

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING 01-27-2021**  
**KAMIAH CITY HALL**  
**KAMIAH, IDAHO 6:00 PM**

**Guests:** See sign in sheet (attached)

**Council Present:** Dan Millward (President), Stephen Rowe, Genese Simler,

Mayor Heater called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

**Prayer:** Mayor Betty Heater

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda (Action):** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Councilmember Stephen Rowe and seconded by Councilmember Genese Simler. Roll call vote: Genese Simler aye, Dan Millward aye, Stephen Rowe aye.

**Approve Consent Agenda Items (Action):** Motion to approve the listed items below on the consent agenda was made by Council President Dan Millward and seconded by Councilmember Stephen Rowe. Roll call vote: Genese Simler aye, Dan Millward aye, Stephen Rowe aye.

- A. Approve Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting 01-13-21 (ACTION)
- B. Approve Alcohol License for Kamiah Hotel Bar & Grill (ACTION)
- C. Approve Alcohol License for The Hub Bar & Grill (ACTION)
- D. Approve Alcohol License for Atkinson Distributing (ACTION)

**Discussion/Action Items:**

- A. **Discuss/ Approve Purchasing Options from Brady for City Supplies – (ACTION) – Janet Brennan-** Janet Brennan from Brady Industries introduced herself and provided the Mayor and council with packets on the services they provide as well as products available that can be purchased in bulk through state contracts for better savings. Janet stated she would like to meet with city managers to discuss needed supplies. Motion to approve purchasing options with Brady Industries for City of Kamiah supplies was made by Councilmember Stephen Rowe and seconded by Council President Dan Millward. Roll call vote: Genese Simler aye, Dan Millward aye, Stephen Rowe aye.
- B. **Discuss Resolution for implementation of Kamiah being a 2A Sanctuary city (ACTION) Stephen Rowe –** Councilmember Stephen Rowe stated he has been doing research on sanctuary cities in the State of Idaho and had requested Clerk Dyche to draft up a resolution for the mayor and fellow councilmembers to review regarding protecting the second amendment rights of the citizens of Kamiah. The mayor and council requested Clerk Dyche to forward the drafted resolution to the city attorney as well as Zack Paul with

Lewis County for review. Motion to approve Clerk Dyche to forward the drafted resolution to Matt Jessup and Zack Paul was made by Councilmember Genese Simler and seconded by Council President Dan Millward. Roll call vote: Genese Simler aye, Dan Millward aye, Stephen Rowe aye.

- C. Update on Citizen's Information Meeting – Chief Arsenault –** Chief Arsenault provided an update to the mayor and council on the first Citizen's Information Meeting that was held last week with 7 attendees. He stated the citizens reviewed changes within the Fire Station, past and current operational practices of the EMS as well as a full financial review. He stated he has provided the mayor and council with the documentation that was discussed, and they can find that in their packets. He stated the next meetings are scheduled for February 3<sup>rd</sup>, February 17<sup>th</sup>, and March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.
- D. Update on the Fire Department – Chief Arsenault –** Chief Arsenault stated he will be putting in for a new ambulance and will be placing the older one at another location to assist with rural transports. He stated he will have a new vendor coming to demo a new ambulance next week. He reviewed the response times from the previous protocols to current. He stated the average out the door response time was 8 minutes 44 seconds 80% of the time in 2017. He stated the average out the door response times was 8 minutes and 34 seconds 71% of the time in 2018. He stated in 2019, 61% of the time the average out the door time was 18 minutes and 65 seconds. He stated the average out of service time was 85 minutes from the call to back into service. He stated upon his arrival to the City of Kamiah and changing operational practices, the ambulance is out the door under 2 minutes 76% of time, and the ambulance back in service has decreased to 44 minutes. He stated these changes are assisting with both the emotional and psychological needs of the community. He stated the ambulance has responded to 460 calls in the past year and he is unsure of the fire calls as the data is not available at this time. He stated working with the District, they have located some grant funds and will be purchasing new turnouts for the firefighters, however; the Fire Department will not qualify this year for the grant for new air packs. He stated the training trailer has been a successful tool, running 33 people through it in 2 days. He stated the repel tower will be here March 1, 2021. He stated he will be working with Clerk Dyche to get a workshop scheduled with the District and City Council to discuss apparatus equipment.
- E. Update on Maintenance Department – Mayor Betty Heater –** Mayor Heater stated the maintenance report has been included in their packets for their review. She stated she will be contacting Dodd regarding the status of the Bryan Drive Booster Station grant. She stated there is a home on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Extension that was built over a city water line and the city will need to look at easements and possibly changing the water main as this could cause potential issues in the future. Council President Dan Millward stated there is another situation like this over on Ash Street. Chief Arsenault stated he has been communicating with maintenance regarding water distribution and hydrants. He stated there are 12 hydrants that are unusable due the

placement of the hydrant. He stated there are hydrants in alley ways as well 12 of them that have sunk. Chief Arsenault stated he is looking into what it will cost to get these hydrants functional. Chief stated they will be working with maintenance to get hydrants flushed in the community.

- F. **Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206(1) based on the following statutory disclosure requirements (ACTION)- (a)(b) consider personnel matters** – Motion to move into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206(1) based on the following statutory disclosure requirements (a)(b) consider personnel matters was made by Councilmember Stephen Rowe and seconded by Councilmember Genese Simler at 6:52 pm. Roll call vote: Genese Simler aye, Dan Millward aye, Stephen Rowe aye.

Re-entered Regular City Council Meeting at 7:03 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

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Betty Heater, Mayor

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Stephanie Dyche, City Clerk