

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Franklin City Building

January 10, 2024

7:00 P.M.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE

John D. Packer
Stuart Parkinson
Mark Dietrich
Kevin D. Beck (by phone)

STAFF

Tyona Atkinson, City Clerk

The council meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Mayor Packer.

Prayer: Councilmember Stuart Parkinson

Pledge: Councilmember Mark Dietrich

It was moved by Councilmember Stuart Parkinson and seconded by Councilmember Mark Dietrich to approve minutes of December 13, 2023, Council Meeting. Motion passed. Unanimous

It was moved by Councilmember Mark Dietrich and seconded by Councilmember Stuart Parkinson to approve minutes for the Special City Council Meeting of November 15, 2023, Heritage Land Development-Proposed Amendments to Development Agreement & Proposed Changes to Legacy Village Phase 2. Motion passed. Unanimous

It was moved by Councilmember Stuart Parkinson and seconded by Councilmember Kevin Beck to accept and approve the bills for December 2023. Motion passed. Unanimous

Appoint Bearnson & Caldwell-Aaron Bergman, Wayne Caldwell as attorneys for the City of Franklin (0:06:20)

Mayor John Packer asked the council to appoint Bearnson and Caldwell as attorneys for the City of Franklin.

It was moved by Councilmember Kevin Beck and seconded by Councilmember Stuart Parkinson to appoint Aaron Bergman and Wayne Caldwell from Bearnson and Caldwell as attorneys for the City of Franklin. Motion passed. Unanimous

Resignation of Lyle Fullers as Council Member (0:07:14)

Mayor Packer indicated that Lyle Fuller resigned as a city council member as of December 31, 2023, because of work and family commitments. Lyle mentioned to the mayor that he really enjoyed his time on the city council and working with the other city council members and staff.

Vote for Council President (0:08:33)

It was moved by Councilmember Stuart Parkinson and seconded by Councilmember Mark Dietrich to appoint Councilmember Kevin Beck as the Council President. Motion passed. Unanimous

Approve Grant Administrator Contract, Release of Funds and Environmental Assessment for Park Grant (0:09:45) (Attachments)

The mayor indicated that Amanda Collins the Community Development Manager from SICOG (Southeast Idaho Council of Government, Inc.) could not attend tonight because of other commitments. Mayor Packer read Amanda's email to explain these documents which states:

“SICOG performed the required environmental assessment for the park project and has found it will not have a significant environmental impact. The mayor's signature on the assessment is necessary for submission to the Idaho Department of Commerce for public comment.

The combined notice is public information for anyone who would like to review or make comment on the environmental assessment and serves as a public notice that the City of Franklin will be requesting the funds be released for continue progress on the playground and walking path.

The administration contract is the formal contract to follow the procurement we did on September 13, which was the day of the public hearing.”

The mayor stated that the park grant was approved. Councilmember Mark Dietrich asked if there was going to be a park committee. The mayor answered that there would be, but a public comment period needs to be done first. If the council approves the public notice and contract tonight, then the public has 19 days to comment. A motion needs to be made for authorizing the mayor to sign the “Combined Public Notice-Finding of No Significant Impact on the Environment and Notice to Intent to Request for Release of Funds” and the “Grant Administration Contract” which is for the City of Franklin's City Park Project. These funds will not cost the city anything and the project's estimated cost is \$252,694.86.

It was moved by Councilmember Stuart Parkinson and seconded by Councilmember Mark Dietrich for Mayor John Packer to sign the necessary papers for this grant administration. Motion passed. Unanimous

Mayors Minutes (0:13:46)

PHASE 1-WATER PROJECT: Councilmember Mark Dietrich asked how BSC Excavation (contractor) was coming on Phase 1. The mayor reported that the contractor had started back up and was going to pressure test the line and asked the city to shut the water off to Crooked Spring so they could connect into it. The contractor flushed the line from the raw water tank and that is the last he had heard. The mayor indicated that he talked to Brian Smaka (Forsgren Engineer) yesterday and Brian indicated that the contractor requested a weather day and is waiting for parts. The mayor mentioned that he wasn't sure if the contractor was still waiting for parts or not, but as soon as he gets an update, he would send out an email to the council.

The mayor had a meeting with the city's engineer and attorney regarding the situation with BSC Excavation. The attorney gave the city legal advice of what the city could do, and a letter was written to BSC Excavation stating the contractor had 10 days to come back to work. The contractor has until the first part of April for substantial completion which means that it is all working and then he has another 30 days after that to clean up and grade the road.

PHASE 3-WATER PROJECT: The mayor reported that WesTech received the skid the week before Christmas, and they will check it to make sure everything functions before they ship it to the city. It is supposed to be here today or tomorrow. Richard Jessop from RS Jobbers called wanting to get a diameter on the gasket that goes in the elbow so they could get that ordered. Phase 3 is moving along.

The new filters are all installed. The water plant is not running because we have shut off the water to it and all the water is coming from Dowdell Springs, which is a good thing.


PHASE 2-WATER PROJECT: There was an onsite inspection on Phase 2, and it was approved. Dome Technology is coming back in the spring to see if the xypex they put in the concrete will seal the small leak and do what it is supposed to do.

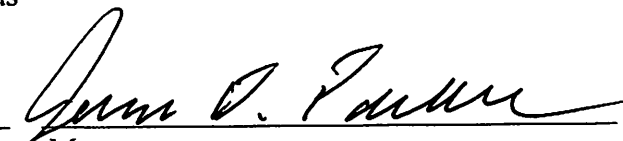
BRIDGE: We submitted a permit to dredge the river and that permit has been approved; however, there is a 20-day waiting period which puts it in the middle of January before the dredging can begin. The contractor, Craig Allen, is lined up to do the dredging.

The bid for the bridge should go out in the middle of February. Mayor Packer was told if the road to the bridge was closed then it would take a couple of months to complete, if we wanted to keep the road open then it could take up to a year to complete. The mayor chose to close the road for a couple of months.

NOMINEES FOR NEW COUNCIL MEMBER: Councilmember Kevin Beck asked if there were any potential nominees to fill Councilmember Lyle Fuller's spot. The mayor indicated that we do but waiting for a nominee to confer with his wife. He indicated that he does have a couple more that he is waiting on as well. He will let the council know as soon as he knows.

It was moved by Councilmember Kevin Beck and seconded by Councilmember Mark Dietrich to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Motion passed. Unanimous


City Clerk


Mayor