

Potlatch City Council Meeting

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

August 26, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

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

GUESTS: Joel Emerson, George & Lois Gilbert.

NEW BUSINESS:

Joan Bender said the invocation Prayer.

- 1. CONSENT AGENDA:** *Dave Cada 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 July 22, 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, yes

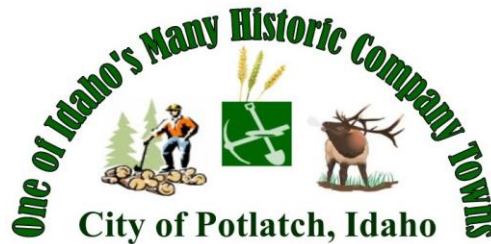
Joan Bender, yes

- 2. ADOPTION AND APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY2019-2020.**

Approval of the Proposed Budget for FY2019-2020 and then have a Resolution to Adopt the Budget at next meeting.

Dave Cada made a motion to Approve the Proposed Budget for FY2019-2020, Charlie Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote:



Charlie Johnson, yes

Dave Cada, yes

Martin Anderson, yes

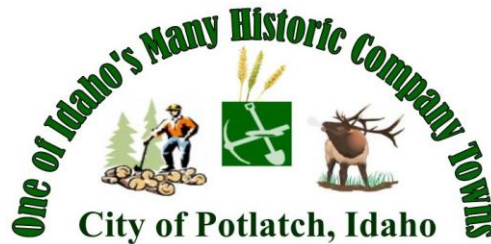
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3. VFW BUILDING – JOEL EMERSON.

Joel Emerson wanted to speak to the Council about the VFW Building here in Potlatch. Joel represents VFW Potlatch Post 10300. The building is located on Pine St. The VFW's can't afford their building and always struggling financial. There aren't enough volunteers to do fund raising any more. When the building was donated to the VRW's it clearly states that they can never sell the building. Joel is inquiring to see if the City would be interested in that building. Currently there is a day care in the building renting a portion of the building. They have been in there for about 2 months and pays \$375.00 a month rent. Joan Bender asked if the rent from the day care pays all the expenses for the month? Joel said that during the summer months it does but it doesn't pay for the heat in winter. There is a Scout group that meets in the building once a month. Dave Cada asked how many members do you have right now? Joel said about 75 but they are all spread out. Dave asked what the overall condition of the building. Joel said that the roof doesn't leak and the building needs a little TLC. VFW meets in the building the second Thursday of the month. In September there will be a VFW meeting and we will have motion to see if the VFW would be interested in donation the building to the City. Mayor Brown said that there is always a need to rent out buildings especially if there is a kitchen in it. Joel said he would make a copy of the deed for the Mayor to take a look at it. Joel said that the VFW's really would like the building to be used for something that would help that community. Mayor Brown suggested that it might be a good place for the afterschool program.

4. NEW ADDRESS – 135 PONDEROSA DR. SOUTH – RON & JACKIE LOVELL.

Mayor said that Ron & Jackie Lovell's new shop needs a new address and he explained how the City came to this new address.



Bender made a motion to approve the new address of 135 Ponderosa Dr. South. Charlie Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote:

Charlie Johnson, yes

Dave Cada, yes

Martin Anderson, yes

Joan Bender, yes

5. TREE DISCUSSION.

Judi Davis said that she received quotes for the trees on 10th and Larch St. by the Hartman's. Received quotes from Lovell's Tree Service and Josh Quade last week. Lovell said that the maple tree has limbs are in the street lights and that trimming would just prolong the inevitable and that the tree should just come down. Lovell also recommends removing the willow tree completely. The cost would be \$3,500.00 to remove both trees. The quote from Josh Quade he said the maple in front is just stressed by aphids and he's seen a lot of maples that have that issue and drought this year. The cost to prune the tree would be \$500.00 and he suggested that Avista could do the trimming since it's in the street lights. Quade said that the willow does need to come down. He said he could prune it for \$1,000.00 but it will eventually need to come down. The cost to remove it would be \$1,442.00 for the willow. Hartman's said that they would be willing to help with the cost. Mayor Brown recommends removing the willow after October. Marty suggested removing the willow and getting Avista to trim the maple.

