

**APPROVED**

**City of Stanley  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Tele-Conference  
October 15, 2020**

**IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:**

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

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Steen Sorenson, Michael Feltman, Eddie Bengston, Mathew Turley, George Nedelea, Jeff Welker, CJ Sherlock, Amy Klinger, Maggie Staas and T.J. Degan

**PUBLIC HEARING – Proposed Ordinance for regulations – Title 17- zoning regulations:** The Public Hearing was opened at 5:14 p.m.

There were no opening comments by the City Council.

**Testimony in favor:** none

**Neutral Testimony:** none

**Testimony in opposition:**

Michael Feltman – 860 Merritt Lane – Protests the 30 square foot of individual windows, if 50% or more of your house burns down you will need to follow the new ordinance. Would this be able to be waived on a case-by-case bases by the City Council. Feltman feels 30 square foot is arbitrary.

C.J. Sherlock – 590 Valley Creek – Protest the square footage of windows, this will reduce the value of your home. Suggests: instead of limiting the square footage of the windows, eliminate curtain walls. There are several homes in town that already have shed roofs.

Matthew Turley – Valley Creek – Lot 10A Stanley Annex Sawtooth Terra Tracts – Protests most of the new changes, he feels this ordinance is arriving too late to be fairly and equitably applied. There are multiple homes that would currently violate this code (there are a few in construction right now). There are already a number of shed roofs and a number of homes with large windows. Turley feels he should have the same rights as his neighbor does or did.

Jeff Welker – 590 Valley Creek – feels there is no tolerance here and we need to be tolerant of diversity. Window size is worrisome, windows bring in heat & warmth. There are several shed roofs in town already. Window sizes should not be controlled by the City.

Steen Sorenson – 33 Balsam Lane – works at Glass Masters in Ketchum – he stated that 30 square foot is not a very big window. Maybe a better option would be to consider having it related to the square footage of a home or the size/percentage of each wall space. In Sorenson opinion this is limiting the view corridor in Stanley and the benefits of solar heat.

**ORIGINAL IN RED**

Councilmember Clegg thanked everyone for their feedback.

Mayor Botti adjourns the public hearing at 5:32 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting is called to order by Mayor Botti at 5:32 p.m.

Roll call was taken again and all councilmember were still present.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

none

**MAYOR COMMENTS:**

1. COVID-19 situation, we are under a new public health order in Custer County by Eastern Idaho Public Health District. Botti reads parts of the public health order. Large events whether private or public seems to be where all the new cases are coming from.
2. The Bonspiel has been cancelled for this winter January 2021.
3. Stanley to Redfish Lake Trail was due to be completed by the end of September, unfortunately, the trail worked was stopped right before the completions was to take place. It is approximately 95% complete.
4. Pioneer Park: we are working with our engineers to come up with a grant proposal with the State of Idaho to construct an official ice rink with refrigeration and possibly a roof (we have been trying to get this project underway for a few years now). The passage of the Great America outdoors act increased the possibility of funds for cities. The deadline to apply is January 29, 2020. We will try and get something done by then.
5. Comprehensive Plan, we are very close to completing our draft document, so we are hoping to have a public hearing soon.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Council President Gadwa announces that a new Personnel Policy was passed out to the councilmembers. She would like to discuss or possibly vote on this policy at the next council meeting.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

none

**COVID-19 UPDATE:**

Amy Klingler as Botti mentioned Eastern Idaho has concerns with the area and have restricted large gatherings. Orders are in effect until rescinded by the health department. There are 11 active cases in Custer County today. She recommends everyone get a flu shot. Antibody testing has shown that it doesn't protect you long term if you've already had the virus.

**COUNCIL ACTION ITEM LIST:**

none

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

August 31, 2020 Special Meeting and September 10, 2020 Council Meeting. Payment approval report – unpaid and prepaid bills for September/October. Council President Gadwa stated in the last council meeting she had noted a change which is in the minutes, but she

would like it to be specified on what the exact change was. Council President Gadwa moves to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Clegg seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT:**

The City Council is in receipt of the written reports for August & September from the Custer County Sheriff's office. The Council acknowledges the report.

**COMMUNITY BUILDING:**

Custer County is requesting use of the Community Building with all fees waived for the General Election on November 3, 2020. Council President Gadwa moves to approve the request, requesting that they use local Stanley residents to help with the election. Councilmember Clegg seconds. All approve. Motion passes. Council President Gadwa would like the expenses for the community building to be watched, but realizes it is up due to COVID-19.

**PIONEER PARK:**

The park is still open due to the continued nice weather.

**STREET AND ROADS:**

Mayor Botti informed the City Council that he will be meeting with Stanley Construction to discuss the annual Winter Streets and Roads contract for 20-2021. There were no objections.

**AD HOC COMMITTEES:**

Cemetery: none

Code Review: none

Sawtooth Interpretive & Historical Association: Both facilities are closed and done for the winter.

Groomer: none

Chamber of Commerce: Eddie stated that everything is clear on her end with no updates.

**BUILDING PERMITS/CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL:**

Building Permit #953 – Jeffrey D. Fisher – Tract 08-38 Stanley Annex – New Construction: Botti points out this property is in residential C, it shows the railing is a steel picket guard rail, there is metal siding right below the railing and the roof color is grey metal. George Nedelea stated that the fascia will be rusted metal and the steel rail will not be reflective metal or shiny. Council President Gadwa moves to approve building permit #953 with the understanding that the roof, railing and fascia will be non-reflective metal. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approve. Motion passes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

none

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Request to adopt General Use Regulations Title 17 – Zoning Ordinance: Botti updated everyone: 6 or 7 months ago we started this process, many people in the community did not like the untraditional construction styles that they have started seeing in the community. Even though the existing ordinance gives guidelines for rustic and western, unfortunately, it is still not clear enough. This ordinance was intended to preserve the ambience of the Sawtooth Valley and the rural ranching environment rather than something that is more modernistic. Of course, that is in the eye of the beholder.


Councilmember Gadwa considering most of the comments are on windows and shed roofs, perhaps Steen suggestions and C.J. suggestions should be considered. We have had many complaints about shed roofs, and it would be good to stop those now if this is what the public wants. Cron thinks there were great points made from the public input and feels the ordinance is good in spirit but does not feel this ordinance can guarantee rustic and western. He also does not feel that the windows should be regulated within the ordinance. Clegg thinks we all agree Stanley is a cherished spot, he likes the building permit deadlines and the fees, he likes the skyline provisions as well, the windows and flat shed roofs need work. Botti whatever the residence want to see within the ordinance that is what the ordinance should reflect, if we do not want to try to achieve the rustic and western ambience any more than we need to start by changing the Comprehensive Plan too. Clegg and Cron feel we need to keep working on this ordinance or possibly have another work session. Therefore, no further action was taken.

**CITY CLERK REPORT:**

The City Clerk wanted to remind everyone that on November 1, 2020, the office hours will be from 9:30 to 5:00 Monday through Thursday. This month the city clerk will be working on completing all the quarterly reports and closing out the end of our fiscal year.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Botti adjourns the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

  
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Steve Botti, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Cari Tassano, City Clerk

