

City of Stanley Special Meeting Tele-Conference March 10, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:

Mayor Steve Botti, Council President Laurii Gadwa, Councilmember Austin Clegg and Councilmember Tim Cron. All answered to roll call. City staff members included: City Clerk/Treasurer Cari Tassano.

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Charlie Thompson, James Fowler, Hunter Diehl, Russel Clark, Gary Gadwa, Garret Visser, Greg Wallace, Kyle Maki, Gabriel Cardoso, and Jeffrey Hall

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Botti at 1:00 p.m.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Charlie Thompson wanted to comment regarding potable water and work force housing on the 4-acre parcel on Museum Drive. The City did a water and supply data review. After reading this report Thompson is concerned about the potential of having a good well or even a functional well.

- 1. Is obtaining potable water possible, the volume a well could produce in this area and the condition of the water. He would like the council to consider wells across town, many individuals have had well problems. He would like the City to have a meeting with well drillers in the area prior to drilling.
- 2. Thompson is in support of the Gem Grant for drilling a well but would like the council to keep an open mind and if the water is not adequate to consider other properties for a workforce housing site. Of course, still find uses for the well on the 4 acres off Museum Drive, if drilled.

Idaho Wildlife Federation – Garret Visser – Salmon Recovery: He noted our recent resolution that was passed in support of Congressman Simpson's Salmon Recovery proposal. Visser explains off a slide show he had prepared: Impacts currently in the system for Idaho Fish: Snake River basin produces 55% of Summer Steelhead, 40-45% of Spring-Summer Chinook for the entire Columbia Basin (all Idaho Fish). Significant Economical importance Chinook fisheries can produce up to \$90,000,000 for our state. To date we have already spent \$17,000,000,000 trying to save our fish, but unfortunately, we are still experiencing rapid declines. We only need 2% to 6% smolt returns to improve the numbers. Idaho fish must cross the most dams and have the lowest returns consistently. In conclusion our wild stock is circling the drain, we have 4 dams too many in the system, countless biological opinions and river management discussions in the last 30 years have all been struck down by the courts. The current system is still failing our fish. If we do nothing Palouse Farmers will be required to do it themselves, EPA rate payers will be required to pick up the slack of loss power, truly Fish vs. Farms. That is where Congressman Simpson steps in with his Columbia Basin Fund.

BUILDING PERMITS:

Building Permit #957 – B&C Property Holding LLC – Modular Employee Housing – 12 Units – North side of Sulfur Flats: Russell Clark agreed to give samples to the Mayor for his approval prior to ordering final Hardy Board siding; as done with previous building permits. Councilmember Clegg moves to approve building permit #957. Council President Gadwa seconds. Roll Call Vote: Council President Gadwa – Aye, Councilmember Cron – Aye, Councilmember Clegg – Aye. All approve. Motion passes

SAWTOOTH VALLEY GATHERING 8/4 - 8/9 2021:

In August 2020, the City Council approved the event dates. Today we will be approving the safety plan and the 2021 contract. Council President Gadwa moves to approve the safety plan that will be re-evaluated closer to the event and the 2021 SVG Contract with the same rate structure as last year. Councilmember Cron seconds. Roll Call Vote: Council President Gadwa – Aye, Councilmember Cron – Aye, Councilmember Clegg – Aye. All approve. Motion passes

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILMEMBER:

Mayor Botti has nominated Gabriel A. Cardoso to be appointed to the vacant Councilmember Seat #4. Mayor Botti administered the Oath of office to the nominated Councilmember Gabriel A. Cardoso.

RESOLUTION 2021-4 DISASTER EMERGENCY DELCARATION:

Council President Gadwa moves to approve Resolution 2021-4. Councilmember Cron seconds. Roll Call Vote: Council President Gadwa – Aye, Councilmember Cron – Aye, Councilmember Clegg – Aye. All approve. Motion passes

RESOLUTION 2021-5 IDAHO GEM GRANT APPLICATION:

Council President Gadwa moves to approve Resolution 2021-5. Councilmember Clegg seconds. Roll Call Vote: Council President Gadwa – Aye, Councilmember Cron – Aye, Councilmember Clegg – Aye. All approve. Motion passes

Mayor Botti adjourns the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

ATTEST:

Carl Tassano, City Clerk

