

**MINUTES OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR & COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO
July 9th, 2024**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of Rupert, Idaho on the ninth day of July, 2024 in the Council Chambers located inside City Hall at 624 F Street, Rupert, Idaho at the hour of 7:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Tammy Jones
Councilmembers Present: Faux, Wardle, Heward
Councilmembers Absent: Thompson
City Administrator Kelly Anthon (absent)
City Clerk Bayley Maughan
City Attorney Lance Stevenson

Visitors: David Joyce, Phillip Garcia, Leslie Garner (Employees)
Rob Crumwell, Kimberly Garcia, Travis Turner (Visitors)

Mayor Jones welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Everyone stood for the Pledge.

Travis Turner gave invocation.

Mayor Jones called for any addenda to the agenda and there were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items: A. & B. Approval of the Bills, Payroll & Minutes

Councilman Heward made a motion to approve the bills, payroll and the minutes of the June 25th, 2024 regular council meeting. Councilman Wardle seconded and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Item: A. Update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project

Rob Crumwell, with Forsgren Engineering, went over the current status of the treatment plant with the improvements that have been made so far. There was no action taken.

Item: B. Discussion & Possible Ratification of the Appointment of Rick Nay to the Historic Preservation Commission

Mayor Jones stated that she would like to appoint Rick Nay to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Councilwoman Faux made a motion to ratify the appointment of Rick Nay to the Historic Preservation Commission. Councilman Wardle seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward, Councilman Wardle

Nays: None

Councilman Thompson was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: C. Discussion & Possible Approval to Waive Fees for the Operation Christmas Child Event on the Square

City Clerk, Bayley Maughan, explained that the representatives from the Operation Christmas Child Event had been at the last meeting and gone over the details of their event. They had been in communication with City staff and there were no concerns.

Councilwoman Faux made a motion to waive the fees and provide the requested park services for the Operation Christmas Child Event in the Square on September 21st, 2024. Councilman Wardle seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward, Councilman Wardle

Nays: None

Councilman Thompson was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: D. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Neptune Park Master Plan

Mayor Jones explained that the Land Group had recently been in visiting with City staff and had made revisions to the master plans for both Neptune and Lincoln Parks. Everyone was presented with the drawings and details.

Councilman Heward made a motion to approve the Neptune Park Master Plan and to authorize the Mayor to sign the same. Councilwoman Faux seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward, Councilman Wardle

Nays: None

Councilman Thompson was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: E. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Lincoln Park Master Plan

Councilman Heward made a motion to approve the Lincoln Park Master Plan and to authorize the Mayor to sign the same. Councilwoman Faux seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward, Councilman Wardle

Nays: None

Councilman Thompson was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Italy Jensen – Expressed that Minico Highschool was looking to hold their homecoming dance on Fremont Plaza again.

With no further business before the Mayor and Council, Mayor Jones adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM.