

**CITY OF SUMPTER
COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 2021, 4:00pm**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER – 4:00pm
 - a) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - b) MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE –Mayor Lucas, Councilor Wise, Councilor Briscoe, Councilor Demaris and Councilor Leuenberger.
 - c) VISITORS- Toni Thompson, Skip Duffin, Jim Sheller, Rebecca Patterson, Jon Patterson, John Young, Theresa Leuenberger, Kurt Clarke, Mike Manning and Elaine Livran.
- 2) Approve Minutes
 - a) MSP: To accept the September 28, 2021 minutes as presented. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Briscoe. All members present voted to approve.
- 3) Fire Department- Kurt Clarke
 - a) Thank you to the volunteers.
 - b) There were three medical calls and two ground fires.
 - c) Training with Powder River Fire went well. Linking trucks together worked. There will be more training with Powder River in the future.
 - d) Due to COVID vaccine mandate, there may not be any EMT's to respond to calls as of October 18th. Discussion about this took place. There may be exemptions offered to workers.
 - e) Mr. Clarke would like a traffic counter placed in town, to compare to the last time the counter was in town. There has been more and more people in town. He would like to see his budget increased.
 - f) Mr. Clarke would like another reader board for fire information.
 - g) Spaghetti feed October 26th. It will be a sit-down dinner this year. No decision has been made regarding take out.
- 4) Planning- John Young
 - a) Jon Patterson resigned from the Planning Commission.
 - b) Pilcher application, recommendation is, approval with the condition that water and sewer hookups comply with the city ordinances.
 - c) Blum application, recommendation is, to assign an address of 624 S Mill Street.
 - d) DeRoest application, recommendation is, to approve pending other required information.
 - e) Martinez application, recommendation is, approval with the condition that water and sewer hookups comply with the city ordinances.
 - f) Discussion about living full time in an RV took place. It was said that according to the ordinance, a conditional use permit needs to be applied for and issued before an RV can be lived in full time.
 - g) MSP: To approve DeRoest application. Councilor Leuenberger/Councilor Briscoe. All members voted to approve.
 - h) MSP: To assign DeRoest address, 410 Magnolia. Councilor Wise/Councilor Briscoe. All members voted to approve.
 - i) MSP: Approve Pilcher application. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris. All members voted to approve.
 - j) MSP: To assign Blum address, 624 S Mill St. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Wise. All members voted to approve.

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k) Martinez-Tabled until they can be notified, they need a conditional use permit.

5) NEW BUSINESS

6) Pay Bills-Rob Gaslin

- a) The last two months our income has been greater than the expenses. Mr. Gaslin gave an overview of the financial report.
- b) Councilor Leuenberger asked Mr. Gaslin if someone was going to give a report on the 2018 audit. Mr. Gaslin said he could do that at next month's meeting.
- c) Flea market cost analysis shows Memorial Day and Labor Day was a profit, 4th of July was a loss.
- d) The guys didn't have to clean showers for Labor Day so that saved the city about one thousand dollars.
- e) MSP: To pay the bills. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris. All members present passed unanimously.
- f) Discussion about flea markets ensued.

7) Employee Wages

- a) Mayor Lucas said raises were based on certification and no cost of living raise since they were hired.
- b) MPS: To give Tim a \$2.50 raise retro to October 1, 2021. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Leuenberger. Mayor voted no. All others voted to approve. Mayor said his no vote was due to Tim not being certified.
- c) MSP: To give Geoff a \$2.00 raise retroactive to October 1, 2021. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Leuenberger. All members voted to approve.
- d) MSP: To give ReNae a \$2.50 raise retro. Councilor Wise/Councilor Demaris. Councilor Leuenberger, no. All other members voted to approve.

8) Water Management and Conservation Plan

- a) Tabled for clarification to see if it can be rolled into the water grant. Councilor Wise asked Councilor Leuenberger if he would look up the OR number. He said he could do that.

9) Training for ReNae

- a) There is a grant class that ReNae would like to take. This will help with grant finding, applying and assist with networking. MSP: To let ReNae take the training. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Wise. All members voted to approve.

