

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 19, 2020
6:00

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To be in accordance to the Governor's proclamation to not hold an in-person meeting, this council meeting was held via ZOOM. It was recorded

Mayor KayDee Gilkey called the May 19, 2020 regular council meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Town Council members present on ZOOM were Steve Walk, Jamie Paden, and Valerie Rogers. Mayor KayDee Gilkey and Emily Thomas were present physically and appropriately distanced at the council table. Dave Watling was not present.

Others present were Gregg Wernz and Devin Billington on ZOOM and Cheryl Loeffler was in the office.

Approval of the Minutes

ACTION

Steve Walk moved to approve the regular council meeting minutes from May 5, 2020, as presented, seconded by Valerie Rogers. The motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Claims May 19, 2020

Jamie Paden moved to approve the claims for May 19, 2020 with EFT's #832-835 for \$3,438.15 and checks and 20122-20129 for \$10,148.76; seconded by Steven Walk. The motion carried 4-0.

5-19-2020	
Claims	\$9,019.38
Payroll	4,567.53
Total Paid	\$13,586.91

Signed by Jamie Paden, Steve Walk and Emily Thomas.

Old Business

SCRAPS contract

Previous year's activity reports were reviewed and compared to the activity in 2019, which verified that 2019 was a very unusual year with dog issues. A few different ideas were discussed by the council. Once face to face meetings can be held again, we will invite someone from the County Budget Office to come and discuss the issues and ideas. The council will continue to investigate different solutions and fees.

Blood drive on Flag Day

Vitalant is scheduled to be in Fairfield at the community center on June 13th from 11:30-2:30 for a blood drive. They will be using the building instead of bringing the blood mobile, everyone will be wearing masks, the chairs spaced appropriately apart and checking temperatures of the clients. We are continuing to ask for donors to call town hall to sign up OR if you are familiar with the Vitalant website, you can sign up yourself.

CARES Act

Every town in Spokane County will be receiving a\$25,000 from the CARES Act, related to COVID-19. KayDee will contact the Department of Commerce for clarification of uses for these funds.

NEW BUSINESS

Utility bill

In March of this year, the resident at 106 N Johnson heard water running outside and discovered a water valve had been broken and the water had been running for quite some time. She had it shut off and notified the town immediately. The overage from this incident is \$185.80. There has not been an overage charged before to this residence.

ACTION

Since the property owner was quick to notify the town of a broken valve on March 16, 2020, Emily moved to forgive the overage charge of \$185.80 caused by the broken valve at 106 N Johnson, seconded by Jamie. The motion was approved 4-0.

Public Works Report

Sewer:

- Wastewater samples will be taken in this week.

Streets:

- When weather allows, we are planning on asphalt repairs to multiple locations in Fairfield.
- TIB Crack Seal Project is in the works to happen around late June.
- Speed signs are scheduled to go up this month.
- Dust control is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 21st.

Parks:

- 930D Grasshopper mower is back up and going.
- Edging on Pathway is continuing.
- Fertilizer has been applied to parks.

Water:

General:

- Jason has been working with Fairfield for one year as of May 14th. Congratulations Jason!

An Example of a Regular Task:

Mowing (24 HRS/Week.)

Although this is a simple task to mow the lawns Fairfield has a lot of grassy areas causing it to be time consuming. We mow the well houses, reservoirs, Theil Park, Hart Park, Hahner's Field, The Pit, museum, library, community center and roadsides.

Other

A check for \$2,500 was received today from First Interstate Bank Foundation. This is the grant that is to be used for food and supplies for different youth programs.

Compliments/Complaints

Gregg Wernz complimented Devin and Jason on the good job fixing the ditch along Jackson and very glad the grant went through for the water project. This should eliminate the problems on his property at the bottom of Jackson Road.

Dates to remember

May 25 Office closed for Memorial Day

June 15 Summer Lunch Program starts KayDee will reach out to LaDonna. School is still in session June until June 16th. Possible to do the grab and go. Liberty has had good success with this program with 60-70 students getting lunch.

ADJOURN

With no further business, the council meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.


KayDee Gilkey, Mayor


Cheryl Loeffler, Clerk/Treasurer