

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CAREY CITY COUNCIL
March 20, 2023

COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE: Sara Mecham, Alyssa Cenarrusa, Logan Davis, Clayton Mecham.

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Tess Cenarrusa, Kurt Eldredge, Dabny VanHook, Schuyler Thompson and Sidnee Hill.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Mecham.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Councilman Mecham. A moment of silence was observed for Blaine County Commissioner Dick Fosbury.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
4. **APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS-** (Action item on all of the listed consent agenda items
 - a. Minutes pending approval February 22, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting.
 - b. Finance Report
 - i. February 2023 Finance Report.
 - ii. Pay the March 2023 bills.

Mayor Mecham asked about bills that apply to applications, do we pass it along. Tess replied that yes we do. Councilman Davis asked about the bill for Ferguson, what was it for? It is meters for inventory.

Alyssa Cenarrusa made a motion to approve the minutes and to accept the finance report and pay the bills, Clayton Mecham 2nd. Passed. Add executive session to the agenda; after staff reports.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - a. Ordinance 2023-02 Adoption of the Development Impact Fee. *Action item
Mayor Mecham commented that the council has been working on this for a couple of months. It helps with improvements that are needed in the city. Development needs to pay for itself. Mayor Mecham opened the public hearing.
There was no public comment for or against this change. Mayor Mecham closed the public hearing. Mayor Mecham opened it up for council discussion.

There is a concern if we don't have this in place. Several developments are interested in Carey. Council has done their due diligence in looking at the study and coming up

with the fees. Fee will be paid at building permit. Council will look at it a couple of times a year.

Logan Davis made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-02, the Development Impact fee, Alyssa Cenarrusa 2nd.

Roll call vote: Logan-yea, Alyssa-yea, Clayton-yea

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Text My Gov demo and contract. *Action item This could be a tool to help with communicating with the public. The city can come up with questions that would have an auto-reply. It would allow citizens to report an issue. We can text alerts to citizens. It would help to answer questions on nights and weekends. Is it worth it? Who would it reach? We could try it and if it doesn't work, we can cancel it. Maybe put this on the town hall meeting agenda and do an interactive demo with the public.

b. Fee Schedule Resolution 2023-03. *Action item
We are updating the fee schedule to add an extension fee for building permits and to updating the fee for facilities rentals. Add the damage fee to each rental so it is clearer.

Clayton Mecham made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-03 Fee Schedule, Alyssa Cenarrusa 2nd. Passed.

c. Appoint new member to the airport advisory board. *Action item
The airport board would like council to approve Jamie Shaw as the new board member. Jamie has been a member of the community for several years. He is a Blaine County Sheriff Deputy. He is aware of concerns of the airport. He is willing to serve and came to the last board meeting.

Alyssa Cenarrusa made a motion to approve Jamie Shaw as the new airport board advisory member, Logan Davis 2nd. Passed

d. Ordinance 2023-03 Emergency Moratorium Ordinance. *Action item
The reason for this ordinance is to address the concerns about the capacity at the sewer plant. There are concerns about the damage that has been done to the sewer infrastructure. We have addressed all the issues that have been found to date, we don't know what future problems could arise. Our discharge permits only allows to discharge during the winter months. We would have to apply for an emergency discharge permit if the flows continue to increase into the sewer plant. This would give us time to test the sewer infrastructure for further damage. Civil Science the city engineer agrees with this necessary moratorium. Does this moratorium go out of the city water & sewer service area. This will be a blanket moratorium for the city limits. This has not been taken lightly. The moratorium would last for 182 days. It is important for public health. Add the verbiage on 2.3 line 3 from has to may,

2.4 line 1 from addressing to assessing, change 2.6 to The City has been informed that even if further damages are not discovered, new connections may result in the City surpassing current capacity, as such an emergency moratorium on new building and development is the best way to ensure the City maintains its ability to fulfill current and future obligations for providing sewer services, add 2.7 which was 2.6.

Logan Davis made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-03 with the changes, Clayton Mecham 2nd.

Roll call vote: Logan-yea, Alyssa-yea, Clayton-yea

- e. Staff report forms. *Action item
Still working on format.

7. DISCUSSIONS

- a. Physical security of critical infrastructure/Key resources (CI/KR) No documentation received.
- b. Townhall meeting topics. No documentation received.
- c. Question and answer on moratorium. Staff is creating a public service announcement. Who should questions be directed to? Council needs to designate a person to answer questions. Mayor is the designated person.

- 8. CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Chris Corwin wants to be on the agenda in April for the Blaine County Mitigation Plan. Emergency operations for flooding needs to be on the agenda.

9. STAFF REPORTS

City Area of Responsibility
Mayor's report-None
Airport-Josh Pritchard- None
Parks- Schuyler Thompson-None
Planning & Zoning-Sidnee Hill-None
Building Inspector- Kenny Bailey-None
Public Works- Dabny Van Hook/Kurt Eldredge-None
C-9 City Clerk- Tess Cenarrusa-None
Staff reports were included in council packet.

Logan Davis made a motion to go into Executive Session per Idaho code 76-206(1)(f), Clayton Mecham 2nd.

Roll call vote: Logan-yea, Alyssa-yea, Clayton-yea

Went into executive session at 8:42 p.m.

Clayton Mecham made a motion to go out of executive session, Alyssa Cenarrusa 2nd.

Passed. Out of executive session at 9:02 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

Alyssa Cenarrusa made a motion to adjourn, Clayton Mecham 2nd. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.