CANYONVILLE CITY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

**REGULAR SESSION 7:00 P.M.**

**AUGUST 10, 2020**

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mayor Young called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance and

Prayer.

**II. ROLL CALL:**

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Young, Councilors Coleman, Johannessen, Freeman, and Barton.

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilors Young and Woods.

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator /Recorder Evans and Finance Deputy Recorder Bennett.

STAFF ABSENT: None.

**IIV. AGENDA REVIEW AND/OR ADDITIONS:**

None.

**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

None.

**V. COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

* 1. Rental of the old YMCA building.

The South Umpqua School District is interested in leasing the old YMCA building. They would utilize the building as a sports room so that they could free up more classrooms in the school to help follow the COVID 19 restrictions for social distancing. They are willing to take responsibility for all the upkeep inside and outside, including the grounds area. The lease of the building would be $1.00, and the city would not be required to make any improvements.

Councilors agreed that this would be a great deal for the City.

**Councilor Johannessen moved, and Councilor Barton seconded a motion to rent the old YMCA building to the South Umpqua School District as is, with no improvements being made by the City. Mayor Young, Councilors Coleman, Johannessen, Freeman, and Barton voted “yes”. No “nays”. The motion carried.**

2. Water Transmission Line for Reynolds Water Tank.

The main water line that runs from the water treatment plant to the Reynolds water tank is leaking. When Gross’s decided to log their property, they discovered the ground was to soft where the water line runs through their field. It looked like in 2007 the City applied for a grant/loan for $700,000.00 to replace the Reynolds line from the reservoir tank to the water treatment plant. According to the application there were several unidentified leaks in the line. We were not able to find where they followed through with the project application.

The City Engineer looked at the area and agrees with staff that the leak really needs to be fixed. The Engineers estimate to install a new line from the top of James Street to the Reynold water tank is $176,100.00. Time is of the essence to get this project done before winter, so staff is recommending that council declare an emergency and exempt the project from the public bidding process. Otherwise is can take a minimum of 3 months to jump through all the hoops and award the bid.

**Councilor Barton moved, and Councilor Freeman seconded a motion accept the Resolution No. 680 declaring an emergency exists and to exempt the Reynolds water line repair from the competitive bidding process. Mayor Young, Councilors Coleman, Johannessen, Freeman, and Barton voted “yes”. No “nays”. The motion carried.**

**3.** Cares Act Funding.

The State of Oregon is distributing some of the money from the Care Act to local cities in

Oregon through a grant program. The City of Canyonville has been allotted $58,000.00. The

grant proceeds are to be distributed by a reimbursement request. This money can be used for

City expenses connected to the pandemic. We have only spent $8,000.00 so there is a balance of

$50,000.00 left to do something with or we will have to give the funding back to the State. Staff

has checked into taking half of the $50,000.00 to assist Canyonville business owners with

rent/mortgage payments or utilities that have been affected by the pandemic. The rest of the

$25,000.00 can go to assist Canyonville residents with rent/mortgage payments or utilities that

have been directly affected by the pandemic.

Council agreed that we can give a minimum of $800.00 per business and $200.00 per non-owner

employee up to $400.00. So, there would be a maximum of $1,200.00 a busines could receive.

This is a first come first till the funding runs out.

**Councilor Barton moved, and Councilor Freeman seconded a motion to approve a City Small Business Assistance Grant Program where businesses can apply for a minimum grant amount of $800.00, with an additional $200.00 for up to two non-owner employees, . Mayor Young, Councilors Coleman, Johannessen, Freeman, and Barton voted “yes”. No “nays”. The motion carried.**

The grant assistance for citizens will go through Saint Vincent De Paul who will handle all the

applications and disbursement of the money to the creditor. The citizen will not receive a check

personally. Council agreed that up to $500.00 per household, one time only, would be a good

amount to give.

**Councilor Barton moved, and Councilor Freeman seconded a motion to give a household in the City limits of Canyonville a one time only grant of up to $500.00 for basic utilities, rent or mortgage. Mayor Young, Councilors Coleman, Johannessen, Freeman, and Barton voted “yes”. No “nays”. The motion carried.**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT at** 7:55 p.m.

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Jake Young, Mayor

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Janelle Evans, City Administrator/Recorder