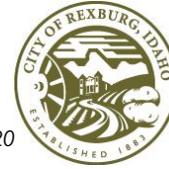


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December 11, 2006

Mayor Shawn Larsen

Council Members:

Donna Benfield – Council President
Farrell Young Christopher Mann
Rex Erickson Randy Schwendiman
Bart Stevens

City Staff:

Stephen Zollinger — City Attorney
Richard Horner – Finance Officer
John Millar — Public Works Director
Val Christensen – Building Official
Gary Leikness — Planning & Zoning Administrator
Blair Kay — City Clerk

MONDAY - DECMEBER 11, 2006

7:00 A.M. – Wrap-up work meeting for City Council

A. Discuss the City Council's requests to submit to the congressional delegation.

The City Council submitted items for discussion concerning funding sources from the federal appropriations budget:

Council Member Young

1. Storm drain enhancement
2. Water study
3. Airport - Runway extension
4. Wastewater treatment plant expansion
5. Roads - with emphasis on 7th South and 12th West
6. Swimming Pool/Recreation Center

Council Member Mann

1. East Park Way or any road money we could get. 12th West, University Park Way
2. Waste water treatment upgrades- drain system
3. Air-port expansion or moving airport out of town
4. Teton River, aquifer preservation
5. Development of the Louisiana Property for recreation
6. Tourism grants and development for small business
7. Hispanic and minority out reach programs, head start

Council Member Benfield

1. Roads - East Parkway - University Way - 12th West
2. Airport Expansion
3. Wastewater Treatment Plant

Council Member Erickson

1. Roads & infrastructure for continued development
2. Storm water drainage
3. Economic development
4. Airport expansion - combine with elimination of river pollution
5. LP property development

Council Member Schwendiman

1. East Park Way - because it is a multi-jurisdiction request
2. 12th West
3. 7th South
4. Airport Expansion with possibility of some water quality studies
5. New water wells and/or expansion of the waste water treatment plant

Council Member Stevens

1. Road Equipment - grader, trucks, backhoe, loader
2. Fresh water wells, water study

B. Finalize the priority list for the National Group, who will submit the list to the congressional delegation.

Mayor Larsen reviewed the emergency funding for 911 and dispatch. The County Commissioners will be having a meeting on the 21st of December to discuss the Emergency 911 Governing Board. The City Council is invited to the meeting at 7:00 A.M. Mayor Larsen mentioned the state organization (Interoperability Executive Council) that recommends grant funding for 911 dispatch funding.

Mayor Larsen asked the City Council how they would like to proceed with a discussion concerning their recommendations on funding items that could be requested for the federal appropriations budget.

Council Member Benfield requested city streets to be the number one priority for the list.

Council Member Mann asked if ear mark funds would be available if the federal budget is continued from 2006 without an appropriations budget hearing for the upcoming budget year.

Mayor Larsen said Mr. Harmer from the National Group will need to address that question. Mayor Larsen gave some examples of federal budget money being made available for local municipalities to do major projects in the past.

Council Member Benfield gave an example of an elected official from Alabama, who received \$3,000,000 from the appropriations budget by doing his own lobbyist work for his municipality.

Council Member Erickson would like to limit the list to four or maybe five items.

The City Council discussed the upcoming meetings with the county and the school district. These two entities will meet with the City Council on the 21st of December. Madison County Commissioners meeting – 7:00 A.M. Madison School Board – 9:00 A.M.

Council Member Erickson asked the city to be more cooperative with the county by accommodating the county with city facilities for county business.

The City Council discussed providing the county with city resources for meetings and other items at little or no cost to the city. The Mayor and City Council would like to have a friendly relationship with other public entities to work for the greater good of the community.

Mayor Larsen recommended the City Council renew the joint monthly meetings with Madison County Commissioners and Sugar City Mayor and City Council; also, Mayor Larsen would like to see regular meetings with Madison School Board.

City Council listed their priorities for funding requests as follows:

1. City roads and equipment to maintain city roads
 - a. East Belt Route (city/county)
 - b. 7th South
 - c. 2nd West to Hwy 20
 - d. 12th West
2. Airport expansion (city/county)
3. Waste Water Treatment Plant; Storm Water Collection System; Fresh Water Wells (Study)
4. Economic Development

5. Homeland Security – Interoperability Executive Council
 - a. 911 Dispatch (city/county)
 - b. Emergency Services (city/county)

NOTE: Mr. John Harmer from the National Group will be in this area Dec 11 – Dec 14. He will be available to review Rexburg’s priority list on December 15th and December 16th. The City Council will make a decision at that meeting deciding if Rexburg will purchase the services from the National Group to seek funding from the federal appropriations budget.

Adjourned

Shawn Larsen, Mayor

Attest:

Blair D. Kay, City Clerk