

Potlatch City Council Meeting

City Hall 195 6th Street – Potlatch, ID 83855

October 14, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the City Council was presided over by Mayor David Brown. Council members present: Dave Cada, Marty Anderson, Darrell Bostic. Also present: Harmony Nowack, Clerk-Treasurer. Absent: Jennifer Anderson

Guests: Tom Lamar

Cody Brigham - Absent

REGULAR MEETING - *Call to order*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION PRAYER – *Darrell Bostic*

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Being regularly considered by the City Council, these items will be enacted by one motion unless requested by a City Council member that one or more items be removed for separate discussion: Minutes from September 23, 2024, City Council meeting, City of Potlatch bills and payroll.

David Cada made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Darrell Bostic seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a Roll Call vote:

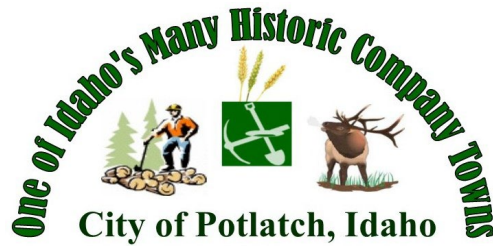
Dave Cada, yes

Marty Anderson, yes

Darrell Bostic, yes

2. LATAH COUNTY COMMISSIONER - HOUSING

County Commissioner, Tom Lamar presented the county's concern with the lack of affordable housing. State law allows counties to form a Housing Authority. The housing authority can form as a joint entity with the county and cities. Moscow has shown their interest and the commissioners have been working to bring the idea to all the cities in order to form a board with representation from all over Latah County. The Housing Authority would not be eligible for tax money but could get grants and private donations to do a



variety of projects within the cities including building houses. They would like to see cities donate land for the housing authority. Mayor Brown asked what “affordable housing” was. Tom said it is housing that is affordable for the people looking for the housing. Often referred to as “workforce housing” or the workforce of jobs in the area needing housing. Idaho defines “safe and sanitary” as a requisite which is why they are wanting to work with cities with infrastructure already in place.

Informational. No action taken.

3. CODY BRIGHAM – EVENTS FOR POTLATCH DAYS

Absent

No motion was made.

4. RESOLUTION #2024-10-14 – BUILDING CODES

Mayor Brown introduced and read the title to Resolution 2024-10-14 regarding changes to the building codes.

Marty Anderson motioned to formally adopt Resolution 2024-10-14, David Cada seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a Roll Call vote:

Dave Cada, yes

Marty Anderson, yes

Darrell Bostic, yes

5. MCKINSTRY QUOTE

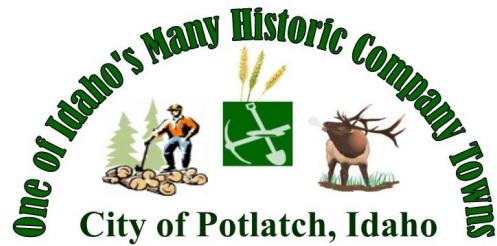
Mayor Brown read the McKinstry quote for twice yearly boiler service with an annual fee of \$3978.00. There was a brief discussion on the importance of having regular service to prevent the complications we have had with the boiler in the past.

Marty Anderson motioned to accept the quote for twice yearly maintenance, Darrell Bostic seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a Roll Call vote:

Dave Cada, yes

Marty Anderson, yes

Darrell Bostic, yes



6. RV PARK GRANT

Mayor Brown attended the Idaho State Parks and Recreation grant funding training on the October 9th. He would like the city to put in a grant for the RV Park for new tables at each RV site and a new building that would serve as a reception area. The reception area could sell light breakfast/snack items and also house a small convenience store. The old office building would become a laundromat for the campers. Mayor Brown would also like to see the dump station enclosed and add an air compressor. The grant requires a 5% match which would come out of RV funds.

Informational. No action taken.

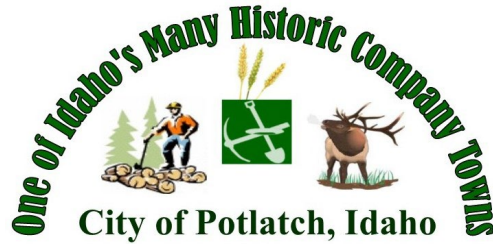
7. PURCHASE ORDERS

Mayor Brown would like to start a purchase order system started for all purchases. Clerk-Treasurer Harmony and Mayor Brown will be the only credit card holders. Harmony will be in charged with issuing P.O.s to staff as needed. Large purchases would require Mayor/Council approval.

Darrell Bostic motioned to start a purchase order system, Marty Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

1. **Parks – Jennifer Anderson**– Absent
2. **Pool & Cemetery – Darrell Bostic** – The slide has been wrapped and the pool winterized. The pump was pulled and is out for repair.
3. **Water & Sewer – Dave Cada** – Dave continues his research on weather modification. He said planes were seen above the storm clouds of hurricanes Helen and Milton, making it rain more. Mainstream media is now talking about using lasers to change the weather.
4. **Streets – Marty Anderson** – Marty plans to take a look at the street sweeper to make sure its working correctly.
5. **Scenic 6 – David Cada** – No report



6. **Mayor – David Brown** – Kurtis from IRWA will be coming to do a walk through of the water and wastewater systems with staff. Lion’s club has expanded on their ideas for the Potlatch Community Center (formerly the VFW building) with the idea of adding a bar in the back room. Mayor Brown wants Council to be thinking about what they want to see with that building prior to Dan Hernandez, Lion’s Club President meeting with Council at an upcoming meeting. Darrell stated that he feels the building should stay a community center.

7. **Clerk – Harmony Nowack** – The City has received a Source Water Protection Grant from DEQ for Phase 2 of improvements at the Ridge Well. Harmony distributed hard copies of the year end 2023 Audit and reminded Council that if they had any questions Presnell Gage would be happy to come out and review the audit with them. Child Pedestrian Safety grant designs are due tomorrow, yet we have not heard back from the contractor for designs. Harmony will contact Ken at LHTAC tomorrow to see what we can do. In 2031 ITD will be paving Highway 6 through town and would be willing to work with us at that time to place sidewalks going up 6th street on the south side.

Public Comment: Matt Taylor asked for a copy of the information Tom Lamar brought with him. He has concerns on what a housing authority might do and how it would affect the city.

Martin Anderson made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting, Darrell Bostic seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21p.m.

_____ David L. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____ Harmony Nowack, City Clerk-Treasurer

The next City Council meeting will be Monday, October 28, 2024.