10) OLD BUSINESS

a) City Christmas Tree

- i) Councilor Demaris would like to have it on City property. She said she doesn't like to ask a private citizen to pay for power and insurance. John Young said it could go in front of the Wright House and a tube could be put in the ground permanently for the tree. Councilor Demaris said she would look at it. The mayor asked if we could plant a tree. He said he would check with the nursery to see if they will donate one. Tabled

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11) Museum Quarterly Report

- a) Councilor Demaris gave a brief overview of the report. Toni Thompson said there is going to be an open house on Thursday, October 21st. There are some new items she would like everyone to see.

12) Water Ordinance 2021-3

- a) Read in full for the first time.
- b) Councilor Wise corrected a spelling error.
- c) MSP: To read by title only. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Leuenberger. All members approved unanimously.
- d) Read by title only by city recorder.
- e) MSP: To approve Ordinance 2021-3 as read and corrected. Councilor Wise/Councilor Briscoe. All members approved unanimously.
- f) Ordinance 2021-3 will take effect in thirty days.

13) Sewer Ordinance 2021-2

- a) Read in full for the first time.
- b) Grammatical errors were corrected.
- c) Jon Patterson asked for clarification regarding the one hundred eighty-day hook-up/connection time frame. That section was read aloud.
- d) The Council discussed Article VII, Section 4, E. The Council made a change to that section to remove the one hundred eighty-day time limit. That section was read in full.
- e) MSP: To read by title only as amended. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Wise. All members approved unanimously.
- f) Read by title only by Mayor Lucas.
- g) MSP: Move we adopt it. Councilor Leuenberger/Councilor Demaris. All members approved unanimously.
- h) Ordinance 2021-2 will take effect in thirty days.

14) Public Comment

- a) Rebecca Patterson-Mrs. Patterson noticed there are vacation fees on the city fee schedule. She suggested adding a fee to Conditional Use Permits, since they require a public hearing etc. She said this could increase the city's revenue.
- b) Councilor Leuenberger-Holly with Baker County said that Baker County is willing to help the city rewrite planning/zoning ordinances. Holly would like to meet with us. The recorder was asked to set up a workshop on a Wednesday or Thursday.
- c) Councilor Leuenberger- Talked to John Deere and CAT about a road grader. John Deere has a lease option of sixteen thousand dollars per year for five years, on the sixth year the city pays one dollar, and would own the grader. If the city can't afford the sixteen thousand dollars or doesn't budget for it, John Deere will come pick up the grader, and the city would owe nothing. CAT only had one, for one hundred sixty-three thousand dollars.

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- d) The mayor asked if Councilor Leuenberger would give the information to ReNae so she can send it out to the rest of council. Councilor Leuenberger said he would do that.
- e) Councilor Briscoe asked where we stand with getting the old grader looked at. The answer was, put it on hold until more information is received from Councilor Leuenberger and John Deere.

15) Adjournment-6:53PM

- a) MSP: To adjourn the meeting. Councilor Wise/Councilor Demaris. All members voted to adjourn.

Approved by the City Council this 26th day of October 2021

Approved: 

Attested: 

ReNae Cameron, City Recorder

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- 1) CALL TO ORDER – 4:00pm
 - a) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - b) MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE –Councilor Wise, Councilor Briscoe, Councilor Demaris and Councilor Leuenberger. The mayor, absent.
 - c) VISITORS- Skip Duffin, Toni Thompson, Jon Patterson, Rebecca Patterson, Jeffrey Pettingill, Tim Jacobson, and Geoff Wells.
- 2) APPROVE MINUTES
 - a) MSP: To accept the City Council Meeting minutes for October 12, 2021. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Briscoe, all other members present voted to approve.
- 3) REPORTS
 - a) Public Works-Tim Jacobson and Geoff Wells
 - i) Water restrictions have been lifted.
 - ii) Primary and secondary water intakes have been cleaned.
 - iii) DeWalt tool kit was purchased in the amount of one hundred thirteen dollars. This will keep the guys from using Tim’s personal tools.
 - iv) The backhoe needs seals in the steering cylinder. That is going to be about two hundred eighty dollars.
 - v) The Schroeder’s ditch has been taken care of and Mr. Schroeder approved the fix, but he will continue to monitor it.
 - b) PLANNING
 - c) There was no quorum so one application was presented to the council.
 - d) Moore’s garage application. All setbacks are met.
 - e) MSP: To approve the Moore’s application as presented. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Briscoe. All members present approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- 4) NUISANCE ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION #397-21
 - a) This resolution is to allow Baker County Sheriff’s office to enforce the Baker County Nuisance Ordinance within Sumpter city limits.
 - i) Baker County Nuisance Ordinance #2019-02 was read in full by computer.
 - ii) MSP: To read for the second time by title only, Resolution #397-21. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Briscoe. All members present passed unanimously.
 - iii) City Recorder read it by title only.
 - iv) MSP: To accept resolution #397-21 read in its entirety and a second time by title only. Councilor Demaris/ Councilor Briscoe. All members present approved.
 - v) Jeffery Pettingill (Baker County Weed Control) said the council may want to get a clarification on the word compost. A lot of people have compost of clippings and that may not be something to consider as a nuisance.
 - vi) Councilor Leuenberger agreed.

