

# CITY OF IDAHO CITY

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## SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday June 15, 2020

9:00 A.M.

City Hall, 511 Main Street, Idaho City, ID 83631

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER-Mayor Canody called meeting to order at 9:00 am

ROLL CALL- Martin, Everhart, Hillyard, Secor all present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Mayor Canody led the Pledge of Allegiance

Tim Farrell and Ed Stowe from Mountain Waterworks were present.

- CITY-ENGINEER CONTRACTS

- *ACTION ITEM: MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT EXECUTION –*

Mayor Canody asked if Tim had received changes from City Attorney Linville. He had not as of yet. Mayor presented the issues with Paragraph 19 and Paragraph 22, inconsistencies. Tim will look at revisions, fix and send back to Attorney Linville. Master Service Agreement Execution is postponed until next City Council meeting on June 24, 2020.

- *ACTION ITEM: TASK ORDER 01 EXECUTION-*

Task Order 01 cannot be signed until Master Service Agreement is signed. Tim explained to council they will be proposing a \$15,000 Task Order to meet with regulatory agencies, DEQ, and contact Pharmer/T-O Engineers to get items released from them that Idaho City has already paid for. Electrical drawings have not been released to Control Engineers from T-O, even though they have been paid for with DEQ public funds. DEQ is a little discouraged right now and enforcing T-O Engineering to release paperwork/engineering designs.

- IMMEDIATE ENGINEERING NEEDS

- 2 EXISTING PRIORITY PROJECTS

- GROUNDWATER WELL AND TREATMENT PROJECT –

Tim asked about supply capacity of wells. Idaho City is limited on water rights. Supply capacity is 160 gallons per minute. Previous engineering reported it would be 240 gpm and that has been found to be incorrect. Tim suggested talking with Idaho Water Bank, leasing water from them to reach the 240 gpm or even more. This would not be a long-term solution and may not be eligible.

Regarding the wells, Secor well-punched in the 1980's to prove that consumable ground water was available and tried to get the city to use it. It is now capped off. Idaho City went with slow sand filtration instead.

Discussion of plant use and wells. Wells can be dry in 2 days running at 150 gpm. There are and have been limitations on using the wells. Ed came up with some ideas and Tim presented those to optimize the wells for now for high demand use.

Mountain Waterworks is coming up with funding plans that will benefit the community. More discussion about funding sources and amounts due to finish water treatment project. DEQ has \$300,000 in all grant money to be used.

Tim asked about the Reverse Osmosis membranes. TONKA will replace membranes when the RO system is up and running. Ed is talking to TONKA to get them working on issues that have been found. Project needs to get up and running. Tim has concerns about heating the building and being able to use year-round. Possible to put a building up if grant funds can be found and the need can be shown.

The wells are a second water source for the city.

Tim thinks the city should be looking at leasing water rights to bring the capacity up above 200 gpm.

- INFILTRATION GALLERY-SLOW SAND FILTER –

Secor stated Idaho City was told this was a shovel ready project and the former engineers had all winter to work on it. Tim stated there are a lot of challenges that will need to be met. Original horizontal 150'-200' collector with

the filter fabric, did anybody evaluate going in and rehabbing that? Secor stated NO. There is a building over the infiltration galleries. Chlorine contact chamber parallels the galleries. 24" contact pipe. Mountain Waterworks feel that is the best design. Discussion of how that design would be best used. Horizontal design would be cost effective. Existing design Pharmer/T-O did could be used. Estimate was \$200,000. \$150,000 is guaranteed and city would need to come up with balance. \$35,000 in engineering has already been spent for those 2 wells. The Horizontal design could cost less. Tim feels that he can get more if Idaho City is willing to wait. He also asked about USDA Block Grants, City has applied in the past.

Clerk Ptak stated that budget season is coming and City needs to know what to plan for in the upcoming budget. Tim talked about strategic plan being the first Task that Mountain Waterworks wants to do. It involves looking at designs and funding and presenting the city with a plan. Clerk Ptak asked for a list of things that we should have, even if it is older. Tim said they have asked for all the drawings, etc. It looks like the electrical drawings from Pharmer/T-O is only thing Idaho City does not have. Those need to come from T-O. Secor would like to know what has been paid for, what is available; Idaho City was told project is shovel-ready and now it sounds like it wasn't.

- IMMEDIATE PROJECT FUNDING –
  - SECURED FUNDING
  - POTENTIAL FUNDING

ECWAG Grant \$150,000 available for shallow wells. Kristina has been talking to USDA, they indicated they do not have all the information to release the funds. If paperwork is not presented by end of month then funds go back to National office and Idaho City would need to reapply. At this time, ECWAG is saying they do not have all the plans approved from USDA. Discussion on whether Pharmer/T-O design on the intakes and get everything in order so money can be secured before it goes back to national office. The money is there no matter what, but the time is short. Intake design has not been completed by DEQ, reviewed by USDA but not sure if Intake Designs been approved. No electrical or control plans, shallow wells have not designed yet. Tim suggests that Idaho City allow money to go back to USDA National office, have their engineers come out and look at designs, and then reapply for the money. It won't get done this year. Secor asked if Idaho City will be sustainable for the year. Public Works Director stated it can be, it will have to be done as it has in the recent years. Tim is going to lobby USDA to bring more money to the table and get 100% grant funding. Clerk Ptak stated the LGIP account could be used if needed for grant matching or additional funding for completion in the amount of \$80,000 safely. Ed stated that looking at a different design and letting the funds go back and reapplying would be the best way. Secor stated if the work can be done in-house, that would be ideal.

#### NO PUBLIC INPUT

ADJOURNMENT Mayor Canody adjourned meeting at 10:15 am.

ATTEST:

Date approved: June 24, 2020

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Nancy L Ptak, City Clerk-Treasurer

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Phillip Canody, Mayor

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