



Approved Minutes

Regular City of Athol City Council Meeting

Held in the Council Room in City Hall

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

6:00pm Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Ruch called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Ruch; Councilwoman Kramer; Councilwoman Porter; Councilwoman Devine; Deputy Clerk- Lisa; Public Works-Kevin Foster; and Attorney, Zach Jones. Not Present: Councilman McDaniel, City Clerk/Treasurer-Lori Yarbrough, and Rand Wichman, City Planner.

REPORTS:

TREASURY REPORT - Lori submitted the April 2024 report. Lisa read the ending STCU Checking account balance on the report was \$42,912.43; the ending Savings/Money Market account was \$130,749.15; and the ending LGIP account balance was \$1,142,764.88. The P1FCU Money Market is \$116,738.19 and the savings were \$23,744.29.

WATER REPORT- Lori submitted a written report. Lisa shared the May usage was 5,206,948 million gallons; coin haulers were 285,200 gallons. May billed utilities was \$21,888.00, overage of \$1,982.00 and collected was \$24,343.51. Lisa said there were only about 49 accounts that received a late fee this month.

PLANNER REPORT – Rand submitted a written report and was not present.

ACTION ITEMS:

1) APPROVAL OF THE June 4th REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Motion by Kramer, that we approve the last regular meeting minutes for the 4th, without amendments.

*NO DISCUSSION NEEDED. All in favor-none opposed. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

2) APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: Council asked staff about 1 bill for clarification, then the following motion was made: Motion by Devine, that we approve paying the bills as submitted.

*DISCUSSION All in favor-none opposed. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

3) APPROVAL/DISCUSSION regarding Fence Repair at the Cemetery Water Tank. Kevin explained what damage was done to the fence around the water tank, and then the following motion was made: Motion by Devine, to use Idaho Fence for the repairs; not to exceed \$900.00 and pay 50% down in advance.

*DISCUSSION Roll Call Vote: Devine-Yes, Kramer-Yes, Porter-Yes. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

4) DISCUSSION/APPROVAL to Select a Contractor for the Road Improvements at the new Commercial Water Hauler. Kevin recapped what the work for each of the bids would provide. The council asked a few more questions that Kevin answered, then the following motion was made: Motion by Porter, to approve using Rock Spring Excavation, Inc. ; not to exceed \$15,000. *DISCUSSION Roll Call Vote: Kramer-No, Porter-Yes, Devine-No. Motion failed. ACTION ITEM The Attorney explained that a second motion could be made for this action item. A Second Motion to Select a Contractor for the Road Improvements at the new Commercial Water Hauler was as follows: Motion by Kramer, to approve using

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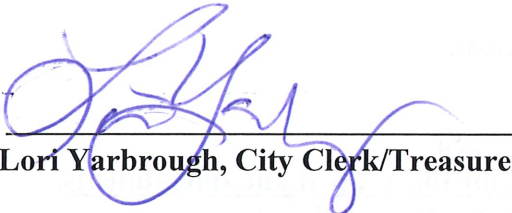
Weber Excavating; not to exceed \$10,000.00. * No further DISCUSSION. **Roll Call Vote:** Kramer-Yes, Porter-No, Devine-Yes. **Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: City Council- none. / Mayor-none. / Staff- none.

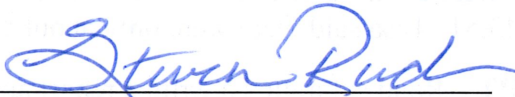
PUBLIC COMMENTS: 1) County resident, Marilyn Twete: Asked for clarification, she was advised that the Athol Cemetery was not part of the City of Athol. She asked for clarification on this and if it is part of the city, why is the area close to Hwy 54, when entering the cemetery, not being maintained? She is concerned about the height of the weeds and fire issues. And is the cemetery maintained or not? Public Works Kevin Foster explained that the entrance area this area in the “Right away” and belongs to Idaho Transportation Department. ITD would be who she would want to contact on this topic. Kevin further explained that the cemetery is an unmaintained cemetery and always has been. He does go up there approximately twice a year to mow, as well for Memorial Weekend. Councilwomen Kramer explained that the cemetery and the need to expand as well as what level of maintaining it is on their list of items to work on but, they must prioritize the importance based upon the funds they have to work with. Mrs. Marilyn Twete suggested the city look into grants and possible use volunteer help. She is willing to look further into this. **No other public comments.**

ADJOURNMENT at 6:47pm

ATTEST:



Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer



Steven Ruch, Mayor

Approved at Council on