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MIDDLETON CITY COUNCIL MAY 18, 2016

The regular meeting of the Middleton City Council on May 18, 2016 was called to order by Mayor Darin Taylor at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Taylor introduced the following City officials in attendance: City Attorney Chris Yorgason of Yorgason & Associates and Deputy City Clerk Kandice Cotterell.

Roll Call: Council Members Beverlee Furner, Rob Kiser, Carrie Huggins were present and Council President Lenny Riccio was absent. Mayor Taylor declared a quorum of Council Members present, and proceeded with Council business.

Motion: Motion by Council Member Furner to accept the agenda was seconded by Council Member Kiser and carried unanimously.

3) Administrative Action/Consent Agenda:

Motion: Motion by Council Member Kiser to approve the consent agenda was seconded by Council Member Huggins and carried unanimously.

New Business:

4(B) Consider approving donation to Middleton Fireworks Fund.

Mayor Taylor introduced the item and answered Council's questions. Mayor Taylor asked if there was anyone in the audience that would like to speak to this item: none.

Motion: Motion by Council Member Furner to approve a donation from the City to the Middleton Fireworks Fund in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 was seconded by Council Member Kiser and carried unanimously.

4(C) Discussion temporary sign regulations

Mayor Taylor presented the item for discussion and questions.

Council Member Huggins asked for clarification that businesses can put out signs in the morning and take them in at night and Mayor Taylor answered that was correct. Council Member Huggins added that she wants to help small businesses but doesn't want to have signs up all over town.

City Attorney Yorgason suggested that as Council does their yearly review of the City code they might think about what they want the city to look like and where they do not want to see signs.

Mayor Taylor asked if there was anyone in the audience that would like to speak to this item:

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Jennica Reynolds stated that she has a personal connection to two of the signs being discussed tonight. Her daughters dance at Becky's Dance Company and she was told by the owner that it has been difficult for new customers to find her property after the sign that was up for years was taken down. Her husband works for Coleman Homes and stated that foot traffic had decreased in their sales offices after their signs came down. Mayor Taylor replied that the Becky's Dance Company sign was made specifically for the place just prior to it being taken down and that he agreed foot traffic more than likely went down when the Coleman Homes signs came down.

Council Member Kiser added that the term temporary signs covers a wide spectrum of different types of signs and he isn't sure how to keep the city from looking cluttered without punishing small businesses.

Mayor Taylor added that this is not an urgent matter and can add it to a future agenda for more discussion as Council updates the City code. Council agreed.

4(A) Consider approving offer from BKJ Properties LLC to purchase 315 Murphy Ave. for \$25,000

Mayor Taylor introduced the item and answered Council's questions. Mayor Taylor asked if there was anyone in the audience that would like to speak to this item: none.

City Attorney Yorgason informed Council that nothing has changed since the land was previously determined to be surplus property and went to auction previously with not buyer.

Motion: Motion by Council Member Kiser to approve an offer from BKJ Properties to purchase 315 Murphy Ave. for \$25,000 and add authorization for up to \$1,000 for closing costs or additional fees that may not be known at this time was seconded by Council Member Furner and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

7) Department Comments

Deputy City Clerk Cotterell gave an update on the upcoming Battleball event sponsored by the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council.

8) Mayor Comments:

- Status update on intersection and maintenance of roads.
- Proposed sale of land by the Allaires requiring proof of access to Middleton Road.
- Status of the Comprehensive Plan update.

9) Council Comments:

Council Member Huggins informed Mayor and Council that she will be gone June 11 – 16, 2016 that also corresponds with a date that Council President Riccio may be absent, so a quorum may not be present.

Council Member Furner reported on the passage of the permanent fire levy proposed by the Middleton Rural Fire District on the recent election ballot.

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10) Executive Session and Possible Decision(s) to Follow


Motion: Motion by Council Member Furner to open executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1)(c) Land Acquisition and 74-206(1)(f) Pending Litigation was seconded by Council Member Kiser and carried unanimously by roll call vote at 7:50 p.m.

Executive session was closed at 8:30 p.m. and Council took no further action regarding executive session items.

11) Adjourn:

Motion: Motion by Council Member Kiser to adjourn was seconded by Council Member Furner and carried unanimously. Mayor Taylor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kandice Cotterell, Deputy City Clerk
Approved: June 1, 2016





Mayor Darin Taylor