Joan Bender made a motion to go with the quote from Josh Quade on the removal of the willow in October. Marty Anderson seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a Roll Call vote:

Charlie Johnson, yes

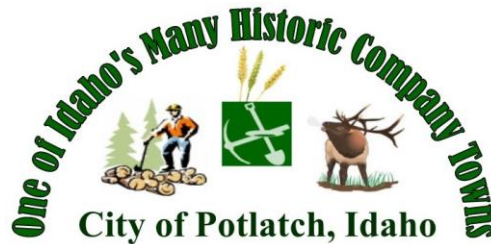
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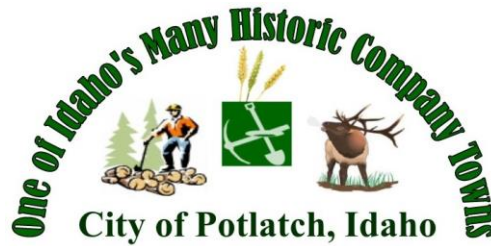
- 1. Mayor – David Brown** – Update on the sidewalk project. There was a final walk through last week. Spangler's have 2 drain tiles coming from the



bank and then under parking lot by the culvert that goes under the highway. When the new sidewalk went in, they had to extend the culvert from under the highway. It ended up an inch above Spangler's drain tile. Mega D came in on the bank drain tile and they leveled it out then put in some dirt and left a lump in it. Curtis Concrete straightened it out and then put some rock in it. Spangler was not happy with the height difference so Mayor Brown called Rim Rock Consulting. They brought in a surveyor and said it was an inch higher. The Mayor suggested putting in a catch basin and T-O Engineers said it was a good idea. Putting a catch basin in would be separate from the sidewalk project. Otherwise it would be another change order and more expense. Waiting to hear back from Curtis Concrete on the price. There was a discussion on whether or not to go to Onaway with the sidewalk. Mayor Brown said that T-O Engineers have to redo the contract to add \$13,726.79. Amanda from LHTAC said that this is common for these projects to have this come up. When the agreements are first put together that they are working off of assumptions. Just like we do with our budgets. Asking approval to sign the new contract for the \$13,726.79. This work is for doing additional inspections on the project. Joan said that they underestimated what it was going to cost for the project. Marty asked if there was any money left on the project and the Mayor said that there wasn't. Mayor said that he needs Council approval on this extra cost. This item will be added on the next Agenda.

Splash pad update is that it's poured and the building is in just waiting for the electrician. The splash pad probably won't be turned on this year.

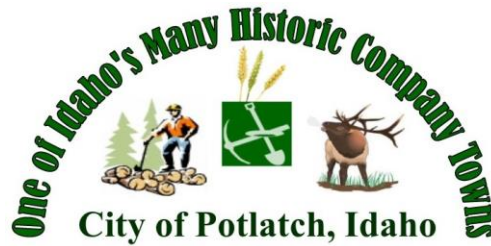
- 2. Parks – Joan Bender** – Joan reported on the construction on the pickleball court. They are starting to form and not sure if they started to pour yet.
- 3. Pool & Cemetery - Dave Cada** – Another pool year behind us and we still need to do the pool bathhouse floor repair. Once the floor is dry the paint fix would adhere. Need to get the paint on before winter happens. It would also be a good idea to spray the ceilings at the same time. Mayor Brown said that the paint in the bathrooms at the RV Park is coming up. He



suggested getting a quote from Schmitt to get a put an epoxy finish on the floor. Maybe a finish like the pickleball courts.

Mayor Brown said that the Boy Scouts are working on the shelter at the pool. Brown said that the Council should be setting the date of the pool opening and closing times. Council needs to make that decision not the employees. That's what we need to do next year.

4. **Water & Sewer Charles Johnson** – Nothing at this time. Mayor Brown said that Tom Moore was here today and they did a seepage test on the ponds. They've been doing it for the past month or so and the ponds are good and not leaking. Marty asked about the land app. Mayor Brown said that EPA is getting stricter on things going into the rivers. We need the data to try to keep ourselves as much as we can out of the river. Brown said he had a long meeting with Tom Moore on the FEMA job on the road. This project is ready to go out for bid. We are going out for bid soon. This is for the lagoon road project.
5. **Streets - Martin Anderson** – Asked about the signs on the splash pad. Judi said she is waiting for proofs from Printcraft. Marty asked about the size of the signs and the location of the signs. Mayor Brown said that there has been \$450.00 received so far for the donation of the sign.
6. **Scenic 6 - David Cada** – Scenic 6 report. The music festival is on the 31st. We also have a bus load of people coming in from Spokane on Sept. 12th taking to them about Potlatch and the history. The breakfast is September 17th at 7:00 am at the school. We are also working on community beautification and wanted to let everyone know that he's located some self-watering pots. Would the City be interested in Scenic 6 purchasing some to place around the City? Mayor Brown said the City would be interested in some. It isn't cost effective to have Karin watering every day. Dave said he would check to see if they could order some for the City.
7. **Clerk- Judi Davis** – Elections in November that the Mayor and two Council positions are up for re-election. If you need any paperwork that I have it.



Marty Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Charlie Johnson seconded the motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

ATTEST: _____ David L. Brown, Mayor

Judi Davis, City Clerk-Treasurer

The next City Council meeting will be Monday, September 9, 2019.