

**Star City Council
Meeting Minutes
July 21, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Star City Council was held on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Star City Hall, 10769 W. State Street in Star, Idaho. Mayor Trevor Chadwick called the meeting to order and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Councilmen David Hershey, Michael Keyes, Kevin Nielsen and Councilwoman Jennifer Salmonsens were present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Keyes moved to approve the agenda. Hershey seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Keyes moved to approve the agenda. Hershey seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION: Presentation by Ada County Deputy Prosecutor, Rob Bleazard. Bleazard outlined the services and benefits they provide. He highlighted one of the increasingly important benefits of having a Prosecutor available day or night to Law Enforcement Officers. With the Prosecutor being available at any time, they can walk the Law Enforcement Officer through the process of obtaining a warrant and help them to make an immediate arrest, especially in cases such as domestic violence crimes and DUIs. The Mayor asked if there had been an uptick in the amount of domestic violence due to COVID and Bleazard replied that since we are still in the middle of it, it will be hard to know until a few months have passed and they have processed the backlog of cases.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

- A. PUBLIC HEARING – Sample Property. Tabled to July 28, 2020.
- B. PUBLIC HEARING – Whitener Property. Tabled to July 28, 2020.
- C. PUBLIC HEARING – Les Schwab. Tabled to July 28, 2020.
- D. PUBLIC HEARING – Les Schwab. Tabled to July 28, 2020.

Hershey moved to table the Public Hearings. Nielsen seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

- E. Ordinance 310, Amended Unified Development Code. Hershey moved to dispense with the rules to be able to approve the ordinance after reading once by title only. Keyes seconded the motion. Roll call. All ayes. Keyes moved to approve Ordinance 310. Hershey seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.
- F. Resolution 20-04 Declaring Star a Second Amendment Sanctuary City. Keyes said he was inspired to draft this resolution due to current events in the country and expressed the importance of the City taking a position for citizens' rights to self-defense and in supporting the police. Keyes moved to adopt the resolution. Hershey seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
- G. Bid Documents for 960 Main. The bid date for the Star Community building remodel is scheduled for August 6, 2020. The Mayor talked about the benefits for the city and mentioned that Park Impact Fee money is paying for this remodel. For any citizen who wants to look at the plans, they are available at City Hall. Salmonsens expressed concern about the timeframe for the bid. Keller Associates Engineer, Ryan Morgan replied that will it be 10 business days, or 2 full weeks, which is the minimum requirement by the State. The Mayor said they are going to have 3 Add Alternates for the project: painting the attached garage, adding a 500-gallon tank for gas, and new kitchen millwork. An Alternate 4 would be running electrical conduit. Salmonsens asked if the bid could include the option to make the parking lot paved, rather than gravel, to make it more accessible and ADA compliant. Keyes confirmed that it was okay to pave due to the floodplain. Keyes

moved to approve the Bid Documents with the addition of the option to pave the parking lot. Nielsen seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Jake Vogt, Star Chief of Police – Vogt gave a real-world example of what the Prosecutor was speaking of earlier regarding the on-call prosecutor and the need for an arrest warrant for certain misdemeanor crimes. He gave an example of a domestic violence dispute in the parking lot of Bi-Mart. They contacted the Middleton Police who were able to spot the vehicle, detain the suspect and were able to get medical treatment to the injured person. Because it was not committed in the presence of the officer, they were able to contact the prosecutor who assisted with a telephonic arrest warrant so the Star Deputy could make an arrest in any county. Vogt expressed appreciation to the Council and citizens for their support, especially with recent events. Vogt talked about the River Walk and the trash issues. They have increased patrols and is working with the Sheriff's Inmate Labor Detail to help with the cleanup. The Mayor said that he will be working with our maintenance crew to put more trash cans out. Vogt gave an update on the Officer who was recently shot. His potential for recovery is good and there is an ongoing investigation. He mentioned that many citizens have wanted to offer donations, so they have set up funds with their Employee Association and the FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) and have been directing people to those two funds. Nielsen mentioned the Chief becoming part of the Idaho Sheriff's Association.

Hershey – Most of his committees have been pushed back but he is still doing the Outreach and he mentioned the Saturday Market Cornhole Tournament.

Keyes – The Transportation Committee has been active and one of the committee members attended the first Capital Improvements Advisory Committee meeting. The City is waiting to get results from the Traffic Impact Study along State Street.

Salmonsens – Her committee meetings have been getting back to normal. She mentioned a backlog in Emission Testing. Reported that the City Hall After Hours event went well. She worked the Outreach for Hershey while he was on vacation and found it to be rewarding and encouraged others to volunteer.

Nielsen – His committees are not active at this time. He expressed his support of the Sanctuary City Resolution and pride in the work the City is doing.

The Mayor – Thanked everyone who participated in and attended the 4th of July celebration. Mentioned that August 4, 2020 is the budget hearing for the 20-21 Budget year. It will be limited to 50 people but will be online as well. Reported that the City applied for a Federal Grant to put fiber down at Hunters Creek and 960 Main. He expressed the importance of having Internet access for the students who have been having difficulty getting online to study. The Mayor also expressed his support of The Constitution and the Second Amendment and our Police. There are several businesses coming to Star and others who are still looking at coming, despite the economy. He met with the Mayors of Eagle and Middleton to adjust the impact area and worked on getting an Impact Area Agreement to extend further into Eagle.

Adjournment: The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Approved:



Trevor A. Chadwick, The Mayor

Respectfully submitted:



Meredith Hudson, Deputy City Clerk