

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF DRIGGS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 2016**

Pursuant to adjournment of the City Council meeting held January 19, 2016, and the call of the Mayor, the Driggs City Council met **Tuesday, February 2, 2016**, at 6:30 p.m. A roll call was taken and present were Council Members: Greer Jones, Jay Mazalewski, August Christensen, and Wade Kaufman; Mayor Hyrum Johnson, City Attorney Stephen Zollinger, Building and Grants Technician Annie Decker, Financial Officer Carol Lenz, Community Development Director Doug Self, Public Works Director Jared Gunderson, and City Clerk Kreslyn Schuehler. Council Member Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Claims from January 20 – February 2, 2016

New Alcohol and Catering Licenses

Seniors West of the Tetons Valentines Dinner

Council Member August Christensen made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Greer Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Mayor Johnson asked Council to contact staff directly with any questions regarding the staff department updates that were provided.

REQUEST TO SPONSOR SUICIDE PREVENTION ACTION NETWORK SIGN AT NE CORNER OF HOWARD AND MAIN

Mr. Self stated a request had been made for the City of Driggs to sponsor a sign at the corner of Main and Howard for the Suicide Prevention Action Network. Since then, the property owner had stated a tenant will occupy the space in the future so the location will not be at the proposed location. Mr. Self suggested the Council approve the sign for a different location to be determined in the future.

Myra Kerr, with SPAN Idaho, spoke to the Council. She stated the organization was trying hard to reduce the suicide rate in Teton County by promoting the crisis hotline number.

Council Member Jones made a motion to sponsor the sign proposed by the Suicide Prevention Action Network-Teton Valley and thereby exempt the sign from the city's permit requirement at a location yet to be determined. Council Member Kaufman seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE #366-16: VACATION OF THE FALCON CREEK WATER EASEMENT

Annie Decker stated after further research she recommended moving forward with the vacation. The water line was not located in the shown water easement within lots 17, 23 and 24. She further stated where the water line current is, a canal easement covers it.

Council Member Kaufman made a motion to waive the rules for Ordinance #366-16. Council Member Mazalewski seconded the motion. A roll-call vote was taken: Council Member Jones, aye; Council Member Mazalewski, aye; Council Member Christensen, aye; Council Member Kaufman, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Kaufman made a motion to approve Ordinance #366-16, vacating a portion of the water easement recorded on the Falcon Creek Final Plat, running through Lots 17, 23, and 24 and consider it third read. Council Member Mazalewski seconded the motion. A roll-call vote was taken: Council Member Jones, aye; Council Member Mazalewski, aye; Council Member Christensen, aye; Council Member Kaufman, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE #368-16: ESTABLISHING CITY COUNCIL MEETING TIMES

Mayor Johnson informed the Council that the proposed ordinance changed the Council meeting times from 7:30pm to 6:30pm.

Council Member Jones made a motion to waive the rules of Ordinance #368-16. Council Member Mazalewski seconded the motion. A roll-call vote was taken: Council Member Jones, aye; Council Member Mazalewski, aye; Council Member Christensen, aye; Council Member Kaufman, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve Ordinance #368-16 establishing meeting dates and times for Driggs City Council and establishing official communications outlets for the City of Driggs and consider it third read. Council Member Mazalewski seconded the motion. A roll-call vote was taken: Council Member Jones, aye; Council Member Mazalewski, aye; Council Member Christensen, aye; Council Member Kaufman, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

JULY 4TH EVENT PLANNING

Council Member Christensen questioned if Mr. Self had discussed planning with any other groups. He stated he spoke to those with the Balloon Rally and they may have a few balloons at the event.

Council Member Christensen suggested receiving comments from the community and further stated the city needed to be consistent from year to year with whatever was decided.

Council Member Mazalewski stated he would like to see a firework show and did not necessarily feel a performance and other events should be tied to it. He further stated he would like to get information from the Teton Valley Business Development Center as to the amount of people that come into the valley during the holiday.

Mr. Self stated he would gather more information and bring ideas back to the Council at a future meeting.

SURPLUS DECLARATION

Council Member Christensen made a motion to declare items surplus and authorize the sale at the labeled prices. Council Member Jones seconded the motion. A roll-call vote was taken: Council Member Jones, aye; Council Member Mazalewski, aye; Council Member Christensen, aye; Council Member Kaufman, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

WATER PROJECT BOND PROPOSAL

Mayor Johnson stated The Development Company had been authorized to solicit proposals from banks for interim financing for the water project.

Ken Poulsen, from The Development Company, presented information to the Council. He stated three out of four bids were received with rates very similar. He further explained the information provided to the Council regarding the bids.

Bank of Commerce had a term of 24 months with an interest rate of 2.13% fixed, loan fees of \$1,000 and APR of 2.14%.

Council Member Mazalewski made a motion to accept the proposal from the Bank of Commerce for interim financing for the water project. Council Member Kaufman seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIASONS

The Council discussed committee liaisons and determined Council Member Mazalewski would be assigned to the Airport Board, Council Member Jones to the Urban Renewal Agency, Council Member Christensen to the Parks and Recreation Committee and School Board and Council Member Kaufman to the Tree and Beautification Committee and School Board.

WORK SESSION: BEST PRACTICES POLICY DRAFT

After a minor discussion, the Council decided to seek public comment on the Best Practices Policy.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Jones made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Kaufman seconded the above motion. The motion passed with all in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

ATTEST:

Kreslyn Schuehler, City Clerk

Mayor Hyrum Johnson