

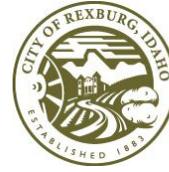
City Council Meeting

August 20, 2014

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CITY OF
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America's Family Community

August 20, 2014

Mayor Richard Woodland

Council Members:

President Sally Smith Jordan Busby
Donna Benfield Jerry Merrill
Christopher Mann Brad Wolfe

City Staff:

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

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

Council Member Mann conducted the meeting.

Council Member Benfield led the pledge.

Roll Call of Council Members:

Attending: Council Member Mann, Council Member Benfield, Council Member Busby, Council Member Merrill, and Council Member Wolfe.

Mayor Woodland and Council President Smith asked to be excused.

Public Comment on non-controversial issues: not scheduled on the agenda (limit 3 minutes):

Jack Bogetti has lived here for 2 months. They moved here from Boise and they are thrilled to be here. He wanted to comment on the flood. It was very concerning. When another heavy rain hit he was again concerned with the water that creeps up to his house. He was not flooded, but close. He is on the corner of Yost and Polo. When big storms hit, the storm drains quit working and a lake forms. He is afraid that one day it will flood their house. During last night's storm he drove to Mariah and Oaktrail and noticed a red light on a panel where the pump is. He would like to encourage the council to keep addressing this issue. He thanked the council for their service.

Council Member Benfield encouraged him to stay and hear the report that will be presented this evening.

Council Member Busby also encouraged him to attend the task force meetings.

Council Member Mann said that Mr. Bogetti lives across the street from him and has also witnessed the high water levels in front of their homes as that is where the storm drains are located.

Presentations: - None

Council Member Mann reported that the flooding on campus has been bad. He can attest to the severe destruction. The Manwaring Center was badly flooded. His office and many other offices are being remodeled due to the damage.

Committee Liaison Assignments for 2014:

A. Council Member Christopher Mann: *Golf Board · Emergency Services Board · MYAB*

Council Member Mann reported none of his committees have met. Mary Flanary with the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board is working hard on sign-ups at the schools for the new year.

B. Council Member Jordan Busby: *GIS Oversight · Airport Board · Traffic & Safety*

Council Member Busby reported none of his committees have met.

C. Council Member Donna Benfield: *Police · Trails of Madison County · IBC · Teton Flood Museum Committee*

Council Member Benfield reported trails will meet tomorrow night.

D. Council Member Sally Smith: *Legacy Flight Museum · Rexburg Arts Council (Romance Theatre & Tabernacle Civic Center, Orchestra) · M.E.P.I.*

Council President Smith was excused.

E. Council Member Jerry Merrill: *School Board · Parks & Recreation · Urban Renewal Agency*

Council Member Jerry Merrill reported the school board has not met. The Recreation Department held their annual Rush Triathlon last Saturday. He showed some photos and remarked that a lot of families participated. A contestant, Mr. Wray, came across the line an hour after everyone. He has lost 100 pounds since last April and is trying to get in shape. It was emotional. Urban Renewal and Parks & Recreation is working on the new parking lot for Rexburg Rapids with an exit onto 1st East and Valley River Drive. Urban Renewal is helping finance the building of that road.

F. Council Member Brad Wolfe: *Planning & Zoning · Beautification Committee*

Council Member Wolfe reported Planning & Zoning met last week. They are looking at the current regulations for temporary businesses. There may be some changes coming there. They also talked about the final plat for Tamana Fields.

Public Hearings: - None

Council Member Merrill asked to be excused.

