Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, December 7, 2020, 5:00 PM

City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present:	Mayor Suzanne Hawkins, Vice Mayor Ruth Pierce, Council Member Shawn Barigar (by Phone), Craig Hawkins & Christopher Reid.
Absent:	Council Members Greg Lanting & Nikki Boyd
Staff Present:	City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Shayne Nope, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, Staff Engineer Lee Glaesemann, City Engineer Mark Holtzen, Environmental Engineer Jason Brown, P&Z Director Jonathan Spendlove, Assistant to the City Manager Mandi Thompson, Help Desk Technician Kim Hafer, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

Mayor Hawkins called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hawkins invited all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) PROCLAMATIONS: None

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 5 to 0

a) Request to approve the Wells Fargo Credit Commercial Card for October 2020.
b) Request to approve the Accounts Payable for November 26 thru December 2, 2020.
c) Request to approve the November 30, 2020, City Council Minutes.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

a) Presentation by Joshua W. Kern M.D., Vice President of Medical Affairs, St. Luke's Health System.

Mayor Hawkins reported that Dr. Kern was unavailable tonight, and nothing has changed as per his update.

b) Request to approve Anaerobic Digester Cleaning Service and Condition Inspection.

Environmental Engineer Brown request to approve Anaerobic Digester Cleaning Service & Condition Inspection.

City Manager Rothweiler spoke about this item.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Hawkins: What happens if we take one off-line? Does the other digester need to be looked at as well?
Vice Mayor Pierce: Asked for clarification of the estimate.
Mayor Hawkins: Asked what the estimated life of the digester is.
Council Member Reid: What is the timeline?

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to use wastewater reserve funds to perform the anaerobic digester cleaning and condition inspection for the anaerobic digester at the wastewater treatment plant in the amount estimated at $226,137.00. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 5 to 0

c) Request to award a contract for the Independent Meat Lift Station Project.

Staff Engineer Glaesemann requested to award a contract for the Independent Meat Lift Station Project.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Vice Mayor Pierce: Asked for clarification on the price.
City Manager Rothweiler: Explained how this will work related to the budget.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to award a contract for the Independent Meat Lift Station Project to *PMF, Inc.*, in the amount of $365,197.43 and approve the use of $310,000.00 from reserves of $310,000.00. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 5 to 0

d) Request authorization to allocate up to $65,000 inadditional CARES Act funds to the Twin Falls Small Business Assistance Grant Program.

Assistant to the City Manager Thompson requested Council authorization to allocate up to $65,000.00 in additional CARES Act funds to the Twin Falls Small Business Assistance Grant Program.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Vice Mayor Pierce: Spoke about this process.
Council Member Hawkins: Thanked the committee for their work on this process.
Council Member Barigar: Also thanked the committee for their hard work.
Vice Mayor Pierce: Stated that Twin Falls was the first city in the State

MOTION: Vice Mayor Pierce moved to approve the request for, up to $65,000.00, in additional CARES Act funds to the Twin Falls Small Business Assistance Grant Program. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 5 to 0

e) Presentation by Mosaic Community Planning on the draft Consolidated Plan andAnnual Action Plan being prepared for the City of Twin Falls as a requirement for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement funds.

Assistant to the City Manager Thompson made a presentation on the draft Consolidation Plan and Annual Action Plan being prepared for the City of Twin Falls as a requirement for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement funds.

Discussion ensued on the following:
City Manager Rothweiler: Explained what Staff is asked for.
Council Member Barigar: What is the timeline to finalize this process? Listed out a few priorities he sees and asked for more info on homelessness.
Vice Mayor Pierce: Housing & Homeless side are in need. Would like to tie it with COVID funds as well. What is the timeline for the COVID funds?
Council Member Reid: Thinks that Mental Health is a growing concern, affordable housing is a big issue in our area. Would like to see dollars go toward the infrastructure areas.
Mayor Hawkins: Agreed with Council Member Reid. Would like to be able to reach more people.
Council Member Hawkins: Agrees that this money will not go very far and should look at getting the biggest bang for our buck.

Vice Mayor Pierce: Agrees that this money will not go very far.
Mayor Hawkins: Spoke about the condition of our sidewalks.
Council Member Barigar: Would like more detail from other Cities in Idaho.
City Manager Rothweiler: Cautioned the Council on this process.
Mayor Hawkins: Asked for clarification on awarding dollars to other groups in a partnership way.

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

9) ADJOURNMENT

a) ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION §74-206 (1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student and Executive Session §74- 206(1)(c) To acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency.

b) **MOTION: Vice Mayor Pierce** moved to Adjourn to Executive Session 74206(1)(b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 5to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 06:27 PM

Amy Luna

Amy Luna, Finance Administrative Assistant