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5) CITY ROAD GRADER

- a) Councilor Leuenberger said he tried a few times to contact Patrick and Patrick sent Councilor Leuenberger an email. The email stated, a grader would be coming in at the beginning of the week and Patrick would send Councilor Leuenberger pictures.
- b) Councilor Briscoe said Patrick had everything except the price for a wing. He said Patrick also told him there are three options to look at. Councilor Briscoe asked to have chains added to the deal. The chains the city has will not work on the new grader.
- c) Tabled until Councilor Leuenberger can get more information.

6) CITY CHRISTMAS TREE

- a) Councilor Demaris looked at the Wright House. After checking for water and sewer lines, the tree will be located in the Wright House yard nearest the Museum.

7) BAKER COUNTY WEED CONTROL

- a) Jeffery Pettingill-An estimated invoice was presented and Mr. Pettingill said this is an estimate and it is a little high. The price may change due to the price of the material and the time it will take to spray. This estimate is to spray all the roads in Sumpter.
- b) Councilor Leuenberger asked if Mr. Pettingill has addressed the private properties in town. Mr. Pettingill said he has been in contact and that spraying should be done, weather permitting, in the next couple weeks.
- c) MSP: To authorize Baker County Weed to spray the City properties up to the amount of eight hundred fifty dollars for the herbicides and application for this year.
- d) Mr. Pettingill asked if he could come before winter, the answer was, yes.

8) 2022 FLEA MARKETS

- a) The question was if the Council will have or not have flea markets in 2022.
- b) Councilor Demaris said she didn't think 4th of July was good for the city.
- c) Councilor Leuenberger asked about dust abatement and suggested this be put off until after the Council can decide what they are going to do about dust abatement.
- d) Councilor Wise said the city can go back to water only.
- e) Councilor Leuenberger said he had a proposal that he got cut off on, about changing some of the dust abatement, but was cut off because the Council decided to use water for dust abatement. He feels there is plenty of time to make a decision.
- f) Tabled for more discussion about dust abatement.

NEW BUSINESS

9) SECURITY FENCE GRANT

- a) The recorder would like to know if the Council would like a Security grant applied for. This could be for fencing around the City Shop.
- b) Councilor Leuenberger asked if this was for fencing only. The answer was, yes, that was what was discussed before, since items have been stolen from the City Shop, but it is a security grant. Councilor Leuenberger would like it to cover the security for City Hall as well. He would like to see cameras and an electronic system, because there are so many keys floating around town for City Hall.

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- c) MSP: To apply for the grant. Councilor Leuenberger/Councilor Briscoe. All members present approve.

10) COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

- a) Community members would like to provide a Thanksgiving dinner for everyone in town. They would like to use the Community Center and host it on Thanksgiving Day. The Council didn't have a problem with this.

11) PUBLIC COMMENT

- a) None

12) ADJOURNMENT-4:40PM

- a) MSP: To adjourn. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris. All members present voted to adjourn.

Approved by the City Council this 9th day of November 2021.

