

City Council Meeting

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Mayor Richard Woodland

Council Members:

Christopher Mann – Council President
Rex Erickson Donna Benfield
Bruce Sutherland Brad Egbert
Adam Stout

City Staff:

Stephen Zollinger – City Attorney
Richard Horner – Finance Officer
John Millar – Public Works Director
Val Christensen – Community Development Director
Scott Johnson – Economic Development Director
Blair Kay – City Clerk

7:00 A.M. City Hall – Pledge to the Flag

Mayor Woodland welcomed a Boy Scout Troop to the meeting.

The Boy Scouts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Preston Roberts gave the prayer.

Roll Call of Council Members:

Attending: Council President Mann, Council Member Benfield, Council Member Sutherland, Council Member Stout, and Mayor Woodland.

Council Member Egbert and **Council Member Erickson** asked to be excused.

Public Comment: on issues not scheduled on the agenda (limit 3 minutes) - NONE

Presentations: - NONE

Items for Consideration: - NONE

Staff Reports:

A. **Public Works:** – John Millar

1. Award Tabernacle Windows Bid

Mayor Woodland reviewed the single bid for \$8,400 per window. The windows will be sliding windows with very good dense wood. It fills the requirements. Discussion on the problems with getting someone to bid the project. The windows will be paid with donated funds. The bottom windows will be completed next year.

Public Works Director Millar explained the bidder is Merrill Construction LLC from Rexburg. The total bid amount for 11 windows was \$92,521. The windows are opening windows without screens to replace the old windows. The same bidder did one of the windows last spring. The city is pleased with the work on the first window. There was only one bidder contingent on his public works license. He asked the City Council to allow the mayor to approve the contract contingent upon the bidder obtaining his public works contractor's license.

Council Member Stout moved to approve the single bid to replace the Tabernacle windows for \$8,411 per window contingent upon the bidder obtaining his public works contractor's license; Council Member Sutherland seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Mann
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Sutherland
Council Member Stout

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

Mayor Woodland explained the windows were discussed for replacement four years ago when he came onto the City Council. Council President Mann said on the south side of the Tabernacle there are stairs that have cracks that need to be fixed.

B. Finance Department: - Richard Horner

1. Health Insurance Renewal

Financial Officer Horner reported on the health insurance premium increase. The Dental Insurance is wanting a 50% increase. The city negotiated Blue Cross Health Insurance to a 4.9% increase. The maximum amount allowed for claims has increased in 2012 due to federal law changes. In 2014 the maximum amount for claims allowed will be unlimited. He asked the City Council to stay with Blue Cross Health Insurance. The Dental Insurance will be brought back to City Council once a decision has been made. Council President Mann reviewed the time period for the renewal of the health insurance starting January 01, 2012 for the 4.9% increase. Financial Officer Horner said health insurance was budgeted for a 10% increase.

Council Member Sutherland moved to approve the renewal of the Blue Cross Health Insurance Plan with a 4.9% increase; Council Member Benfield seconded the motion; The motion carried. Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Mann
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Sutherland
Council Member Stout

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

Mayor's Report: - NONE

Consent Calendar: The consent calendar includes items which require formal City Council action, however they are typically routine or not of great controversy. Individual Council members may ask that any specific item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion in greater detail. Explanatory information is included in the City Council's agenda packet regarding these items.

Minutes:

- A. **October 19, 2011** meeting
- B. Approve the City of Rexburg Bills

Council President Mann moved to approve the consent callendar; Council Member Stout seconded the motion; Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Mann
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Sutherland
Council Member Stout

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

Adjournment

Richard S.Woodland, Mayor

Attest:

Blair Kay, City Clerk

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