



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
February 6th, 2023**

MAYOR GEIGER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Geiger, Councilmember McNearney, Councilmember Mitton, Councilmember Larkin

ALSO, PRESENT: City Clerk Peterson, Chief Cornelius, Parks & Community Dev. Director Brubaker, Attorney Marshall, City Engineer Tadic

ABSENT: Councilmember Thompson, Planning Director Miller, City Engineer Shaw

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND/OR DISCLOSURES:

AMEND AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT AGENDA:

1) Approve Bills \$196,253.20.

2) Surplus – 2005 Toshiba Laptop

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember McNearney/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. Councilmember Thompson Absent. Councilmember McNearney, Councilmember Mitton, and Councilmember Larkin Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES

MAYOR:

- Mayor Geiger
 - Out of Town February 8th – February 22nd, 2023.

CLERK:

- 2023 Insurance Discussion
 - Regence Increased 5.2%
 - Delta Dental
 - Option 1 vs Option 2.
 - Discussion on different plans for dependents.
- City Clerk Peterson stated she sent 102 & 104 letters.

POLICE

- Chief Cornelius gave Patrol Unit and Staff updates.

STREET/PUBLIC WORKS:

- City Engineer Tadic gave project update.
 - Field of Dreams
 - Turf bids to be opened February 7th, 2023.
 - Site packages to be ready next week.
 - Building, Structural, Electrical, Foundation, Utilities, Bathroom building plans etc.
 - Local Contractor on board
 - Triangle Drainage Project
 - Wink will start as soon as possible.

PLANNING, PARKS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

- **ACTION ITEM** City Hall Remodel Bid Acceptance – Gardner Construction

Discussion Amongst Mayor Geiger and Councilmembers.

- Flooring
- Cabinets
- Electrical/Lights

Motion to Approve Bid to Gardner Construction.

Councilmember McNearney/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. Councilmember Thompson Absent. Councilmember McNearney, Councilmember Mitton, and Councilmember Larkin Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

- Parks & Community Development Director Brubaker gave Project Update.
 - Black Rock Clean-up Grant.
 - Contractor will start sampling soil before the water raises.
 - Blue Cross Awarded
 - Awarded \$30,000.00 for Comprehensive Plan
- **ACTION ITEM** Field of Dreams Financing (Scratched/No New Information)

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:

- **ACTION ITEM** Ordinance No. 167, An Ordinance of the City of Ponderay, Bonner County, Idaho, providing for the Amendment of City Code Title 8, Chapter 1, Section 6, (PCC 8-1-6) street specifications; and providing for the publication and the effective date hereof.
 - Mayor Geiger entertained a motion that the rules be suspended, and the proposed Ordinance pass its first reading by Title only.

Councilmember Larkin motioned that the rules be suspended and that the proposed Ordinance pass its first reading by Title only and its second and third readings under suspension of the rules and further that the Ordinance be adopted.

Councilmember Larkin/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. Councilmember Thompson Absent. Councilmember Larkin, Councilmember Mitton, and Councilmember McNearney Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

- **ACTION ITEM** Ordinance No. 168, An Ordinance Granting Avista Corporation, d/b/a Avista Utilities, a Washington Corporation, its successors and assigns, the nonexclusive right, privilege, authority and franchise to locate, construct, install, own, maintain, repair, replace, extend, operate and use facilities in, upon, over, under, along, and across the franchise area for purposes of the transmission, control, sale and distribution of electricity and gas within the city.

Presentation by Parks & Community Dev. Director Brubaker.

- Discussion amongst Mayor Geiger, Councilmembers, Attorney Marshall, and Parks & Community Dev. Director Brubaker.
 - Mayor Geiger entertained a motion that the rules be suspended, and the proposed Ordinance pass its first reading by Title only.

Councilmember McNearney motioned that the rules be suspended and that the proposed Ordinance pass its first reading by Title only and its second and third readings under suspension of the rules and further that the Ordinance be adopted.

Councilmember Larkin/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. Councilmember Thompson Absent. Councilmember Larkin, Councilmember Mitton, and Councilmember McNearney Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilmember Mitton/McNearney
Meeting Adjourned 6:08 p.m.

City Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Peterson

Mayor Steve Geiger