

Potlatch City Council Meeting

City Hall – 195 6th Street – Potlatch, ID 83855

October 14, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the City Council was presided over by Mayor David Brown. Council members present: Joan Bender, Charlie Johnson, Dave Cada. Also present: Judi Davis, City Clerk-Treasurer. Absent: Marty Anderson

GUESTS: Scott Winther.

NEW BUSINESS:

Joan Bender said the invocation Prayer.

- 1. CONSENT AGENDA:** *Joan Bender made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda (being regularly considered by the City Council, these items will be enacted by one motion unless requested by a City Council member that one or more items be removed for separate discussion): Minutes from September 23, 2019, City Council meeting, the City of Potlatch and Century 21 bills and payroll.*

Charlie Johnson seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a Roll Call vote:

Charlie Johnson, yes

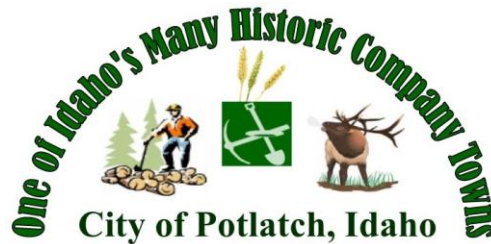
Dave Cada, yes

Martin Anderson, absent

Joan Bender, yes

2. APPROVE PURCHASE OF SNOW BLADE.

Mayor Brown said that it would be a new 9 ft. snow blade priced at \$10,550.00 installed. The snow blade is a straight blade with wings.



Charlie Johnson made a motion to purchase the new snow blade at \$10,550.00 installed; Joan Bender seconded the motion, the Mayor asked for a Roll Call vote:

Charlie Johnson, yes

Dave Cada, absent

Martin Anderson, yes

Joan Bender, yes

3. Purchase of Library Building.

The agreement with the Library Board was to turn the building over to the City after 20 years. The Council looked over the agreement with the Library a few months ago. The City will meet with the Library Board to discuss the details. The agreement with the Library Board details what the City would be responsible for. Mayor Brown said that the City already does the snow plowing for the Library. Dave said that we are the only City around that doesn't own their library.

4. Building Inspector.

The Building Inspector agreement with Rimrock Consulting will end 12/31/19. Rimrock Consulting said that they were too busy to provide Inspection Services. The City of Genesee and City of Potlatch were the only 2 Cities that they were providing inspection services for. There are some benefits going with Latah County to do the inspection services. Latah County Planning Department is always up on all the current codes.

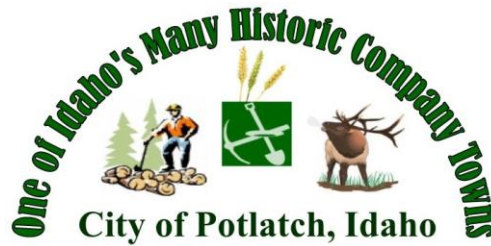
Joan Bender made a motion to go with Latah County Planning Department to do the Inspection Services; Dave Cada seconded the motion, the Mayor asked for a Roll Call vote:

Charlie Johnson, yes

Dave Cada, yes

Martin Anderson, absent

Joan Bender, yes



REPORTS:

- 1. Mayor – David Brown** – ITD road project will put in 70' of 16" pipe by the Cemetery that the City purchased and ITD Contractor will install. That way if Wayne Gallaher ever decides to build and add City water then the City will be ready.

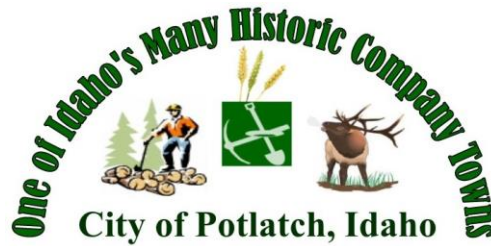
Joan asked about the bike race. Mayor Brown said it was well attended.

Dave asked if the Catch Basin by Napa was installed yet? Mayor Brown said that it was installed and Napa/Spangler was happy with the way it turned out.

Tom Andres will be off for 3 months after his shoulder surgery. The City has received a couple of applications. Waiting to hear from Tom on when he will be returning.

Mayor Brown said that a few years ago he went up to Plummer when they did a Community Assessment. The assessment tells what the City's needs are and they had a pretty good participation. This follows up on 13 Ways to Kill your Community or Make it Thrive. Mayor Brown asked Dave Cada if the Scenic 6 group is doing something like this? Dave said not that he's aware of. He remembers that he went to the same event. At that time, it was decided that the cost was \$2,500 - \$3,000 depending on the size of your community. The Council decided then to spend that money on doing something for the community instead of doing the community assessment. Mayor Brown said that there are a lot of grant opportunities available after having the assessment done. Mayor Brown said that he would like to have a town meeting getting people together to find out what we can improve with the money that the City currently has.

