

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
WALLACE, IDAHO
April 19, 2023

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

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

Flag Salute

Business:

Discuss State/Local Agreement for 6th St. Bridge - (*Action Item*) – Jim Roletto, city engineer was present. Jim stated the design part of the bridge is finished, so now the City is entering the construction phase. In the construction phase, the City is required to pay its entire portion up front, which is 7.34% of the total overall cost of the project. The State and Local Agreement/6th Street bridge requires the City to pay \$373,162. East Shoshone Water District chose the option of having the contractor under the 6th St. Bridge do that work. The water district has to pay \$135,860 to the City for their portion of the project. This amount has to be paid directly to the City. Council member Cooper stated there is a discrepancy between what the City's contract says the water district owes and what the local agreement states. Mr. Roletto said all the numbers are based on estimates, and the market has changed so the numbers have changed. Council member Cooper asked if this has been communicated to the water district and Mr. Roletto stated it has. The City also has \$100,000 for this project from LHTAC, so the City's portion is about \$137,000. However, at some point the City can sell the temporary bridge to help offset the cost. Shoshone County may be interested in purchasing the bridge from the City, but the City needs the temp bridge for the construction portion of the project. Further comments made on selling the temporary bridge. Mr. Roletto also stated that if the bid comes in at 10% over the estimated cost, it will be awarded. If it's over the 10% the City can not accept the bid. Discussion held on the risks of stopping a project. Mr. Roletto stated the City will pay \$62,000 out-of-pocket and could pay \$24,000 more if the bid comes in higher. Matt Hall, co-owner of HMH, stated the bidding market is only going to get worse. The longer the City waits won't result in things getting cheaper. Mr. Roletto stated we should move forward when we have the \$100,000 from LHTAC and the water district's portion. Further discussion. LHTAC will not give the \$100,000 to the City. They will give the \$100,000 directly to the project. The council would like the water district to pay their portion to the City before the City pays their portion to the State. The clerk asked where the City's funds will come from. Discussion held on taking the money from UDAG versus the savings project. It was decided it would come from the savings account. The clerk then stated that the payout for the project and the selling of the bridge will be in different fiscal years. The clerk stated when the bridge is sold the City could put that money back into savings, and at the next budget year/hearing figure out how to pay back any deficit. Discussion held on the Canyon Creek project. Ben Allen, city attorney, stated the City has the executed Utility Adjustment Agreement and an amendment to the contract could be done. Council member Cooper made a motion to give East Shoshone Water District an amendment with the updated information and pursue their payment in advance in the amount of \$135,860. Seconded by council member Branstetter. Roll Call. Elmer Mattila, Aye; Heather Branstetter, Aye; and Dean Cooper, Aye. Carried. Council member Cooper made a motion authorizing Lynn to sign the agreement with LHTAC and allowing funds to come out of the savings account for this contingent upon the East Shoshone Water District's amendment being executed so the City can proceed with the 6th St. Bridge project. Seconded by council member Branstetter. Roll Call. Elmer Mattila, Aye; Heather Branstetter, Aye; and Dean Cooper, Aye. Carried.

Catering Permit for the Metals Bar- (*Action Item*) – Katie Watterson, owner of the Metals Bar was present. Council member Branstetter stated she is a board member for the Bernard Stockbridge Museum


but does not profit from the organization. The Metals Bar would like to serve wine and beer at the annual opening of the Bernard Stockbridge from 2:00 to 5:00 on May 7th. Council member Branstetter made a motion to approve the alcohol catering permit for the Bernard Stockbridge Museum opening event. Seconded by council member Cooper. Roll Call. Elmer Mattila, Aye; Heather Branstetter, Aye; and Dean Cooper, Aye. Carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, Council member Branstetter made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council member Mattila. All in favor.



Lynn Mogensen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kristina Larson, City Clerk/Treasurer