because of the costs associated with such. The State Tax Commission quoted someone last year with \$15,000 start-up fee to “reconfigure their system” and it would roughly be \$15,000 yearly maintenance after the first year.

Council member Brett Murdock stated that the city informed the public that the Idaho State Tax Commission would administer the LOT, not the city.

Council member Russell Riberich stated that he would reach out to the Idaho State Tax Commission about the \$15,000 start-up fee.

*Brett Murdock made a motion to table item # 6.A*

*Debbie Lockhart seconded*

*Will Butler AYE*

*Josephine Prophet AYE*

*Joe Cornell AYE*

*Russell Riberich AYE*

*Brett Murdock AYE*

*Debbie Lockhart AYE*

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**B. Approve Lake City Law Revised Legal Services Agreement -ACTION**

Lake City Law changed the language in Section 4 of the Agreement to state that they will provide up to 15 hours of time under their monthly retainer before seeking further compensation.

***Will Butler made a motion to approve Lake City Law Revised Legal Services Agreement***

***Russell Riberich seconded***

***Will Butler AYE***

***Josephine Prophet AYE***

***Joe Cornell AYE***

***Russell Riberich AYE***

***Brett Murdock AYE***

***Debbie Lockhart AYE***

**7. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Permitted Uses under Lease #166281-DISCUSSION**

Will Niska, from Parks and Rec, suggested that the city organize a workshop where business owners who have their dumpsters on leased property can attend. This way, the city can come to an agreement on where the dumpsters should be placed.

**8. REPORTS:**

**A. Mayor**

The mayor reported that City Hall will be closed December 25 for Christmas and January 1 for New Years Day.

**B. Staff**

i. City Attorney-Andy Doman N/A

ii. Public Works- Josh Burg

iii. City Clerk-Miriah Pfeiffer

Miriah found the 1968 survey near the Gateway Bar & Restaurant and sent it to legal counsel. Russell Riberich recused himself from the report.

iv. HMH Engineering

**C. Committees**

i. Economic Development Committee: N/A

ii. Public Works Committee: Public Works next meeting will be January 29 at 8:30 AM at City Hall.

iii. Administration Committee:

Administration next meeting will be December 18 at 4:00 PM.

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** **A.** Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 PM