Mayor Brown said that several people have mentioned the condition of Pine Street. He got a quote from Poe and it's \$78,000. It would pave from 6th Street to 4th Street. The other area that he got a quote for was by the elementary school and it was \$48,000. The money for paving by the



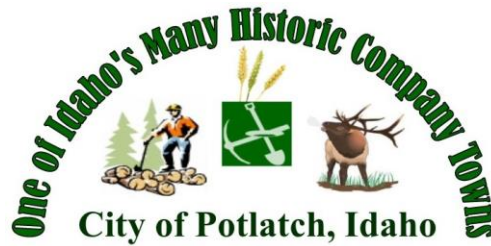
elementary school is in the budget this year. This is something that the Council needs to think about doing.

Mayor Brown said that he attended the Lhtac workshop last week in Plummer. The City would like to apply for more sidewalk projects. 10th Street and Spruce to Elm. The application would need to be submitted by December 2nd. One of the major things that we need to do is have the Transportation Plan needs to be updated. The cost for a new plan is \$50,000 but an update is \$30,000. The City needs to get the Transportation Plan updated so the City can apply for other grants in the future. The cost last year to have the Transportation Plan updated was about \$50,000. One reason the grants that were applied for last year were turned down because we don't have an updated Transportation Plan. The City gets points when we get turned down for the grant. Joan asked if we have to have an Engineer do the update on the Transportation Plan? Mayor Brown said that we do need an Engineering firm do the work.

Joan asked if the Mayor had heard anything about the sidewalk project and if ITD agreed to change the parking along side the highway. Mayor Brown said that he's been in communication with Parametrix but hasn't heard anything.

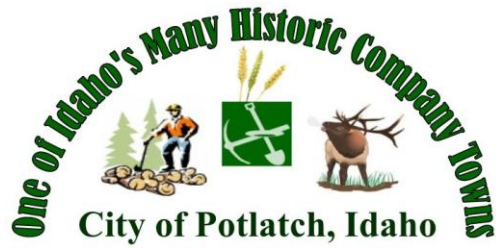
Mayor Brown said that he talked with Glen Barnett and Glen explained that the bridge work that was taking place on the Highway at the Y by the Diner. ITD is taking quite a bit of the right of way out in that area. Glen was hoping that the City could help. The Diner will lose quite of bit of parking, the nursery will lose its entrance and Barnett Roofing will lose quite a bit of frontage.

- 2. Parks – Joan Bender** – Joan said that the pickleball court can't be painted because it's too cold so it's at a standstill. They are playing on the new court with chalk. Dave said he talked with some of the pickleball people just after it rained and said the new court didn't have any puddles on the court so they did a good job pouring the court. Joan said she talked with Karin and she's been helping Brennan when possible. Joan suggested that Karin help pick up yard waste. Mayor Brown said that Karin has



3. been attending a Master Gardener program at the U of I. Maybe there's a program at the U of I Extension office that would work for Karin. Joan said she would look into it. Dave said that the Master Gardener program is a National program and he had a friend that was involved and he would look into what the program was about. It might be a good program to get started here. Joan said there was a discussion some time ago about designating a piece of property for people to garden on. Mayor Brown said that maybe finding an area to have a community garden. Cada said a few years ago that there was a piece of land outside of town that people could garden on.
4. **Pool & Cemetery - Dave Cada** – Dave said that the Pool bathhouse is to cold to paint. We should wait until the spring and rough up the spots and paint. Mayor Brown suggested the winter would be a good time to chip off the paint.
5. **Water & Sewer Charles Johnson** – Nothing at this time.
6. **Streets - Martin Anderson** – Absent
7. **Scenic 6 - David Cada** – Dave said that after he got back from vacation and made a list of why he was glad to be in this area. This is a good place to live. Bring it to the Scenic 6 group and try to get some pamphlets put together to show those places. Mayor Brown said he talked with Kathy LaFortune, Latah County Commissioner and PEP about putting together a list of all the business's/areas for tourist to visit while visiting the City of Potlatch. It would be helpful to have something to hand out to people when they come to stay at the RV Park or visit Potlatch.
8. **Clerk- Judi Davis** – AIC Fall Academy on December 2 at the Red Lion in Lewiston.

Marty Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Charlie Johnson seconded the motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



ATTEST: _____ David L. Brown, Mayor

Judi Davis, City Clerk-Treasurer

The next City Council meeting will be Monday, October 28, 2019.