Approved: 

Attested: 

ReNae Cameron, City Recorder

**CITY OF SUMPTER
COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2021, 4:00pm**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER – 4:15pm
 - a) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - b) MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE –Mayor Lucas, Councilor Wise, Councilor Briscoe, Councilor Demaris and Councilor Leuenberger.
 - c) VISITORS- Skip Duffin, Rebecca Patterson, Jon Patterson, Tami Anderson, Mike Anderson, Steve McKern, Mike Manning, Doug Gannon, and Mary Killins.
- 2) Approve Minutes
 - a) MSP: To accept the October 26, 2021 minutes with the one correction of stolen. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Wise. All members present voted to approve.
- 3) Fire Department- Kurt Clarke
 - a) No more fire season, but permits are required.
 - b) The FD will be using a new 911 tone out system. The old system was not working well. The new system goes directly to the phone and allows for replies directly on the volunteer's phone.
 - c) Training has been going well. Trucks have been cleaned out and maintenance has been done.
 - d) The Spaghetti Feed was great. A lot of people donated the supplies needed. Thanks to all who donated. There were fewer people served and the Fire Department made about six hundred dollars more this year. This year about fourteen hundred dollars was collected.
 - e) Councilor Wise asked Chief Clarke if anything has changed with the EMS and Life Flight due to vaccination requirements? He said there were no changes, it was like nothing ever happened.
 - f) Councilor Briscoe asked Chief Clarke if the money from the Spaghetti Feed went through the city accountant? He said only seventy dollars did. Everything was run through Sumpter Valley Community Volunteers. They sponsored the event. The only money that went to the city was the checks that were written to the city.
 - g) Council Demaris asked if the Community Center was cleaned after the Spaghetti Feed. He said it had been mopped, swept and dishes were washed.
- 4) Planning
 - a) Michael Manning carport addition.
 - b) MSP: To accept Michael Manning's application for the addition. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris. All members present approved.
- 5) NEW BUSINESS
- 6) Pay Bills-Rob Gaslin
 - a) Mr. Gaslin gave an overview of the bills to be paid.
 - b) Mr. Patterson asked Mr. Gaslin if the refund he was receiving was made out to the Whistle Stop RV, Mr. Gaslin said, yes. Mr. Patterson requested it be changed to Patterson Investments. Mr. Gaslin said if the Council will approve, he will correct the check and get it sent out.
 - c) MSP: To pay the bills as stated. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris. All members approved unanimously.
 - d) Mr. Gaslin gave a breakdown of Sumpter's 2017-2018 audit.

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7) Tami Anderson

- a) Ms. Anderson would like to hold an exercise class three times a week at City Hall or at the Community Center. The cost of the class would be five dollars per class or thirty-five dollars per month. She has been teaching classes for a total of about twenty years.
- b) The Council did not have a problem as long as there was insurance. Councilor Wise suggested getting an application to reserve the school house and go from there.

8) Nash Request for Reduced Sewer Hookup Fee

- a) The Nash's wrote a letter requesting a reduction from the current sewer hookup of thirty-five hundred dollars. They were quoted twelve hundred dollars; the letter doesn't specify a date.
- b) Councilor Wise said, the problem approving this is, we have already denied another request for the same thing.
- c) Councilor Demaris said, it wasn't a quote, it was just the city's price sheet that has changed since they decided to put it in.
- d) Mayor Lucas, said it is a process of business.
- e) MSP: To deny the request. Councilor Wise/Councilor Briscoe. Councilor Demaris abstain, neighbors. All other members voted to deny the request.

OLD BUSINESS

9) City Road Grader

- a) Mayor Lucas suggested tabling the issue until the mediation with previous employees is taken care of. Councilor Wise and Councilor Briscoe agreed.
- b) Councilor Leuenberger disagreed, saying there are still discretionary funds available and more funds are coming in. He talked to CAT and they have a grader for around eighteen thousand per year.
- c) Councilor Demaris asked if this could be tabled until after mediation Monday?
- d) Mayor Lucas said yes it could be tabled until a Special Session could be held after mediation.
- e) MSP: To table this until after mediation Monday. Councilor Wise/Councilor Briscoe. Councilor Leuenberger, No. All other members voted to postpone.
- f) A Special Session was scheduled for Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 4:00PM.

