

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
WALLACE, IDAHO  
March 13, 2024

Mayor Mogensen called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the council chamber.

**Roll Call:** Council members present: Rich Matrisciano, Elmer Mattila, Cindy Lien, Rick Shaffer, Michele Bisconer and Dean Cooper.

**Flag Salute**

**Consent Agenda**

Council member Shaffer made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2024 meeting, accounts payable for February in the amount of \$97,085.11, transfers and the advanced payroll March. Seconded by council member Lien. All in favor. Carried.

**Reports**

**Mayor:**

Rene from EPA addressed the council regarding job training.

**Sheriff:**

Council member Shaffer read the Sheriff's report submitted by Sheriff Lindsey stating that during the month of February 2024 the Shoshone County Sheriff's Department was dispatched to 124 calls for service within the city of Wallace. A report was attached. Council member Lien made the motion to approve the Sheriff's report as submitted and read. Seconded by Council member Bisconer. All in favor. Carried.

**Fire:**

Council member Cooper read the Fire report submitted by Fire Chief John Miller stating that Shoshone County Fire District One personnel responded 12 times for medical emergencies and 1 fire response in Wallace February 2024. Council member Shaffer made the motion to approve the Fire report as submitted and read. Seconded by Council member Bisconer. All in favor. Carried.

**Street:**

Council member Shaffer stated the streets crew has been hauling snow out of town.

**Finance:**

Council member Matrisciano read the Finance report submitted stating that the General fund has \$1,318,461.22; Street \$-1,304.68; Library \$-13,708.24; Parks & Rec. \$12,047.16; Insurance \$-136,304.68; Sewer \$237,841.70; USDA \$50.00 for a total of \$1,537,082.48. Savings \$34,174.38, Mt. West CD \$205,863.01, Wallace Inn UDAG CD \$200,846.10 Council member Bisconer made a motion to approve the Finance report as submitted and read. Seconded by Council member Shaffer. All in favor. Carried.

**Library:**

Council member Mattila stated the door to the basement needs replaced by the contractor that fixed it.

**Parks and Recreation:**

Moanna, the new pool manager, attend the job fair and finished some life guard training.

**Consider street closure request for Ursidae Cornhole/July 21<sup>st</sup> - Kris Morrison (*Action Item*)** - The event will now be held on Cedar St. between 5th and 6th St. Council member Cooper made a motion to

approve the street closure for Urisade Cornhole on July 20th. Seconded by council member Matrisciano. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.

**Consider street closure request for Depot Days/May 11<sup>th</sup> - (*Action Item*) –**

Kathy Harper represented the Depot Foundation. She stated the layout for the event will be the same as in years past. Council member Lien made a motion to approve Depot Days For May 11th. Seconded by council member Shaffer. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.

**Consider street closure request for Blues Fest July 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> – Alex Cook(*Action Item*)**

Alex Cook addressed the council. The road closure has been changed to the same layout as past years. There will be plenty of toilets and garbage set up. The alleys will be open. There will be nothing under the freeway. Thursday the shows will be in the local bars. Council member Lien made a motion to approve the Wallace Blues Fest street closure from 6:00 on July 11th to 2:00 AM on July 14th. Seconded by council member Lien. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.

**Diagonal parking in front of Elks – Scott Birkbeck(*Action Item*)**

Scott Birkbeck addressed the council. He requested year-round diagonal parking between 6th St. and the mailbox by the post office. Council member Matrisciano stated he was concerned with the crosswalk right there. Discussion held. Council member Mattila made a motion to approve year-round parking for this season, and re-evaluate next session. Seconded by Matrisciano. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.

**Discuss draft of noise ordinance(*Action Item*)**

It was moved by council member Matrisciano that the noise ordinance would be placed on next month agenda for a public hearing. Seconded by council member Shaffer. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.

**Discuss draft of business license ordinance(*Action Item*)**

It was moved that the business license would be tabled until next month and council could provide feedback until March 28th. Seconded by council member Shaffer. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye

**Discuss draft of STR ordinance(*Action Item*)**

Discussion on the lodging ordinance was moved to next month. Feedback to the clerk by March 28th. Seconded by Lien. All in Favor. Carried.

**Consider entering into a contract with JUB for revisions to the Comprehensive Plan – (*Action Item*)**

Alison Tompkins and Hannah Anderson from JUB addressed the council. They have met with the Planning and Zoning commission on various occasions to discuss revision to the city's comprehensive plan. The estimated price is \$90,000. Discussion held on splitting the cost over two fiscal years and looking into additional funding. Council member Cooper made a motion to table for a month to look into funding opportunities. Seconded by council member Bisconer. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.

**Silver Valley SAUSA for Drug Trafficking – Ben Allen (Action Item)**

This is a chance to create a coalition with multiple counties to move drug cases out of local courts and into the federal system. Discussion held on cost. Council member Cooper made a motion for the city to join the co-op and provide \$2,000 per year to the cause. Seconded by Matrisciano. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.

**HPC Coop – Michele Bisconer (Action Item)**

Council member Bisconer attended a meeting with the HPC Coop. The city contributes about \$4,500 a year for use of a vacuum truck. Over the past two years, the city has only used the truck twice. Discussion held regarding pros and cons of being involved in the co-op. It was decided that at the next meeting council member Bisconer would give notice that Wallace will exit the coop at the end of the contract. Seconded by Matrisciano. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye.


**Discuss transfer of funds from US Bank to a CD at Mountain West Bank - (Action Item)**

The clerk stated she would like to take \$300,000 from the US Bank account and put it into a CD at Mountain West Bank. Council member Lien made a motion to allow the opening of a CD with a 6-8 month term with Kristina Larson, clerk; Lynn Mogensen, Mayor; and Michele Bisconer, council president as signers. Seconded by Cooper. Roll Call. Matrisciano Aye; Mattila Aye; Lien Aye; Shaffer Aye; Bisconer Aye and Cooper Aye

Council member Cooper made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by council member Bisconer. All in Favor. Carried.

  
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Lynn Mogensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Kristina Larson  
City Clerk/Treasurer