

NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Brian Sabo Councilmember Terry Norris Councilmember Margie Lee Councilmember Travis Randall Councilmember Joshua Good Councilmember Richard Hall

City Council Meeting Minutes August 23, 2022 7:00 p.m.

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Meeting Call to Order: 7pm

Roll Call: Present; Mayor B. Sabo, Councilmembers R. Hall, T. Randall, T. Norris, M. Lee, J. Good

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Changes & Additions: N/A

Public Hearings: N/A

Consent Agenda: Approval of the August 9th meeting minutes and the August 2nd half vouchers for

\$10,564.14; Motion by T. Randall, second by T. Norris Passed 5-0

Guest Presentations: David Wyatt FVRL Library Remodel – Branch Manager for the Gorge discusses ideas for plans to remodel their space for more room and possible after-hours accessibility. Mayor Sabo and council questions and discusses the ideas presented and are on board to continue brainstorming.

Public Comment: N/A

Councilmember Comments: J. Good mentions citizen concerns about not having their voices heard regarding public comment for planning hearings. He also suggests that any planning decisions should be heard by council before decisions are final. Discussion ensues between Mayor Sabo, Planning Advisor, City Attorney, and Council.

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Sabo shares a comment from citizen Jim Huffman of NB regarding statements previously made by council that citizens are not involved or listening, and assures that they are. He also praises council for doing a good job and reminds that they will hear more from citizens who take issue than people who are satisfied with their decisions. The Mayor also shares that FEMA received the planner's response not agreeing to the floodplain zones. He states that the park restrooms are waiting on partitions and that work will begin soon, but likely will not open until next season. He mentions that the Dept. of Ecology visited PW this morning to present their award for the plant. Mr. Sabo ends with thanking all who helped assemble the playground and that kids were lining up even prior to it being finished.

Chief Administrative Officer Report: Deanna reports that groundbreaking on the sports court has been postponed due to the RCO needing to review the archaeological study that was completed last year. It had been checked off in the grant portal, but the report was never actually sent in for review. She shares that this could delay construction by up to two months and may delay further due to weather at the time.

City Attorney's Report: N/A

Planner's Report: Tom brings up an upcoming conditional use hearing on Sept. 6th regarding livestock permit for chickens. He says that there are many chickens in town and none are permitted without the conditional use approval.

Unfinished Business: N/A

New Business:

- Approval of 6-month extension of the Law Enforcement Service Contract not to exceed \$7,000/month: Motion by T. Randall, second by M. Lee. Mayor Sabo inserts that the current sheriff is extending to allow for the new sheriff to do their own negotiations. Passed 5-0
- Acceptance of the completed TIB granted crack sealing project by BVC: Motion by T. Randall, second by J. Good Passed 5-0
- Approval of invoice for payment from BVC in the amount of \$50,69.72 with a 5% retainage of \$2,532.49 to equal a current payout of \$48,117.23: Motion by R. Hall, second by T. Randall. Mayor Sabo reminds that the TIB will be reimbursing most of the cost. Passed 5-0
- Bradford Island Cleanup discussion: Mayor Sabo attended a meeting regarding the Bradford Island cleanup with Linda Balcom from Balcom Environmental Services and Chris Budal from the Army Corps of Engineers. They are wanting serious community involvement and input prior to starting the project and would like a councilor to put a committee together. They highlighted wanting to know citizen health concerns. The project will require studies and then will be presented to congress for funding, but will not likely begin for a few years.
- City Dog Park discussion (Councilor Hall): R. Hall suggests ideas, needs, and costs for an area for unleashed dogs within the city. Council speaks on prior discussions regarding dog parks, budgeting, maintenance, and insurance. The attorney mentions possible recreational immunity regarding insurance. The Mayor mentions areas allowable for off-leash play outside of city limits. Deanna mentions that the cost to license dogs doesn't even cover the price of tags and annual reminder cards, but will look into the recreational immunity. Consensus shows lack of support.
- Councilor Good discussion prohibiting cannabis grow and retail stores within city limits: J. Good discusses past issues with all cannabis related businesses within the city and wonders if the city can just prohibit all. The city attorney shares that it is possible to change all zones to a prohibited use moving forward, but could not affect any current businesses. Josh asks council if there is an appetite to take any action before looking into further and had full support. Tom will work on ordinances to present at an upcoming meeting to address the changes.

Closing Public Comment: N/A

Closing Council Comments: T. Norris asks about the issue at the pump station. Mayor Sabo replied that there have been two call outs in the last two days due to rags being caught in the pump again. It is assumed that they are coming from the RV park sewer dumping station, and will be speaking with the new owners to look for foreign items being dumped.

Adjournment: 8:56pm