



CITY OF UCON

JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER

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City Council Highlights – May 8, 2024

John Brasier, Tyrell Maughan, McDonald, Christopher Paolini and 12 citizens were present. Mayor Sturman was excused.

John Brasier called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The council unanimously voted to move the Mayor’s Scholarship award to the first item on the agenda.

MAYOR’S SCHOLARSHIP AWARD – Christopher Paolini awarded the 2024 Mayor’s Scholarship to Brynlee Hudman.

DEBRA HAACKE – BONNEVILLE COUNTY COMMISSIONER CANDIDATE – Debra presented a slide show and encouraged everyone to vote in the upcoming election.

CITIZENS COMMUNITY BANK – Shelyce Luster, manager of the Ammon branch, stated that they could offer lower fees and better interest rates and would welcome the city as a customer. She presented the council with a packet showing the benefits of moving to their bank and answered their questions.

POLICE REPORT – Chief Fullmer was not present as he was attending POST training in Boise.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Scott Norman reported 22 members, 15 attending regular training, and 3 wildland members. 245 training hours; 52 chief hours; 15 hours on 6 fire calls (1 in Ucon; 2 in Ammon – canceled enroute; 3 in Swan Valley – 2 canceled enroute); 2 medical calls. 33 hours maintenance; 0 wildland hours; 345 total hours. He stated that they plan to resume work on the shelter soon. The elementary bike ride will be held on May 15th at 9 A.M. and the second graders will visit the city building on May 23rd at 10 A.M. Radios are working great. He stated that he gave the council incorrect information regarding the 10 percent match on the wildland gear grant. The grant requires the city to pay the \$30,000 and then receive reimbursement for the 90 percent. If the grant is successful, he plans to purchase two more radios which are \$5,000 each and additional wildland gear. The council approved the grant application with the updated terms and pay the \$30,000 from wildland funds.

LANDSCAPE & REC REPORT – Tyrell Maughan stated that the trees will arrive this week. City Cleanup and Arbor Day will be held on May 11th at 9:30 A.M.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Daniel Morgan reported that the sewer pumps were swapped out at the Tower Road lift station; and he has finally found a company that can rebuild the spare pumps. He presented a quote for \$35,000 from Xylem in Boise for the pump rebuild. The council approved the quote for \$35,000 to Xylem

to rebuild the pumps. Daniel stated that they will soon begin cleaning sewer lines west of Yellowstone Highway. The sewer flow devices have been installed and will begin reading once water is in the ditches. The devices will be in for four to six weeks. Work is still being done on the Well 1 control panel. Sprinklers will be turned on next week. He requested and received approval for \$3,500 to replace the shop air compressor

WATER & SEWER SYSTEM REPORT – John Brasier stated that the sewer flow for April was 4.1 million gallons which is in line with previous years.

PLANNING & ZONING – no report.

BMPO REPORT – Christopher Paolini stated that he attended the policy board meeting on March 20th and that the discussion had to do with various projects for which Bonneville County is applying for funding. The highest priority is the sidewalks between Pancheri and Sunnyside. The second priority is funding for the purchase of hybrid vans by Greater Idaho Falls Transit (GIFT). The third priority is the Idaho canal path. The high-capacity road study is on hold again due to the consultant moving to another firm. He stated that nothing was discussed that directly affects Ucon. Another meeting will be held next week.

Lisa Jensen addressed the council regarding her concerns about noise, odors, and increased traffic from the malt plant operating across from her home on 34th East. She requested and received the planning & zoning ordinance and maps.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:56 P.M.

Mayor’s Straight Talk

Now that the primary elections are over it is time to start thinking about the national elections in November. Now more than ever, it is crucial that you do your research and pick the candidate that you feel is best. Remember...your voice counts!

Mayor Sturman

City Meeting Schedule

- **City Council:** 2nd Wed, 7:30 PM.