

City of Wendell  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
April 21, 2022

**Mayor Vipperman** called the regular meeting of the Wendell City Council to order at 7:17 PM. Council members present **BJ Marshall, John Gnesa and Juan Gonzales. City Attorney Tim Stover** was also present. **Shaun Spencer** was not present, but he gave the council verbal notice on April 7, 2022, and written notice on April 19, 2022, that he would be unable to attend this meeting.

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to approve the April 6, 2022, Council meeting minutes as presented. **Councilman Gnesa** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; all approved; none opposed; motion passed.

The minutes for April 11, 2022 were deferred to the next meeting for approval.

**BILLS**

**Councilwoman Marshall** made a motion to approve the bills, in the amount of \$10,142.27. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall- Aye, Councilman Gonzales- Aye and Councilman Gnesa- Aye**; motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS (discussion/action items)**

**Consideration of Residential Sidewalk Grant Application for 251 E Ave A**

Two bids were included with the application. For residential, the grant reimburses 75% of the lowest bid or actual cost, whichever is lower. **Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to approve the residential sidewalk grant application for 251 E Ave A for 75% of \$2400 or 75% of the actual cost, whichever is lower. **Councilwoman Marshall** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall- Aye, Councilman Gonzales- Aye and Councilman Gnesa- Aye**; motion passed.

### **Consideration of Updated City of Wendell Personnel Policy**

The Clerk's office presented the updated Personnel Policy. It includes the addition of Juneteenth to the list of holidays recognized by the City of Wendell. **Councilwoman Marshall** made a motion to approve the updated City of Wendell personnel policy as presented. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall**- Aye, **Councilman Gonzales**- Aye and **Councilman Gnesa**- Aye; motion passed.

### **Bryan Lamb- Transfer Station Proposal**

Tabled. Bryan Lamb was not at the meeting to present a proposal. Additionally, no proposal was received by the City of Wendell before the council meeting.

### **Consideration of Public Works Department Training Incentive Program**

Tabled. More information is needed.

### **AIC Meeting Update**

**Councilwoman Marshall** and **Councilman Gonzales** spoke on the recent AIC training event on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. It was attended by **Councilwoman Marshall**, **Councilman Gonzales**, and the City Clerk/ Treasurer. There was an abundance of information on funding programs, training opportunities, risk assessment for local government, updates on recent Idaho legislature, and some very interesting youth programs geared toward teaching kids about the processes involved in their local government. **Councilwoman Marshall** also told the council of upcoming events including an annual AIC conference to be held in Boise June 22-24, 2022. She stated that it would be a very beneficial event to attend.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS (action items)**

### **Cruizin the Canyon-Annual Car Show in the City Park Event**

Caleb Brunsen presented to the council the Special Event application with a plan for more activities for kids and no beer garden. Mayor Vipperman stated that the plan was very detailed and included a time for cleanup after the event.

**Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to approve the Special Event Application for the Cruizin the Canyon 2022 event contingent upon Cruizin the Canyon providing the City of Wendell with a copy of their current Commercial General Liability Insurance policy. **Councilman Gnesa** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall- Aye, Councilman Gonzales- Aye and Councilman Gnesa- Aye**; motion passed.

**Department Reports** (Public Works/ Clerk-Treasurer/ Fire/Police /Library / Ordinance)

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Former Mayor Don Dunn** asked about the 2020-2021 city audit. He requested information when it is completed. Don also stated that he was happy with the work the new Code Enforcement Officer, Nathan Lewis, is doing.

## **Council**

**Councilman Gnesa** stated that the High School was having a plant sale/fundraiser in May. He also stated that Simerly's has a lot of new yard items that are worth checking out.

## **Mayor**

**Mayor Vipperman** stated that while she is unable to be in her office as much as she would like to right now, the employees are always hard at work. She says that the City of Wendell staff are motivated and that they are doing a great job. She stated that she had recently completed a communications audit regarding the new park grant for Blue Cross Foundation for Health and that there would be a meeting with them at City Hall on April 27, 2022. She also stated that she had submitted a grant application on the city's behalf to Kubota and only 5 cities across the nation will be awarded this grant.

## **Adjourn**

**Councilwoman Marshall** made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Wendell City Council at 8:27 PM. **Councilman Gnesa** seconded the motion.

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Rebecca Vipperman/ Mayor

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Attest: Karri French Clerk /Treasurer