Items for Consideration:

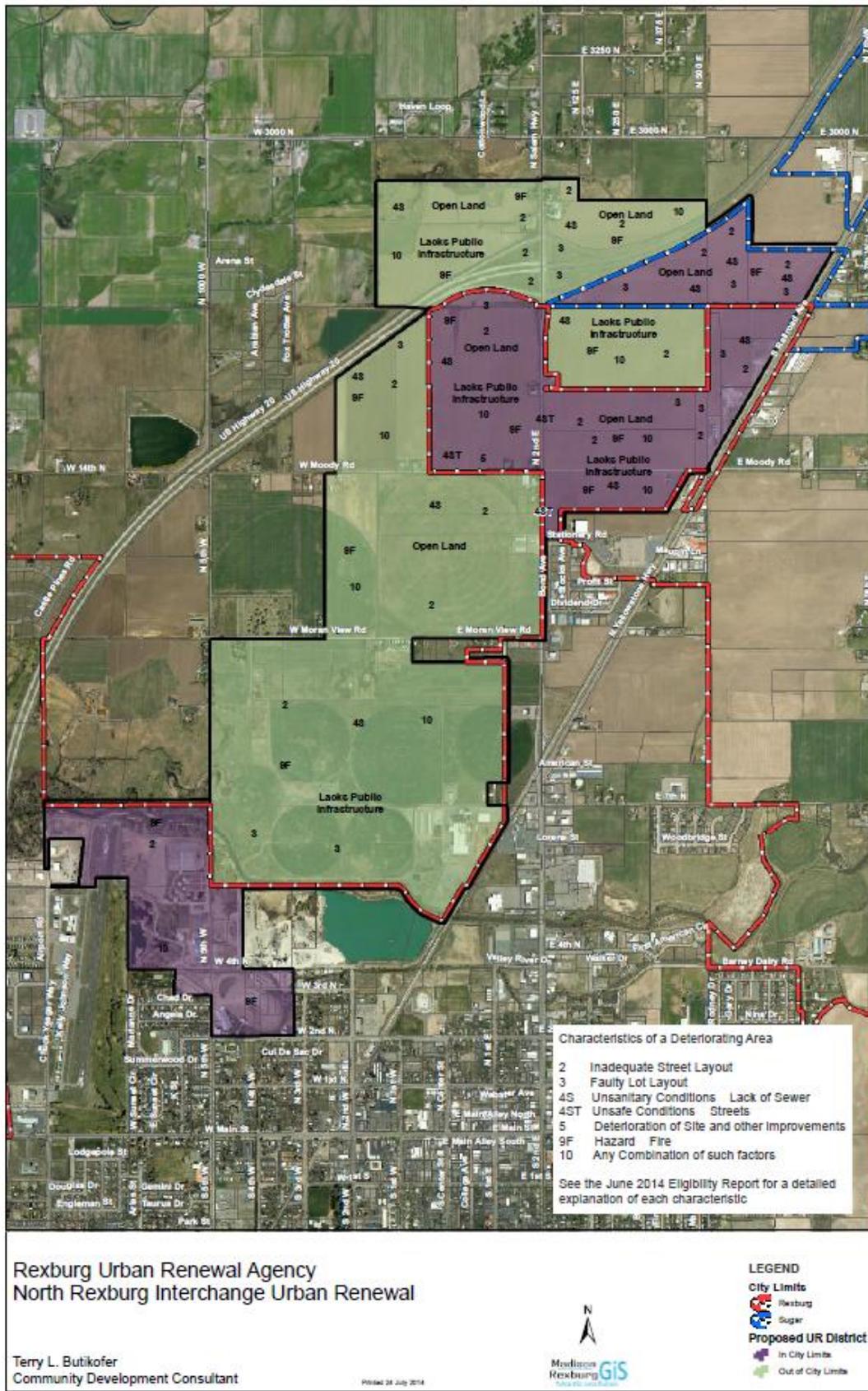
A. Resolution 2014-16 Urban Renewal Plan for North 2nd East – Terry Butikofer

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-16

A RESOLUTION BY THE REXBURG CITY COUNCIL DETERMINING A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN THE CITY TO BE A DETERIORATED OR DETERIORATING AREA AS DEFINED BY IDAHO CODE SECTIONS 50-2018(9) AND 50-2903(8); DIRECTING THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF REXBURG TO COMMENCE THE PREPARATION OF AN URBAN RENEWAL PLAN SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS, WHICH PLAN MAY INCLUDE REVENUE ALLOCATION PROVISIONS FOR ALL OR PART OF THE AREA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Terry Butikofer from the Development Company in Rexburg presented the Urban Renewal Plan for North 2nd East interchange. This is just the eligibility report. These are areas of potential deterioration that may need improved.

