



NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Don Stevens
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North Bonneville Workshop Meeting Tuesday July 11, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Council Workshop: Note - the workshop discussion period is from 6:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. followed by the Regular Council Session - it is possible that workshop discussion items are continued into the regular council session.

Workshop Meeting Call to Order

Roll Call – All present

Unfinished Business

New Business – John Spencer kicks off Budget Meeting #1 – has 3 handouts (Budget Calendar, detail on Tourism Fund and a summary of fund balances showing what is in the red). We are starting early in budget process. All dept heads except one have submitted their budget requests. Public hearings coming up on Oct 10 and 24. Mayor recommends increasing Ad Valorem tax as it is an essential prerequisite for grant applications. Tourism Fund: Since the lodge closed, these funds will be declining. This would best be preserved as a grant match for capital projects (don't use it for small projects). Tourism funds can only be used to promote N. Bonneville (advertising) or to build a facility related to tourism. Fund discussion: General Fund is: you want 3 months reserve so keep \$140K in bank. Water and sewer are looking bad but you can combine them (counsel says they were combined back in 1971). Very common for small cities to combine these 2 funds and it is an acceptable BARS practice.

Adjournment: 7:00



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City Council Meeting Agenda

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7:00 p.m.

Meeting Call to Order

Roll Call – all present

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Agenda Changes & Additions

Consent Agenda

- Approval of payroll and last meeting minutes - motion by B. Bianchi, 2nd by Terry, unanimous

Guest Presentations

Public Comment

- A citizen recommends banning fireworks within North Bonneville city limits and discussed ordinance which we passed 2 weeks ago reducing legal firework use to July 4th & New Year's Eve only.

Councilmember Comments

- Bob Bianchi – will only attend 2 more Council meetings because he is moving away. When he steps down, a sign will be posted on the city Kiosk ; in the past, the city removed high grass and weeds but if it is on a citizen's property, we cannot without the owner's permission. Ordinance 912 needs to be changed and Bob brought some suggestions for our next meeting; Bob is the chair on the hotel/motel committee so a new chair will need to be elected
- Terry Norris - Fire Dept pay – they get paid quarterly if they submit their data on time; city lights are on all the time; can we turn them off during the day? PUD wants proof we will save money before TIB will approve the LED grant

Mayor's Comments

- Don Stevens – next year at Gorge Days, might want to put 2 public works people on, one to pick up garbage which Don has historically done

Administrator's Report

- Attached

City Attorney's Report

- Combining water and sewer funds normally takes ordinance and public meeting. However, we already combined them back in 1971, however it was never acted upon.

Unfinished Business –

- Approval of Judie Whitcomb absence last meeting - cannot approve Judie's absence because she did not notify us in advance; but she'll be okay anyways
- Written Pool Proposal by Karen Douglass – Karen did not attend but sent her proposal to the city today. Atty states the safe harbor is using our Tourism money for promotional materials (advertising for N. Bonneville) but that is not what the Pool project is proposing. Historically, the Auditor looked for a nexus between people travelling 50 miles or more to N. Bonneville and heads/beds. The Pool does not satisfy that requirement. She can apply via the JLARC program if

we decide to put diminishing funds into that program this fall.

New Business

- **Judie Whitcomb:** Discussion of renters who have an unattended pool; Mayor states city owns the streets, sidewalks and stormwater system, but not the common area in the middle of the grass where the now empty pool is sitting. That area belongs to the development collectively, the city is not responsible for that area. Mayor has already spoken to the residents, the renter, 2 attorneys and has been told the city has nothing to do with the pool in that space. Many landlords say: no pools.

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Closing Public Comments

- Julie Sabo – thanks to Bob Bianchi for his service

Closing Council Comments

- Brian Sabo – thanks to Bob Bianchi for his service

Note: Council may adjourn to executive session in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 during any meeting.

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City Administrator's Report

TIB LED Update – When I arrived at the city, Richard said he had been working on the LED light grant for 2 years. He did not keep many documents, however. When I met with the TIB supervisor, he said it was a “done deal” except for the PUD had to provide some input. When I asked Jason at TIB the status of the PUD, he said several times it was in progress and the delay was with the PUD. This week, Jason said that the grant was never applied for. This week, his supervisor said it was applied for by Richard and I now have a hard copy of the grant. What needs to be done: we have to contact the PUD and they have to agree to a rate decrease which will translate into savings for us. If we can negotiate this, then TIB will approve the grant. (The idea is: if TIB is going to fund the LED project, they don't want the PUD charging the same rates as before. So they want us to negotiate the rates down with the PUD).

Contractor Nutter ran into some TV cable which was not accounted for by locater services.

Clark & Sons – Emergency Road Repair Grant – go live date is this week

Evergreen East - Estimated start date is 2nd week in August

Financials – finished the financials this week. Expected water revenue is down but once we resolve the issues with the Lodge, we should see the fund improve.