

**City of Stanley  
Council Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2019**

**IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:**

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

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Diane Nini, Russell Clark, Keith Reese, Jeff Welker, CJ Sherlock, Martin Oseguera, Jeff Williams, Travis Killmer, Phoebe Pilaro, and Michael Powell

**PUBLIC HEARING - THE STANLEY CITY COUNCIL IS REQUESTING COMMENTS ON VARIANCE REQUEST AT LOT 9A STANLEY ANNEX SAWTOOTH TERRA TRACTS - 321 SAWTOOTH RIDGE ROAD - OWNED BY THOMAS AND LYNN KNUDSON - The applicant is requesting a variance of the SMC 17.20.040 minimum setback requirements to reduce the thirty-foot street setback applied to both sides of the platted forty-foot private road easement to zero-feet:**

The Public Hearing was opened at 5:31 p.m. in the Stanley Community Room to receive comment on the variance.

There were no opening comments by the City Council.

**Testimony in favor:** CJ Sherlock is in favor of the variance request, stating a one-story structure would be favorable. Mayor Botti read an email from Ellen Glaccum, in her email she described what she would like to see built on the lot and conditions she would impose upon the homeowner.

**Neutral Testimony:** Diane Nini asked for a description of the variance request, which was given by Travis Killmer and Jeff Williams.

**Testimony in opposition:** none

The City Council did not have any closing comments.

Mayor Botti adjourns the public hearing at 5:41 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting is called to order by Mayor Botti at 5:42 p.m.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

Councilmember Cron moves to amend the agenda as per Idaho Code 74-204 (4) (b) adding an executive session for pending litigation. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

**MAYOR COMMENTS:**

The Redfish Lake Trail is supposed to be virtually completed by now; unfortunately, it probably won't even start until spring. There is a disagreement between the Federal Highway Administration and their sub-contractor.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

None

**COUNCIL ACTION ITEM LIST:**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

08/15/2019 Public Hearing - Council Meeting and the Payment approval report – unpaid and prepaid bill for August/September. Councilmember Cron moves to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Clegg seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

**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:**

None

**PIONEER PARK:**

None

**STREET AND ROADS:**

Still working on a solution with the contractor on problems with Airport Road.

**AD HOC COMMITTEES:**

Cemetery: still working on fence

Code Review: none

Sawtooth Interpretive & Historical Association: museum will be open weekends only. The museum has had a record turnout this year.

Groomer: none

Chamber of Commerce: none

**BUILDING PERMITS APPROVED BY CITY CLERK:**

None

**BUILDING PERMITS/CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL:**

Building Permit #924 Phoebe Pilaro – 230 Wall Street - Lot 4, Block 7A Stanley Original – property line fence. Mayor Botti notified the applicant that they would need to verify the fence is on the property line that borders the City of Stanley. Councilmember Clegg moves to approve building permit #924 with the stipulation the applicant will amend permit if corrugated steel fence is to be used verses a board wood fence and discloses or removes fence boarding any other neighboring property. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

Building Permit #925 – B&C Property Holdings – 325 Eva Falls Avenue - new canopy over gas pumps. Councilmember Cron moves to approve building permit #925 with the stipulation the max height with the current sign does not exceed 28'. Councilmember Clegg seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

Building Permit #926 – Jeff Welker – 590 Valley Creek Road – Lot 14B Stanley Annex Sawtooth Terra Tracts – Porch Addition. Councilmember Cron moves to approve building permit #926. Councilmember sentz seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Lot 9A Sawtooth Terra Tracts – 321 Sawtooth Ridge Road – Thomas and Lynn Knudson – Residential B – Variance Request: Williams Partners Architects appeared in behalf of the Knudson's. Jeff Williams and Travis Killmer gave a description of the road that runs through the center of the lot and the hardship it creates for the owners. Councilmember Clegg read a letter written by Council President Gadwa stating she is in favor of the variance as long as the home and the outbuildings are single story structure(s). Councilmember Cron is opposed to the variance, he feels there is 6,000 square feet to build a home on in zone A (per Williams sketches) and doesn't feel this is undue hardship. Council President Gadwa feels it's a hardship with a road directly in the middle of their lot and does think it's appropriate to grant a variance to preserve what Stanley would like to see on this very visible hillside. Council President Gadwa moves to approve the variance request, with the stipulation that a low-profile single-story home or other buildings is built in zone A of lot 9A. Councilmember Clegg seconds. Councilmember Cron is opposed. approved. Motion passes.

Highway signs at all 3 entrances into Stanley: Vicki Jo Lawson has sent a letter requesting the City of Stanley change all 3 signs to say: Welcome to Stanley Gateway to 4 million acres of Central Idaho Wilderness, the signs currently say: Welcome to Stanley Gateway to the Sawtooth Wilderness. An estimate for just the signs is \$6,600. Council President Gadwa points out that due to our pending legal issues we do not have the extra funds for new signs at this time. Councilmember Cron moves to table request for new signs until we have a better idea of possible grants and next year's budget. Councilmember Clegg seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

Permitted uses in Open Land District SMC 17.36: As discussed before we would like to rezone the Valley Creek Preserve to Open Land District (This would be done in conjunction with the Comprehensive plan), If we decided to change the zoning, the Open Land District ordinance would need to be revised in order for us to accomplish certain things, for instance:

- Maintenance of small building over hot springs
- Maintenance of private road, bridges, culverts
- Monitor fish and stream flow
- Facilities related to the management or enhancement of permitted uses
- Existing parking
- Benches
- Interpretive signs
- Walking paths
- Kiosk

Council President Gadwa proposes that the Mayor and a couple Council members get together and write up a draft that can be reviewed. Councilmember Clegg seconds this proposal. All approve. Motion passes.

**CITY CLERK REPORT:**

Option Tax for July and August look good.

Before the executive session Mayor Botti would like to take a break, break was taken at 7:40 p.m.

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At 7:46 p.m. regular session was resumed.

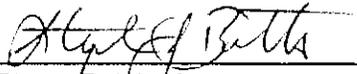
**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

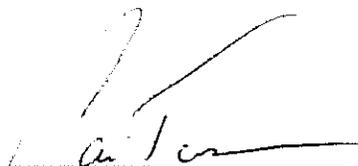
Councilmember Clegg makes a motion to go into executive session as per Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (F), pending litigation at 7:46 p.m. Councilmember Cron seconds. Roll call vote was taken by City Clerk Cari Tassano: Council President Gadwa - Aye, Councilmember Cron - Aye, and Councilmember Clegg - Aye. Councilmember Sentz - Aye. All approve. Motion passes.

At 9:34 p.m. Mayor Botti announced we are now in regular session; no decision have been rendered. There was no further business to discuss.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Botti adjourns the meeting at 9:34 p.m.

  
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Steve Botti, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Cari Tassano, City Clerk