Discussion:



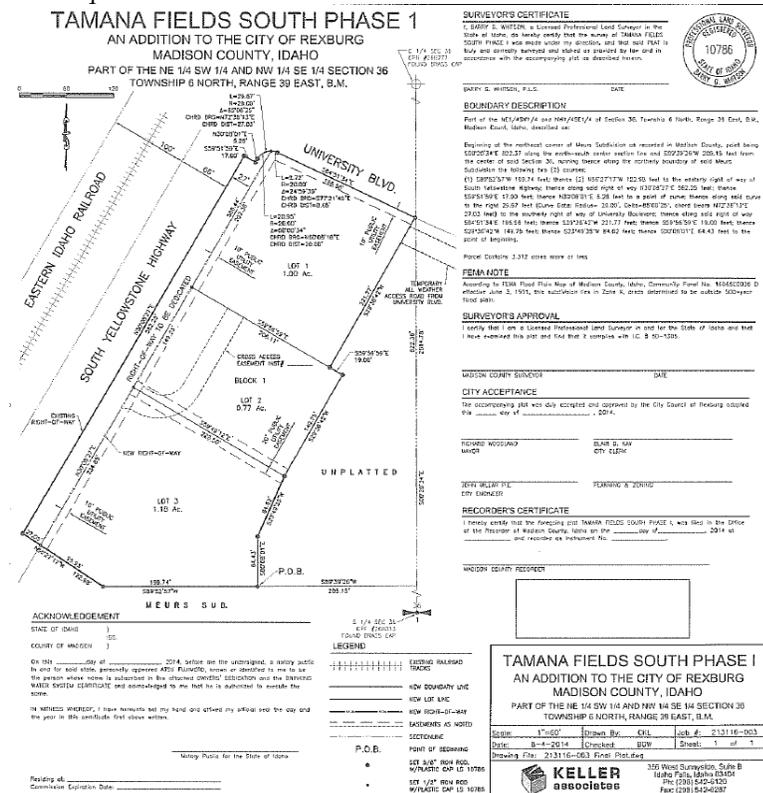
Council Member Busby moved to approve **Resolution 2014-16** for the Urban Renewal Plan for North 2nd East; Council Member Wolfe seconded the motion; Acting Council President Mann asked for a vote:

Those voting aye
 Council Member Mann
 Council Member Benfield
 Council Member Busby
 Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay
 None

The motion carried.

B. Final Plat – Tamana Fields South Phase One Presented by Barry Whitson of Keller Associates in Idaho Falls, Idaho. They are here to get approval on the final plat. It has been through all the departments and questions have been addressed.



Staff Report:

Community Development Director Christensen reviewed the final plat for Tamana Fields:

Fire Department Staff Review Comments

The Final Plat was reviewed. There were no Fire Department comments at this time.

GIS Staff Review Comments

1. A 10 foot utility easement is missing from the front of the lots.
2. A Flood Plain statement is missing.
3. Access needs to be shown on the final plat to determine addressing.

Public Works Staff Review Comments

1. An easement needs to be established for the joint access to Lot 1 of Tamana Fields South Phase 1. This information needs to be shown on the plat.
2. Will the access from South Yellowstone serve only this phase or is it intended to have this access continue into the property to the east? If so, an access easement needs to be established through this phase to the east.
3. There needs to be an access provided to Lot 1 of this phase. It should be shown on the plat or on an attached agreement.
4. A 10 foot utility easement should be shown along the west side of the property for power, phone, fiber, etc.

Planning & Zoning Staff Review Comments

1. There are no concerns from Planning and Zoning.

Discussion on the easement from South Yellowstone east to the Division Two development. The plat needs to show an easement there.