10) 2022 Flea Markets

- a) Councilor Demaris asked Councilor Leuenberger about the alternative to doing all the dust abatement. She would like to know how the lawsuit can be changed.
- b) Councilor Leuenberger, suggested to dust abate around his block on Ash, Austin Street (Bonanza to Simonsons), Ibex from the Grounds past the Peters, once a year. Also, put gravel down in the parking lot of the grounds. That is fewer square feet than what is in the lawsuit.
- c) Councilor Wise would like to see Austin done from the highway all the way up.
- d) Councilor Demaris would like to have 4th of July downtown only. Councilor Wise agreed.
- e) MSP: To have two markets, Memorial Day and Labor Day, and 4th of July will be left up to private property owners downtown. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Wise. Councilor Leuenberger, No. All others voted to approve.

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11) Public Comment


- a) Councilor Leuenberger said there are people camping at the fairgrounds and wanted to know if they had been given permission to do so. Council decided it needs to be posted, no camping.
- b) Kurt Clarke-Asked if he could grade Columbia Street by the Post Office at no cost to the city. No decision was made.
- c) Mike Manning-Asked if the pothole at the intersection of Mill Street and the highway is the responsibility of Sumpter or the State. The answer was it is in the State right-of-way.
- d) Jon Patterson-Asked if McCully Fork snow clean up could go out for bid instead of waiting for it to become an emergency. Councilor Leuenberger said, if there is a new grader then the guys can do it. The Council will discuss it further at the Special Session on Wednesday.
- e) Martin Martinez-Asked if he could make payment toward his water/sewer hook-ups. Mr. Martinez will put three thousand dollars down. A contract was suggested. This will be discussed more at the Special Session on the 17th. MSP: To approve the services with a three-thousand-dollar deposit. Mayor Lucas/Councilor Demaris. All members voted to approve.

12) Adjournment-5:40PM

- a) MSP: To adjourn the meeting. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Leuenberger. All members voted to adjourn.

Approved by the City Council this 23rd day of November 2021

Approved: 

Attested: 

ReNae Cameron, City Recorder

**CITY OF SUMPTER
SPECIAL SESSION
NOVEMBER 17, 2021**

- 1) Call to Order at 4:00PM
 - a) Members present: Mayor Lucas, Councilor Wise, Councilor Briscoe, Councilor Demaris and Councilor Leuenberger.
 - b) Visitor- Jon Patterson, Rebecca Patterson, Terry Leuenberger, and Vern Hollopeter.
- 2) City Road Grader
 - a) Councilor Leuenberger presented the options he researched.
 - b) Western States has a 2008, 163 CAT that is one hundred forty-five thousand dollars.
 - c) There is a Fiat, but it is smaller and only four-wheel drive.
 - d) Coastline has a 2007, 772 John Deere and has everything we need.
 - e) Boise West Equipment has a 2007, 163H CAT. This may not be able to be leased, only purchased.
 - f) Public Purchasing procedures were discussed.
 - g) Councilor Leuenberger suggested that Tim go look at the road graders.
 - h) Councilor Leuenberger said he would call Coastline to find out if the hydraulics can be put on it before delivery.
 - i) Councilor Leuenberger said he would get bids for all the graders.
 - j) Councilor Leuenberger asked the recorder to get Paige Sully, city attorney on the phone.
 - k) Ms. Sully provided information on intermediate procurement.
 - l) Ms. Sully suggested getting the bids with everything the city needs in them. At that time a better decision can be made.
 - m) **Tabled**-Councilor Leuenberger has the list of requirements the city needs and he said he would call all three dealers and get more information and report back at Tuesdays regular meeting.
- 3) Plowing Snow at McCully Water Intake
 - a) When the guys can no longer keep the road to the water intake clear, the city must hire the job to be done. The guys must always be able to get to the intake to ensure water is always flowing to the city.
 - b) Discussion about putting it out to bid took place.
 - c) The Mayor and Tim will get together and come up with an RFP, tomorrow, November 18, 2021.
- 4) Martinez Water/Sewer Request
 - a) The down payments have been made, water and sewer are hooked up and flowing. Monthly payment of two hundred fifty dollars in addition to monthly water/sewer charges. The contract is not ready.
 - b) **Tabled**
- 5) Adjournment-5:11PM
- 6) **MSP: To adjourn the meeting. Councilor Wise/Councilor Demaris. All present passed unanimously.**

