January 16, 2020 Council Meeting

City of Stanley
Council Meeting Minutes
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IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:
Mayor Steve Botti, Council President Laurii Gadwa, Councilmember Austin Clegg,
Councilmember Lem Sentz and Councilmember Tim Cron. All answered to roll call. City
staff members included: City Clerk/Treasurer Cari Tassano and Maintenance personnel
Greg Wallace and Aaron Forsgren.

OTHER ATTENDEES:
Mandy Clark, Keith Reese, Jason Bosley, Gary Gadwa, Josh Franks, Michael Powell, Charlie
Thompson

CALL TO ORDER:
The meeting is called to order by Mayor Botti at 6:01 p.m.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:
none

MAYOR COMMENTS:
Hwy 21 was closed for several days, there were 8 avalanches with approximately 21” of
snow. In the future we will have better communications between the highway department
and the City of Stanley. As reported in the last meeting regarding the 4-acre deed that we
are in possession of, it has been recorded and we are the legal owners of the property.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:
none

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:
none

COUNCIL ACTION ITEM LIST:
None

CONSENT AGENDA:
01-16-19 Council Meeting and the payment approval report – unpaid and prepaid bill for
December/January. Councilmember President Gadwa moves to approve the consent
agenda. Councilmember Clegg seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

INSTALLATION OF NEW COUNCIL:
Steve Botti administers the oath of office to the newly elected Councilmembers Tim Cron
seat #2 and Austin Clegg seat #1 and presented them with a certificate of election for a
term of 4 years.

Councilmember Cron moves to retain Laurii Gadwa as Council President. Councilmember
Sentz seconds. Laurii Gadwa abstained. All approve. Motion passes.

Tim Cron wanted to take this opportunity to let the public know what he would like to see
happen while he is a Councilmember. Even though change will happen, he would like to
preserve the character and authenticity of Stanley. There are not many places in the world
like Stanley. Cron would like to stand committed to rustic and western architecture, preserve and foster the small business community, he is against franchises, he would like to foster non-motorized bike paths in town and wants to make access possible in the Valley Creek Preserve for visitors. He’s happy to be a councilmember and enjoys Stanley immensely.

**APPOINTMENT OF CITY CLERK/TREASURER:**
Mayor Botti stated he would like to re-appoint Cari Tassano as City Clerk/Treasurer for another 2-year term and asks for the City Councils support. Council President Gadwa moves to re-appoint Cari Tassano as our City Clerk/Treasurer for the next two years. Councilmember Clegg seconds. All approve. Motion passes. Mayor Botti administered the oath of office to the re-appointed City Clerk/Treasurer.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT:**
The City Council is in receipt of the written report from the Custer County Sheriff’s office. The Council acknowledges the report.

**COMMUNITY BUILDING:**
Idaho River Rendezvous semi-annual event on May 15-17 (with a checkout time by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday), is requesting use of the community building at a reduced rate of $250.00 with a $250.00 security deposit that is refundable. Due to this not being listed as an action item on the agenda, the City Council did not vote, but acknowledged the rental and the fee amount and gave no objections.

**PIONEER PARK:**
none

**STREET AND ROADS:**
none

**AD HOC COMMITTEES:**
Cemetery: none
Code Review: none
Sawtooth Interpretive & Historical Association: currently accepting applications.
Groomer: no breakdowns and everything is running smoothly.
Chamber of Commerce: working on upcoming events: Bonspiel, Snowmobiler’s Fall & Fun Run and Winterfest.

**BUILDING PERMITS APPROVED BY CITY CLERK:**
none

**BUILDING PERMITS/CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL:**
none

**OLD BUSINESS:**
none

**NEW BUUISNESS:**
Stanley Winterfest annual permissions and requests for February 14-16, 2020. Councilmember Gadwa asked Bosley if there were any changes, which he stated there were not. Council President Gadwa moves to approve the permissions and requests for the 2020 Winterfest. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approve. Motion passes.
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Winterfest annual sponsorship request of $250.00. Councilmember Clegg moves to approve the $250.00 to be paid by the City. Councilmember Cron Seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

Sawtooth Valley Builders – update on the Kasino Club remodel: All work done to this date was on an emergency basis to stop water from leaking into the building. In the coming months they will be remodeling the interior and at some point, tearing down the 2nd story building in the center of the property and restoring the roof, when they get to this point, they will be applying for a building permit.

Special use permit for drilling well on workforce housing site: It is necessary for us to drill a well with potable water. This of course would have to be done thru a grant. If we cannot find potable water on the 4-acres, then we would be required to go on Forest Service land to try and find potable water in the vicinity (the Forest Service does have a couple of cisterns installed on the hill above the four acres that supplied water in a limited capacity to Forest Service employees in the 1930’s. the source was spring ground water). If this was to occur, we would then need a special use permit. This could be a lengthy process; as we have reported it took over four years just to have the property deeded to the City.

Extended sewer line to workforce housing site: The current special use permit that the sewer association has with the Forest Service can be modified to add our extended sewer line, this should take a lot less time than applying for a brand new special use permit.

Proposal to allow camping on workforce housing site: the old Sewer Lagoon that was abandoned in 1999, which part of it is on our 4 acres, this could affect our water supply, we are looking into whether we could even camp in this area. Testing was completed on the area when it was abandoned in 1999 and we do know the area was buried and it was not required to have the sludge hauled off to Ohio Gulch, we still need to know if this was done correctly. Our engineering firm recommends verifying all of this information before any camping could occur. We understand the importance of camping. Forest camping is limited to 10-14 days then you have to move, or does the law simply state that if you are employed in Stanley you are not allowed to camp in the forest (these sites may be reserved for recreational use only) these are the challenges employees are running into and they are sometimes harassed by law enforcement.

Camping Considerations: the group discussed different options RV hookups and dry camping and what type of services are necessary for dry camping. Sewage would be to expensive to complete in the near term. Would it be required to have potable water? There are also several administrative duties to consider:
- Fee for camping – there will be expenses
- Employee housing verification process – we can’t have employee’s friends also camping due to limited spots that are only for workforce housing employees, should the businesses owners monitor their own employees and collect the fees.
- Parking
- Trash
- Portable Toilets
- Visibility – clothesline and camping supplies
- Security
- How would the sites be disbursed to businesses fairly

Jason Bosley has volunteered to develop a plan to address all of these issues. Once we have a draft of a plan, we will have a work session to discuss this further.
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**CITY CLERK REPORT:**
Below is a list of the city clerk priorities, some of which are completed, she plans on having everything completed no later than the beginning of February:

City Clerk Priorities: Alcohol Beverage Licenses
Setting up Caselle software
2020 Audit
Streets and Roads State report
State & Federal quarterly returns
State annual return
W-2’s
1099’s
Treasury Report
Winterfest permit with SNRA
Parks & Recreation Snowmobile reporting 2019
Record deed in Custer County – 4 acres

**ADJOURNMENT:**
Mayor Botti adjourns the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Steve Botti, Mayor

ATTEST: Carl Tassano, City Clerk