Council Member Wolfe moved to approve the **Final Plat** for Tamana Fields South Phase One; with a condition to have an easement from South Yellowstone Hwy over to the future Division Two; Council Member Benfield seconded the motion; Acting Council President Mann asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

- Council Member Mann
- Council Member Benfield
- Council Member Busby
- Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

C. Annexation of properties within City Limits – Staff

City Engineer Davidson explained the need for a sidewalk along University Blvd to provide pedestrian traffic from McDonalds to the new Madison High School. These two properties along University Blvd are outside the city limits.

THOMAS PETROLEUM LLC - RP06N39E360438 X				HARRIS NORMA LIVING TRUST - RP06N39E361 X			
PIN	RP06N39E360438			PIN	RP06N39E361241		
Primary Owner	THOMAS PETROLEUM LLC			Primary Owner	HARRIS NORMA LIVING TRUST		
Physical Address	1130 University Blvd			Physical Address	1138 University Blvd		
Mailing Address	9701 US HWY 59 NO VICTORIA, TX 77905			Mailing Address	721 JOHNSON ST REXBURG, ID 83440		
Secondary Owner				Secondary Owner	HARRIS NORMA LEE TRUSEE		
Zoned	CBC			Zoned	CBC		
Instr #:	248099 248495 357828			Instr #:	238815 252616 258241 377730 374835 377661		
Last Inspected	2012			Last Inspected	2011		
2013 Taxes	\$6,612.62			2013 Taxes	\$1,585.12		
2014 Taxes	\$0.00			2014 Taxes	\$0.00		
Bedrooms	0			Bedrooms	0		
Bathrooms	0.0			Bathrooms	0.0		
Total Sq Ft.	0			Total Sq Ft.	0		
Year Built	0			Year Built	0		
Assessed Value	\$493,400.00			Assessed Value	\$116,850.00		
Assessment Category Values				Assessment Category Values			
Category	Tax Code	Acreage	Value	Category	Tax Code	Acreage	Value
13	10000	3.250	\$97,500	13	10000	1.400	\$70,000
13	35000	0.000	\$6,500	35	10000	0.000	\$46,850
35	10000	0.000	\$208,140				
35	35000	0.000	\$181,260				
Total Acres	3.250 acres			Total Acres	1.400 acres		
GIS Area	142741 sq ft			GIS Area	61962 sq ft		
	3.277 acres				1.422 acres		
Legal Description	PARCEL #0438 FROM #1216 36-06-39 PP006590			Legal Description	TAX 107LESS TAX 123 36-06-39		

Discussion:

The properties are not in city boundaries. The city would need to acquire the property right of way so that we can put in the sidewalk. We would put sidewalks on the north side only at this time. The property owners have not been notified yet. The property owners would have higher taxes. Council Member Mann proposed that some questions be addressed and that a full council be present for further discussion. Questions to be addressed are; right of ways, owners feelings and exactly what we have in mind and the costs.

Staff Reports:

B. Public Works Director John Millar reported on the Task Force meeting that was created to address the concerns associated with the flash flood that happened on July 15th, 2014. They are looking at the areas hardest hit.

The Ricks Palmer subdivision problem with the over-taxing of the pump station. They looked at possible solutions. They looked at short term and long term modifications. They have looked at why the pump tripped out. Even if the pump had not tripped out, he doesn't know if it would have been able to keep up with the water. There are two pumps that run 1 hour each per day, alternating. That day they ran 16 hours. Water was coming from manholes, basement drains etc. They are looking at raising the electrical box at the station. There was eight times the volume of normal operation. They could install manhole pins that block water from running into the manholes at a cost of \$100.00 each. Homeowners could install a backflow device. This would cost \$1000.00 each and would require digging up their yards. A simple plug for \$25.00 could be put on a hose and inserted into the clean out line to plug it. Another device for \$75.00 requires compressed air to plug the line. These devices would need to be close and accessible when needed. They do not stay in the line.

