

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
WALLACE, IDAHO
February 24, 2020

Mayor Mogensen called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. in the council chamber.

Roll Call: Council members present: Dave DeRoos; Elmer Mattila; Heather Branstetter; Rick Shaffer; Michele Bisconer and Dean Cooper.

Flag Salute

Business:

Approve/Reject S&L's bid for the pool renovation project (Action Item) – Mayor Mogensen stated the City received two bids for the pool, one from Nature's Landscaping and the other from S&L. Nature's Landscaping's bid was non conforming, so the only official bid was from S&L for \$818,260. At the February 20th council meeting, the council acknowledged S&L as the low bidder and asked Jim Roletto, city engineer, to discuss value engineering with S&L. Mayor Mogensen read the letter submitted by S&L identifying what items could be removed from the bid. If the items stated in the letter were removed, the project price would be reduced to \$743,223. Mayor Mogensen stated that legally the City cannot accept the bid without the funding. Discussion held. Council member Mattila asked how much money the City has for this project. The clerk/treasurer responded approximately \$175,000 which does not include pending grants, donations etc. Council member Branstetter asked if that includes the grant match from Innovia. The clerk stated it did not. Further discussion held on the Innovia grant match, other funding options and deadline to reject the bid. Council member Branstetter stated it would not be responsible to say yes to the bid. Council member Cooper stated based on the bids received the City has a target number. Council member Bisconer discussed raising funds based on the bids received and then rebidding the project once the City raised the funds. Mayor Mogensen stated it would be nice to have more bidders. Discussion held on pool companies in the area and using other materials to fix the pool besides concrete. Council member Cooper made a motion to reject the bid based on lack of funds. Seconded by council member Branstetter. Roll Call Vote. DeRoos Aye; Mattila Aye; Branstetter Aye; Shaffer Aye, Bisconer Aye; and Cooper Aye. Carried.

Discuss funding options, e.g. bond, grants, use of UDAG account, loan, donations, etc. and timeframe for the pool renovation project (Action Item) – Council member Mattila asked Julie Magnuson if the Friends of the Pool had any success with their letter writing campaign. Ms. Magnuson replied that they had and she is setting up meetings with other donors. Council member Branstetter thinks the City should ask the citizens if they would fund a bond. Discussion held regarding getting the pool project on the May ballot. Chrysa Malone asked if the bond would just be Wallace residents and Council member Cooper said yes. Discussion held on how to structure the bond and what majority it would need to pass. Council member Cooper made a motion that the City pursue a bond and get recommendations from legal. Seconded by council member Bisconer. Discussion held on deadlines for the bond, what amount the citizens would pay and better advertising of the next bid. Roll Call Vote. DeRoos Aye; Mattila Aye; Branstetter Aye; Shaffer Aye, Bisconer Aye; and Cooper Aye. Carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, Council member Cooper made the motion to adjourn at 4:35 p.m. Seconded by Council member Shaffer. All Ayes. Carried.



Lynn Mogensen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kristina Larson
City Clerk/Treasurer