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 - b) MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE –Mayor Lucas, Councilor Wise, Councilor Demaris and Councilor Leuenberger. Councilor Briscoe, absent.
 - c) VISITORS- Skip Duffin, Jon Patterson, Rebecca Patterson, Terry Leuenberger, Vern Hollopeter, Andrew Campbell, Paige Sully, Tim Jacobson, and Geoff Wells.
- 2) APPROVE MINUTES
 - a) MSP: To accept the November 9, 2021 minutes with correction noted on 10b. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Wise, all members present voted to approve.
 - b) MSP: To accept the November 17, 2021 Special Session minutes as presented. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Wise, all members present voted to approve.
- 3) REPORTS
 - a) Public Works-Tim Jacobson and Geoff Wells
 - i) Grader-Tim went to Boise and Jerome to look at both of the graders. Tim gave a report on both graders.
 - ii) The Council asked Tim questions regarding the John Deere and CAT graders.
 - iii) The Council discussed the options at length.
 - iv) Councilor Leuenberger gave a report of what he did to ask for bids. He sent equal request to Western States, Boise West Equipment, and Coastline. Only Coastline gave a responsive bid.
 - v) Resolution 399-21 was read by the computer.
 - vi) MSP: To adopt Resolution 399-21, with the term of eighty-four months and appoint Mayor Lucas to do the paperwork. Council Leuenberger/Councilor Wise, all members present voted to approve.
 - b) Planning
 - i) Robert Holmes-Tabled for more information.
- 4) OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Shop Lights
 - i) The Council discussed whether to sell or use the extra city shop lights. MSP: To keep lights to replace old ones in the City. Councilor Leuenberger/Councilor Wise, all members present voted to approve.
 - ii) MSP: To make available at no cost, as is, to the public of Sumpter the used T12's. Mayor Lucas/Councilor Demaris, all members present voted to approve.
 - b) Martinez Contract
 - i) Tabled until contract can be completed.

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c) McCully Snow Removal RFP

- i) The Mayor read his informal proposal. Councilor Leuenberger asked if the city is paying per hour or per time/event.
- ii) Councilor Demaris said this is a small procurement and the dollar amount doesn't require an RFP. The Mayor said he knows of three people that can do this job and would like to give them all the opportunity to bid this job.
- iii) Councilor Wise asked what size loader needs to be used. The recommendation was a 444 or larger loader.
- iv) MSP: To put out an informal proposal for pricing. Mayor Lucas/Councilor Demaris, all members present voted to approve.

5) NEW BUSINESS

a) DeRoest Request

- i) There is a berm of rocks that are in the Granite Street right of way and his property. He wants to move the rocks and would like to use all the rocks. MSP: To let him have the rocks. Councilor Leuenberger/Councilor Demaris, all members present voted to approve.

b) Review /Approval of Resolution 398-21, McKinney Litigation

- i) The resolution was read by the computer.
- ii) Councilor Leuenberger asked if the Council was going to discuss the resolution. The answer was, no.
- iii) MSP: To approve resolution 398-21 and settlement agreement. Councilor Wise/Councilor Demaris. Councilor Leuenberger, No. All other members present voted to approve.
- iv) A question was asked as to when this information will become public.
- v) Attorney Andrew Campbell answered and said, it is not a confidential settlement agreement, once it is signed it will become public. If people want to view it, they can submit a formal Public Records Request.
- vi) Councilor Leuenberger asked if the Council can discuss it in public. Attorney Campbell suggested calling an Executive Session if the Council wants to discuss it and then come back to an open meeting to vote on anything.
- vii) The mayor asked what is the first step as Council, to get it done, and what is the second step to open it up to the public. Attorney Campbell said, once the mayor signs it, it becomes a public document and open to records request.
- viii) Councilor Leuenberger said, and none of the litigants have been asked to contribute. Attorney Campbell said, correct.

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c) Small City Allotment Grant Agreement

- i) The mayor reported on which roads will be worked on.
- ii) Councilor Leuenberger asked why First Street it being done, the mayor said he didn't know what the determining factors were. The Recorder said, this was presented to the Council months ago and there was no decision made. She asked Councilor Briscoe to go around town and find some roads to repair so the money isn't lost.
- iii) MSP: To accept the Small City Allotment Grant agreement. Councilor Wise/Councilor Demaris, all members present voted to approve.

