

**City of Stanley
Special Meeting
August 10, 2021**

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:

Mayor Steve Botti, Council President Laurii Gadwa, Councilmember Tim Cron, Councilmember Austin Clegg, all answered to roll call. City staff members included: City Clerk/Treasurer Cari Tassano. Councilmember Gabriel Cardoso was not in attendance.

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Jeffrey Hall, Patrick Halstead and Kristen Staten by phone.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Botti at 9:25 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – Proposed Ordinance #214 for increasing the salaries of the mayor and the city council as of January 01, 2022: The Public Hearing was opened at 9:25 a.m. to receive comments on proposed Ordinance for Salary increases for the Mayor and the City Council.

Council President Gadwa noted that there have been no salary increases for at least 10 years.

Testimony in favor: none

Neutral Testimony: none

Testimony in opposition: none

There was no written testimony submitted.

There were no closing comments by the City Council.

Mayor Botti adjourns the public hearing at 9:28 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Special Meeting is called to order by Mayor Botti at 9:29 a.m.

AGENDA AMENDMENT PER IDAHO CODE 74-204 B AND C: Council President Gadwa moves to add an executive session to the agenda to discuss the 2021-22 law enforcement contract. Councilmember Cron seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

DEVELOPMENT COMPANY UPDATES AND DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT APPROVAL:

the Department of Commerce was recently notified that due to legislature changes their spending authority has been reduced. They will only be funding 5 to 6 park applications. Unfortunately, the City of Stanley will not be funded in this round, because when they score their applicants, it's based off the population. Originally there was a contract sent over to be reviewed and signed, Kristen is recommending we table this contract right now until we know for sure the possibility of funding.

Three weeks ago, Economic Development Administration came out with a \$3,000,000,000 cares spending package with a tourism component. It looks like our park project would fit perfectly for this EDA Federal money. The Development Company will look into this possibility.

FY2021-22 BUDGET MEETING:

In the General Fund revenue, the city clerk added the Property Tax revenue based off the L2 procedures and requirements based on the new house bill 389. We will need to consider possible salary updates for the mayor and the city council. The General Fund expenses will need to be reduced to accommodate the new salaries: the council decided to reduce the administrative wages by \$5,000 (due to the option tax deduction done within the audit each year), Legal fee of \$10,000, technical support by \$1,000 and consulting services by \$5,000 reducing the general fund expenditures by \$21,000. Continuing with the general fund it was decided to open the budget for FY20-2021 to increase the option tax budget from \$360,000.00 to \$550,000.00 and to increase the option tax budget for FY21-2022 to \$600,000.00. The Custer County Contract was increased to \$68,000.00 which gives us wiggle room while we are negotiating the contract. The City Clerk gave the council numbers from Regence Medical Insurance (so they had a comparison vs paying into an HSA) with several different policy types and amounts, most of which are more than what the city is currently paying for Medical and Dental benefits (the city clerk gave a hard copy to the Mayor and the Council President for further review). In Streets & Roads we increased capital improvements to \$130,000.00 for a storm drain. The city council agreed that they are willing to spend up to 75 percent of our reserves in option tax for improvements to Pioneer Park, currently we have \$400,000 in Option tax transfers budgeted. We also added a new line item for matching funds for Grants of \$300,000 in the park fund.

ORDINANCE #214 COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED CITY OFFICIALS: Council President Gadwa moves to approve Ordinance #214 and to suspend the rules and read by title only, one time only as per Idaho Code 50-902. Councilmember Clegg seconds. Council President Gadwa reads by title only. Roll Call Vote: Council President Gadwa - Aye. Councilmember Clegg - Aye. Councilmember Cron - Aye. All approve. Ordinance #214 passes.

Cari Tassano requested earned vacation time of 70 hours to be moved to FY 21-2022 as per the 2021 Stanley Personnel Policy requirements: The city clerk explained that this is a result of two reasons:

1. since the personnel policy went into effect 01/01/2021 (she took several hours early in 2021) and the rollover of vacation policy has changed to only allow two pay periods or approximately 8 to 9 hours to be rolled over for each fiscal year.
2. Along with how busy the city office is in the summer months the City Clerk was unable to use all the time prior to this date; the upcoming work schedule consist of: FY22 Budget, city election, and opening the FY21 Budget there is no time prior to September 30, 2021 to use the time.

Councilmember Clegg moves to approve 70 hours of Cari Tassano earned vacation pay to be moved into FY21-2022 and used within the months of October, November, and December of 2021. Councilmember Cron seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council President Gadwa moves to go into executive session per Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (B and J): to discuss the Custer County Sheriff's Contract at 10:53 a.m. Councilmember Cron seconds. Roll Call Vote was taken by Cari Tassano: Council


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President Gadwa – Yea, Councilmember Clegg – Yea, Councilmember Cron – Yea. All approve. Motion passes.

At 11:28 a.m. Council President Gadwa announced we are now in regular session. Council President Gadwa moves to give the mayor authorization to negotiate the Law Enforcement contract with the Custer County Sheriff and the Custer County Commissioners as discussed. Councilmember Cron seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Botti adjourned the meeting at 11:31 a.m.



Steve Botti, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Cari Tassano, City Clerk



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