

**MINUTES OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR & COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO
MARCH 14TH, 2023**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of Rupert, Idaho on the fourteenth day of March, 2023, in the Council chambers located inside City Hall at 624 F Street, Rupert, Idaho at the hour of 7:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Michael D. Brown
Councilmembers Present: Faux, Heward, Jones, Thompson
City Clerk Bayley Maughan
City Attorney Lance Stevenson

Visitors: Roger Davis, Suzy Sorensen, Leslie Garner (Employees)
Kit Carney, Sara Rohrbach, Jeff Faux, Sydney Duffin
(Visitors)

Mayor Brown welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilwoman Jones led everyone in the Pledge.

Lance Stevenson gave invocation.

Mayor Brown called for any addenda to the agenda and there were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items: A. & B. Approval of the Bills, Payroll and Minutes

Councilman Heward made a motion to approve the bills, payroll and minutes of the February 28th, 2023 regular council meeting. Councilman Thompson seconded and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Item: A. Annual Presentation from Southern Idaho Tourism

Sara Rohrbach, from Southern Idaho Tourism, came before the Mayor and Council to report on the efforts made to promote tourism in Rupert. There was no action taken.

Item: B. Discussion & Possible Action to Waive Park Fees for the Easter Bunny Event

Kit Carney, from Carney Real Estate, came before the Mayor and Council to ask for the fees to be waived for the public Easter egg hunt his company was hosting on the Square.

Councilman Heward made a motion to waive the fees and provide services for the Easter bunny event on the Square on March, 25th, 2023, excluding electrical fees for any private vendors. Councilwoman Jones seconded and the roll call was as follows: Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None
The motion carried.

Item: C. Discussion & Possible Bid Award for the Chip Seal Projects

Roger Davis, Public Works Director, presented the two bids received for chip seal work throughout Rupert. The low bid was from Kloepfer Concrete in the amount of \$205,836.75. There was general discussion regarding fog sealing some of the alley ways.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to award the chip seal bid to Kloepfer concrete in the amount of \$205,836.75, and to authorize Kelly Anthon and Roger Davis to approve fog seal work if deemed necessary and affordable at the end of the project. Councilwoman Faux seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward,
Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None
The motion carried.

Item: D. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Snake River Seed Property

There was general discussion regarding the current state of the property. There was no action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Heward made a motion to move to Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 to have discussions under subsections (1)(c) and (1)(f). Councilwoman Jones seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward,
Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None
The motion carried.

Executive Session Began: 7:37 PM.

Discussions under subsections (1)(c) and (1)(f).

Open Session Resumed 7:54 PM.

With no further business before the Mayor and Council, Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:58 PM.