6) PUBLIC COMMENT

- a) None-The Mayor didn't open the floor.

7) ADJOURNMENT-5:24PM

- a) MSP: To adjourn. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris. All members present voted to adjourn.

Approved by the City Council this 9th day of November 2021.

Approved: 

Attested: 

ReNae Cameron, City Recorder

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DECEMBER 14, 2021, 4:00pm**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER – 4:00pm
 - a) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - b) MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE –Councilor Wise, Councilor Briscoe, Councilor Demaris and Councilor Leuenberger. Mayor Lucas, absent.
 - c) VISITORS- Skip Duffin, Rebecca Patterson, Jon Patterson, Terry Leuenberger, Brian Ratliff, Vern Hollopeter, and Kurt Clark.
 - 2) Approve Minutes
 - a) Councilor Leuenberger noted changes that need made.
 - b) MSP: To accept the November 23, 2021 minutes with the corrections that were mentioned. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Leuenberger. All members present voted to approve.
 - 3) Fire Department- Kurt Clarke
 - a) Everything is going well.
 - b) There have been some medical calls that were responded to.
 - c) The trucks are chained up and ready for winter.
 - d) Natasha Clark served chili and accepted donations at the museum during the bazaar. There was two hundred and four dollars collected.
 - e) There is still one truck that needs to be certified.
 - 4) Planning
 - a) Robert Holmes application
 - b) MSP: To accept Robert Holmes planning application. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Briscoe. All members present approved.
 - 5) Brian Ratliff- Fish & Wildlife
 - a) Mr. Ratliff reported there was an incident in town with at bear and the bear hasn't been seen since.
 - b) He gave recommendations to always have trash cleaned up and not give the bears any reason to be in town.
- NEW BUSINESS**
- 6) Pay Bills-Rob Gaslin
 - a) Mr. Gaslin gave an overview of the bills to be paid.
 - b) Councilor Wise asked for discussion regarding the Buckley Law bill. There is one thousand dollars in trust for Sumpter from the Woodley lawsuit. She asked if the city should release this money to pay for part of the Buckley Law bill. MSP: To do that. Councilor Leuenberger/Councilor Briscoe. All members present approved.
 - c) MSP: To pay off Buckley Law in full. Councilor Briscoe/Councilor Demaris. All members present approved.
 - d) MSP: To pay the bills for this month. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Briscoe. All members present approved.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7) Councilor Wise

- a) Cell tower- Councilor Wise requested the Council to review all the cell tower information so it can be talked about at the next council meeting.
- b) Marijuana money-There was never an official vote on where to allocate the money. Tabled until next year's budget.

8) Councilor Leuenberger

- a) McKinney Settlement-Councilor Leuenberger stated, the McKinney's receive two hundred and fifty thousand dollars in the settlement. Sumpter's share of that was fifty thousand dollars. He gave his opinion regarding the McKinney settlement and how it came about. I want the minutes to reflect that I was disappointed that none of the individual defendants whose actions led to the suit were asked to contribute and none did. Had they followed the CIS advice, as they said they did, much of the attorney fee portion of the judgment would not have occurred. They didn't even apologize to the citizenry.

9) Public Comment

- a) Jon Patterson
 - i) Mr. Patterson feels the city should post the information about the McKinney lawsuit.
 - ii) Mr. Patterson asked questions regarding updated maps.
 - iii) Mr. Patterson inquired about the snowmobile bridge on Granite Street that goes over Cracker Creek.
 - iv) Mr. Patterson asked about vacating streets in town and questioned why Cracker Street and Auburn Streets were not on the maps. Councilor Leuenberger suggested putting the subject on the next agenda, no vote was taken to do so.
 - v) Mr. Patterson asked about the fifty-thousand-dollar grant that was issued to restore the intersection of Center Street and Auburn Street.
 - vi) Mr. Patterson asked about Jennifer Lake's rocks.

10) Adjournment-4:49PM

- a) MSP: To adjourn the meeting. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Leuenberger. All members voted to adjourn.

Approved by the City Council this 23rd day of November 2021

Approved: 

Attested: 

ReNae Cameron, City Recorder