**City of Allison Regular Council Meeting**

**Monday, March 25th, 2024**

Regular Meeting:

Mayor Henrichs opened the regular meeting of the Allison City Council at 5:30 p.m. The council members present were Bangasser, Galey, Henning, Heuer, Stirling. Also present: Trent Stirling, Coby Bangasser, Chris Graser, Joe Conlon, Zeb Stanbrough, Jeff Kolb, and Bruce Toenjes. Bangasser made a motion to approve the agenda with a second by Heuer. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Open Forum:

Chris Graser gave an update to Council on water shut off’s and let them know that there were 9 residents who would be shut off this month.

City Engineer Zeb Stanbrough let the Council know that there was an issue at the Lagoon with one of the pipes. Boomerang is working on this and will be identifying what will need to be done to fix the issue.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Bangasser with a second by Henning to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approve Minutes from the meeting held on 03/11/2024.

Approve liquor license for J&C.

Approve Building permit for John Renfrow – 720 3rd Street – Prefab Shed.

Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

New Business:

City Attorney Bruce Toenjes came and discussed the economic development options, and the nuisance/abatement process that the city can follow. The economic development program is something that the City can do, and he stressed the importance of ensuring that everything is transparent to help avoid issues. At this time, the Council is working on defining the main goal and then will come up with weighted criteria to help with the application process. A review committee will also be put into place to go through the applications for the program and then the committee will bring suggestions to the Council. He also touched on what can be done with nuisance properties in which his suggestion was to follow through with a municipal infraction if the nuisances are not being taken care of. Bruce will assist the City with the process as properties are identified.

The action to review and approve bids for fixing the roof on the garage by the Sheriff’s office took no action as no bids were received. The Council is going to try reaching out to a couple of contractors to see if there is any interest in the project.

Motion by Bangasser with a second by Stirling to approve Resolution #24-03.3 – Resolution approving the Maximum property Tax Dollars for Budget year July 1, 2024 – June 30th, 2025. Roll call vote: Bangasser: Aye, Galey: Aye, Henning: Aye, Heuer: Aye, Stirling: Aye. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Council was presented with the updated numbers for the budget and reviewed the documents.

Motion by Bangasser with a second by Stirling to approve Resolution #24-03.4 – Resolution setting the date of April 22nd, 2024, at 5:15 p.m. for a public hearing on the budget adoption for FY 2025. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

The action to decide on the economic development plan for local small businesses was tabled so that Council can review the documents addressing the procedures and policies and will be further discussed on April 8th, 2024, at the Council meeting.

The are grants that were identified that can be applied for to help with the cost of a new used fire truck. Jeff Kolb is willing to work with the Fire Department on the grants for this.

City Engineer, Zeb Stanbrough let the Council know that the state responded to their e-mail with information on updating the pool. At this time, the Council is waiting to hear more from Jim on what they are able to do going forward.

City Clerk, Alexis Wiegmann, spoke with Jeff Kolb regarding possible grants that the city could apply for to help with the cost of a new Welcome sign for the community. Jeff provided the name of grants that could be applied for, for this, and will work with Alexis on the process.

The action to discuss housing development was tabled.

Public Works Director, Trent Stirling, is working with Mark Steffes from Blacktop services to get something in place for street repairs.

Adjournment:

Motion by Bangasser with a second by Henning to adjourn at 6:49 p.m. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

Motion carried.

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Scot Henrichs – Mayor

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Attest: Alexis Wiegmann – City Clerk