

City of Wendell
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2022

Mayor Rebecca Vipperman called the regular meeting of the Wendell City Council to order at 7:00 PM. Council members present were Council President BJ Marshall and Councilman Shaun Spencer; Councilman Juan Gonzales and Councilman John Gnesa. City Attorney Tim Stover was also present.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Councilwoman Marshall made a motion to approve the November 3, 2022, regular council meeting minutes as amended. **Councilman Spencer** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilman Spencer- Aye, Councilman Gonzales- Aye** and **Councilman Gnesa- Aye**; motion passed.

BILLS

Councilman Gnesa made a motion to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$9706.93. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall- Aye, Councilman Spencer-Aye, Councilman Gonzales- Aye** and **Councilman Gnesa- Aye**; motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS (discussion/action items)

Balanced Rock- New Rates for Current Plan and Plan Options 2023

Due to the weather, Balanced Rock representatives were unable to attend the meeting. Rescheduled for December 15, 2022.

MV Auction House Vacate Alley Discussion

Tabled

Annexation of South Frontage Road Discussion

This item was discussed in concert with the new Valley Wide location city water access item.

Valley Wide- City Water Access

The Feasibility Study will help the city look at this in more detail as well as any annexations that might be considered at a later date. The areas discussed are in close proximity to one another. After some discussion, **Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to do a Feasibility Study with J. U. B. not to exceed \$10,000. **Councilman Gnesa** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall- Aye, Councilman Spencer-Aye, Councilman Gonzales- Aye** and **Councilman Gnesa- Aye**; motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (discussion/action items)

This was presented by **Councilman Spencer**. To recap, the City and the School District have been working on a cooperative project to turn the corner across from El Tapatio into a Flag Plaza. A final design has been drawn up and agreed on by both parties. After discussion, **Councilwoman Marshall** made a motion to accept the tentative plan for a cooperative park, contingent on the School Board accepting and approving the use of the property and committing to providing maintenance and additional furniture. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall- Aye, Councilman Spencer-Aye, Councilman Gonzales- Aye** and **Councilman Gnesa- Aye**; motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COUNCIL

Councilwoman Marshall stated that although Idaho State Code was followed in regard to publication to let the public know about the Public Hearing held recently, she wondered if there were more steps that the city could take to get that information to the community. Social media is used by more and more people every day. **Councilman Gnesa** expressed the same thoughts on it. **Councilman Spencer** agreed that better communication is always a good idea. **City Attorney Tim Stover** cautioned the council about social media and recommended adhering to Idaho State Code requirements to avoid potential issues.

Councilman Spencer stated Christmas Caroling and Christmas Cookies will be at the High School on December 10, 2022.

Councilwoman Marshall stated that the Wendell Rural Fire Department

Potato & Chili Feed at the Portuguese Hall was also on December 10, 2022. She stated that there was plenty of time to go to the Potato and Chili Feed and then go to the High School for Caroling and Cookies.

Councilman Gnesa stated that the High School Choir would be having their Christmas Concert on December 12, 2022, at 7PM.

MAYOR

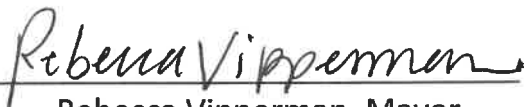
Mayor Vipperman stated that the options for the new park would be available for the public to vote on starting January 6, 2023 including in person locations. She stated that the city is working on an application to become a Tree USA member. She also praised the staff for their great work.

Adjourn

Councilman Gnesa made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Wendell City Council at 8:32 PM. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Motion passed.



Karri French, City Clerk/Treasurer



Rebecca Vipperman, Mayor