

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
 COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN HOME, ELMORE COUNTY, IDAHO,
 HELD ON MAY 14th, 2024, AT 5:00 P.M.
 AT MOUNTAIN HOME CITY HALL CHAMBERS
 MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO

- 22089 CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ESTABLISH A QUORUM
- 22089 PRESENTATION
 - 1. Presentation Michah Brackett shares information on the RU recovery program at Bible Baptist Church.
- 22089 RECOGNIZING PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE
- 22089 CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION
 - Has any Council Member received information pertaining to, or otherwise had any contact with any person regarding any items on this City Council agenda? If so, please set forth the nature of the contact.
- 22089 CONSENT AGENDA - All matters listed within this Consent Agenda section require formal Council action, but are typically routine or not of great controversy and will be enacted by one motion. Questions for the purpose of clarification may be asked about a particular item before the motion is voted on. However, for lengthy discussion or separate motion a Council member or citizen may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda section and placed on the Regular Agenda. ALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS LISTED BELOW ARE ACTION ITEMS.
 - A. Approval/Acceptance of Minutes
 - Regular City Council - April 23, 2024
 - Special City Council - May 2, 2024
 - B. Bills - 4/24/24 to 5/14/24 in the Amount of \$395,565.14
 - C. Payroll for the period ending 3/22/2024 to 4/21/2024 in the amount of \$725,470.76
 - D. Approve the appointment of Carolotta McCarthy to the Library Board, filling the remaining term of Jake Aplin, which will expire in February 2028.
 - E. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Idaho Transportation Department and the City.
 (**Pulled by Staff from Consent Agenda**)
 - F. Approve the Access to Education Partnership with Park University.
 - G. Approve the Public Works Department's request for North 6th East Street Reconstruction and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.
 - H. Pass Resolution #13-2024R to approve the destruction of surplus property and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.
 - I. Approve the request to terminate the agreement between the City and Billing Documents Solutions as the utility billing online service provider.
 - J. Approve the customer agreement and biller agreement with Invoice Cloud to be the online service provider for city utility billing and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all required documents.
 - K. Approve Freer Fields Final plat.
- 22090 OLD BUSINESS
 - 1) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision to approve Grant Application 2023/24-022 request to allow the Fiber Department to apply for the BEAD Idaho State Broadband Program and authorize the Grant Administrator to complete all grant documents and the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all required documents.
 - 2) Non-Action Item: Deliberation regarding the Golf Course Concession Agreement with Kurly's 2 Sports Grill LLC is set to terminate on September 30, 2024. (Item continued from March 12, 2024)
 - 3) Non-Action Item: Update regarding the Rimrock School

- District (SD#365) High School golf team and the Desert Canyon Golf course usage.
 4) Action Item: Set a date to discuss the Airport Hangar Land Lease cost per square footage.

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NEW BUSINESS

- 5) Items removed from Consent Agenda
 6) Action Item: Discussion/Decision to amend Resolution 12-2024R on disallowing political campaign activity in/on city-owned buildings/property.
 7) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision regarding purchasing equipment for the Golf Course restaurant.
 8) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision to have staff obtain a quote to separate utility services at the Golf Course Clubhouse.
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FINAL COMMENTS

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ADJOURN

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The Council of the City of Mountain Home, Elmore County, Idaho, met at the Mountain Home City Hall Chambers, 160 South 3rd East, Mountain Home, Idaho on May 14th, 2024. A quorum was established with, Councilman Harjo, Councilman Brennan, Councilwoman Wirkkala, Councilwoman Garvey and Mayor Sykes being present.

PRESENTATION - Pastor Micah Brackett shares information on the RU recovery program at Bible Baptist Church.

Michah Brackett gave a presentation to the Council about the RU Recovery Program at the Bible Baptist Church.

RECOGNIZING PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Brandon McCarthy spoke to the Council about livestreaming all City Council Meetings, including Special City Council Meetings.

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- The entire Council said they had contact with Ted Thompson about the Airport Hangar Lease.

- Councilwoman Wirkkala said she spoke with a resident in regard to number six on New Business.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Tiffany Belt, City Clerk said staff would like to pull Item E and make a change through interlineation to Item J from legal to adjust the agreement from 5 years to 2 years with renewable terms and either party may terminate for cause. Also, in paragraph four it should say as required by law.

Councilman Brennan told Carlotta McCarthy he read her resume for the Library Board and was comfortable with her joining the board.

The rest of the Council echoed those sentiments.

Councilman Brennan asked about the bids for the 6th street project.

Councilwoman Garvey made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as printed pulling Item E and making changes to Item J through interlineation the changes from legal. Councilman Brennan seconded the motion.

The following vote was recorded:

Councilman Brennan	AYE
Councilwoman Garvey	AYE
Councilwoman Wirkkala	AYE
Councilman Harjo	AYE

The vote being unanimous, the motion was carried and so ordered.

OLD BUSINESS

1)Action Item: Deliberation/Decision to approve Grant Application 2023/24-022 request to allow the Fiber Department to apply for the BEAD Idaho State Broadband Program and authorize the Grant Administrator to complete all grant documents and the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all required documents.

Councilwoman Wirkkala asked about the budget for the BEAD Grant.

Tiffany Belt, City Clerk said grants can be awarded as less than requested and then the City curtails their expenses accordingly.

Councilwoman Garvey made a motion to approve Grant Application 2023/24-022 request to allow the Fiber Department to apply for the BEAD Council Minutes - May 14th, 2024

Idaho State Broadband Program and authorize the Grant Administrator to complete all grant documents and the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all required documents. Councilman Harjo seconded the motion.

The following vote was recorded:

Councilman Brennan	AYE
Councilwoman Garvey	AYE
Councilwoman Wirkkala	AYE
Councilman Harjo	AYE

The vote being unanimous, the motion was carried and so ordered.

2)Non Action Item: Deliberation regarding the Golf Course Concession Agreement with Kurly's 2 Sprots Grill LLC is set to terminate on September 30, 2024.

Councilwoman Garvey said the Kearby's that own Kurly's 2 were not able to be present tonight and she asked if it would be possible to table the item until they could be present for the topic.

Councilman Harjo said he would like to discuss the item tonight as the business of the city is separate from the Concessionaire on this topic.

Councilman Brennan said he would like to have a discussion on what Councilman Harjo has put into this item so far.

Councilman Harjo gave an overview on the details he has found about the Golf Course Agreement.

Councilman Brennan touched on the background checks for the subcontractors.

Paul Fitzer, City Attorney explained the parameters the city would need to look at when reviewing employees of subcontractors.

The Council discussed the costs for the city associated with the concessionaire contract.

The Council agreed to table this item until the meeting on 5/28/2024.

3)Non-Acton Item: Update regarding the Rimrock School District (SD#365) High School golf team and the Desert Canyon Golf course usage.

Tiffany Belt, City Clerk said after speaking with the principal and athletic director for Rimrock they will work on an agreement for the 2025 golf season with District #365.

4)Action Item: Set a date to discuss the Airport Hangar Land Lease cost per square footage.

Tiffany Belt, City Clerk said she would like to set a meeting between the City Council, JUB Engineers and designees from the FAA.

The Council agreed to have a meeting scheduled for this item.

NEW BUSINESS

5)Items removed from the Consent Agenda

There were no items removed from the consent agenda to be discussed at this meeting.

6)Action Item: Deliberation/Decision to amend Resolution 12-2024R on disallowing political campaign activity in/on city-owned buildings/property.

The Council discussed how they would like to amend the resolution to be most effective and nonrestrictive to residents.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to amend Resolution #12-2024R stating when city personnel using time or city resources are used in political campaign activity prior written approval of the City Council is required and number two on the original resolution be removed. Councilwoman Wirkkala seconded the motion.

Councilman Harjo said if one of these entities comes to the city to use the space because we have the right resources for broadcast then you can still ask for approval. The original purpose of this had been to not use city resources for this purpose. He felt this leaves the door open to possibly needing a fee schedule.

The following vote was recorded:

Councilman Brennan	AYE
Councilwoman Garvey	AYE
Councilwoman Wirkkala	AYE
Councilman Harjo	NAY

The majority of the vote being in favor, the motion was carried and so ordered.

7)Action Item: Deliberation/Decision regarding purchasing equipment for the Golf Course restaurant.

Councilman Harjo said the Council has an obligation by the current contract and an expectation to repair, maintain and replace equipment as necessary.

Councilman Harjo made a motion to approve the purchase of a keg cooler for the Golf Course Restaurant. Councilwoman Wirkkala seconded the motion.

The following vote was recorded:

Councilman Brennan	AYE
Councilwoman Garvey	AYE
Councilwoman Wirkkala	AYE
Councilman Harjo	AYE

The vote being unanimous, the motion was carried and so ordered.

8)Action item: Deliberation/Decision to have staff obtain a quote to separate utility services at the Golf Course Clubhouse.

The Council discussed getting bids for the work to separate utility services at the Golf Course Clubhouse.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to have staff obtain as many quotes as possible to separate the utility services at the Golf Course Clubhouse with a due date of the quotes by the close of business on June 11th, 2024. Councilman Harjo seconded the motion.

The following vote was recorded:

Councilman Brennan	AYE
Councilwoman Garvey	NAY
Councilwoman Wirkkala	AYE
Councilman Harjo	AYE

The majority of the vote being in favor, the motion was carried and so ordered.

Councilwoman Garvey said her NAY vote was because she felt it was being made too complicated by separating out services when utilities could be figured out and added to rent.

9) Non-Action Item: Deliberation on the proposed Master Transportation Plan. (Item presented to City Council on February 27, 2024)

Councilman Harjo said the Council was supposed to bring back responses to the City Clerk by last week and because he had not remembered in time he would like to see this item continued to a later date.

It was decided to bring this item back to the next City Council meeting on May 28, 2024.

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Councilman Harjo said he would like to build a security box to keep customers from reaching behind the range ball machine, he said he was willing to donate his time to this if the city would purchase materials.

Councilwoman Wirkkala wanted to bring up parking cars on city property and asked if it was allowed to have cars with political signs at El Rancho Parking lot.

Paul Fitzer, City Attorney said it was allowed because the car is the central protected area.

Councilman Brennan said he has a rhetorical question for those who question the transparency of the City Government, because to his knowledge Elmore County does not live stream any of their meetings, but equally has the duty to represent the citizens.

Mayor Sykes said Mountain Home's dedication to transparency extends to the depth of the minutes transcribed and the normal procedure is to also livestream City Council meetings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1) Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206(1)(b) - to consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent.

Councilman Harjo made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206(1) (b) and (f). Councilman Brennan seconded the motion.

The following vote was recorded:

Councilman Brennan	AYE
Councilwoman Garvey	AYE
Councilwoman Wirkkala	AYE
Councilman Harjo	AYE

The vote being unanimous, the motion was carried and so ordered.

The Council went into executive session at 6:58 p.m.

The Council came out of executive session at 7:35 p.m.

2) Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206(1)(f) - to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramification of and legal options for pending litigation or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

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Councilman Harjo	AYE

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ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M. by orders from Mayor Sykes.



 Rich Sykes, Mayor

ATTEST: 

 Tiffany Belt, City Clerk

