



**Twin Falls City
Council Minutes**

Tuesday, February 19, 2019,

5:00 PM City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls,
Idaho

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present: Mayor Shawn Barigar, Council Members Suzanne Hawkins, Chris Talkington, Greg Lanting, Christopher Reid & Ruth Pierce.

Absent: Vice Mayor Nikki Boyd.

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Brian Pike, City Attorney Shayne Nope, Parks & Recreation Director Wendy Davis, Utility Services Supervisor Bill Baxter, CFO Lorie Race, Assistant Finance Director Brent Hyatt, Human Resources Director Gretchen Scott, Economic Development Director Nathan Murray, Chief of Police Craig Kingsbury, Public Information Officer Joshua Palmer, URA Engineer Jesse Schuerman, Desktop Support Analyst Jeremiah Parent, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

Mayor Barigar called the meeting to order at 05:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Barigar introduced Boy Scout Pack 81 and asked them to lead all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) PROCLAMATIONS: None

4) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT: None

5) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

- a) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the Accounts Payable for February 7 thru 13, 2019.
- b) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the February 4, 2019 City Council Minutes.
- c) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the February 11, 2019, City Council Minutes.
- d) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve a Trust Agreement for Rio Vista Subdivision, a ZDA, placing Lots 1 through 20, Block 1; Lots 1 through 5, Block 2; and Lots 1 through 13, Block 3 in trust.

6) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) **PRESENTATION:** Update on Southern Idaho Economic Development.

Connie Stopher Member of Idaho Economic Development made a presentation on the Southern Idaho Economic Development.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Thanked Ms. Stopher for her presentation. Have you thought about expanding down to Hill Air Force Base or other Bases?

Council Member Talkington: Asked about the wage scale in Idaho and how we can bring that up.

Council Member Pierce: Thanked Ms. Stopher for her presentation. Asked about how they are handling business recruitment and retention and how are you handling that area now?

Council Member Hawkins: Thanked Ms. Stopher for her presentation. Asked about their

name change.

Mayor Barigar thanked Ms. Stopher for her presentation.

- b) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the Concession Agreement with Steva LLC to operate and manage Twin Falls Golf Club

Parks & Recreation Director Wendy Davis made a request to approve the Concession Agreement with Steva, LLC to operate and manage Twin Falls Golf Club.

Changes:

Raise the Profit Sharing threshold level 1 from \$75,000.00 to \$90,000.00 which he shares 25%.

Raise the Profit Sharing threshold level 2 from \$100,000.00 to \$120,000.00 which he shares 33%.

Dropping the requirement to have the head greens-man to be a City employee. Steva, LLC will still be required to have a head greens-man.

Lower the floor amount from \$55,000.00 to \$50,000.00 for the subsidy amount.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Pierce: What were the profits for the Golf course last year?

P&R Director Davis: Gross for last year was \$96442 with our 25% profit share amount being \$5,360.00

Council Member Hawkins: Are the cost sharing dollars put back into the Golf Course? Should we choose to lower the subsidy threshold the improvements would not be affected?

Council Member Lanting: Thanked Steva, LLC for their operation of the Golf Course. Are the bathrooms are going to be finished soon?

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Concession Agreement with Steva, LLC to operate and manage Twin Falls Golf Club and authorizes the Mayor to sign the contact.

Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

- c) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to award a contract to Insituform Technologies, LLC for cured in place pipe sewer project in the Downtown alleyways.

Jesse Schuerman, URA Engineer, made a request to award a contract to Insituform Technologies, LLC for cured in place pipe sewer project in the Downtown alleyways.

Bid came in as:

Bid Amount \$222,972.00, which was 34% below the estimate.

15% Contingency

Total: \$256,418.00

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Hawkins: What is the time frame on this project?

Council Member Reid: How will this affect the Downtown Businesses? Will someone be talking to the Businesses prior to the start of the project?

MOTION: Council Member Talkington moved to approve the request to award a contract to Insituform Technologies, LLC for cured in place pipe sewer project in the Downtown alleyways to include the additive bid and contingency. **Council Member Lanting** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

- d) **ACTION ITEM:** Update and possible action on the current state of the recycling program and market, and costs for current City recyclable material processing.
Utility Services Supervisor Bill Baxter presented an update with possible action on the current state of the recycling program and market, and costs for current City recyclable material processing.

Options to be considered:

1. Restriction of items recycled
2. \$ amount for processing
3. Stop Recycling
4. Adjust the utility rates on a regular basis

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Asked about the current costs? What guarantee do you have that the recyclables are not going into another landfill?

Council Member Talkington: Asked about the market within the US for recycling. Talked about the recycling program and would be in favor of restricting the items rather than stopping the program.

Council Member Hawkins: Asked about education of reduction of usage rather than just the recycling.

Council Member Pierce: Talked about the use of plastics for diesel fuels. What are the percentages of the plastics in our recyclables?

City Manager Rothweiler: Explained the action needed to continue with the recycling program.

Council Member Reid: Asked what the rate is projected to be? Would like to wait to see what the market does over the next few months.

Council Member Hawkins: Agreed with Council Member Reid.

Council Member Lanting: Agreed with Council Member Reid.

Mayor Barigar: Clarified the options for the council.

Council Member Reid: Stressed the need for education on recycling.

- e) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to schedule a public hearing to discuss an increase of greater than 5% to the vehicle fee at Shoshone Falls/Dierkes Lake Park.
Wendy Davis Parks & Recreation Director made a request to schedule a public hearing to discuss an increase of greater than 5% to the vehicle fee at Shoshone Falls/Dierkes Lake Park.

Proposed Increase:

Vehicle rate from \$3.00 to \$5.00

All other rates will remain the same for now.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Spoke in favor of holding a public hearing to potentially raise the fee at Shoshone Falls/Dierkes Lake Park.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce moved to approve the request to schedule a public hearing to discuss an increase of greater than 5% to the vehicle fee at Shoshone Falls/Dierkes Lake Park.

Council Member Reid seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

7) GENERAL INPUT/ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paul Thompson, resident of Twin Falls, spoke about Planned Parenthood in Twin Falls.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

9) ADJOURNMENT

- a) § 74-206(1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

MOTION: Council Member Talkington moved to Adjourn to Executive Session 74-206(1)(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 06:11 PM.

Amy Luna

Amy Luna, Administrative Assistant Finance