The flooding from the ditch was another problem. They will do a once a month maintenance on the ditch and keep record of all cleaning and modifications. The lift station door has a gasket that keeps water out also. Long term solution is to move the pump station into Rotary Park. Or run a new pressure line into the Kmart lift station.

Written Input:

8/12/2014

Dear Mayor Woodland, Council and task force members:

We live on Rodney drive and our home was one of many that received sewage on the night of July 15, 2014. Brad Wolfe asked at the last city council meeting that we send our comments and questions to the task force to be addressed and answered. We have thought hard and long about things we would like to discuss and have tried to remember as many as we could to include in this letter.

To start with, we found it quite interesting that on the night of August 7th, 2014 that Local New 8 had two news stories back to back. The first story was of the flooding that Blackfoot received on the night of August 6th. They received at least three inches in a very short time. Scott Reese, the Bingham County Emergency Director had already been in touch with Homeland Security as they wanted to know how many homes had been affected. He said well over 100 homes had been affected. There was so much water that it caused their sewer system to back up. They sent out a red alert urging the citizens of Blackfoot not to use the water and not to flush their toilets. At the end of the story, it was stated that the City of Blackfoot was accepting claim forms from their citizens to send off to the city's insurance because of the sewer system backing up.

Counter this with the story that followed, the story that followed was another look at the Rexburg City Council Meeting that was held in Rexburg on the 6^h of August. This showed the citizens frustrated as they tried to get some answers from the public works director, John Millar as to why they had sewage in their homes and what could be done to make sure it wouldn't happen again. John Millar was depicted in the news story as being very defensive and as Carol Honas put it, it seemed as times as if he was on trial.

We bring up this story for many reasons. The first reason is it brings up several questions.

- *Does Rexburg or Madison County have an Emergency Director? If so, who is it?*
- *What kind of emergency plans does Rexburg have in place?*
- *We said in our home as the sewage was coming up out of the drains for two hours, please tell everyone to quit flushing their toilets.*

Maybe it would have made a difference if some type of alert had been sent to the flooded areas asking homeowners not to use water or to flush their toilets. Perhaps the flooding into our homes wouldn't have been so severe.

The other reason we bring up these two stories is to point out how differently the two towns handled the problem. Blackfoot is less than half the size of Rexburg, they had more damaged homes but yet it sounds like they are willing to have the insurance pay for the damage caused by the sewage back up regardless of the reason for the backup. Rexburg on the other hand (or at least the public works director) wants to claim that the city has no liability in this situation because it only happened because of the rain.

The cause of the lift station failing this time was the same as it was in 2006. The only difference was the source of the water. On February 26, 2006 it rained that day along with the spring runoff. As John Millar points out, yes that a small part of the canal was covered over with snow but that was only part of the problem. The snow in addition to the warm weather and rain caused the canal to overflow. As it did so, the city came and breached the canal and let the water overflow into the baseball fields. As homeowners, we are grateful that they did that as we believe it was only two homes received the water in their basements, as the water flooded into their backyards and broke out windows. If the canal hadn't been breached, many more home owners would have had severe flooding into their homes. The rest of us had another problem, there was a lot of water right in front of the lift station again and the lift station quit working causing 11 homes to have sewage back up into their homes.

On July 15, 2014 there was a flash flood but that didn't get into most people's homes in our neighborhood. In fact it was about an hour after the rain had stopped before the sewage came up into our basements. This went on for over two hours before they were able to get the lift station back up. This time it affected 26 homes and caused a lot more damage. It was still the cities system that couldn't handle the overflow of water. John Millar states that there have only been two failures on the lift station. In reality he should say we are lucky that the lift station has only caused damage twice when it has failed. Most every time when there is any heavy rain the water collects into a big pond right in front of the lift station and the city has to come and pump it out. There are also many times that a generator is brought in because the lift station has gone down. Sometimes this is because the power has gone out but many other times the power is still on and for whatever reason they have to bring in a generator.

It is the cities responsibility to maintain the streets, the ditches and the sewer system. They didn't do a good enough job two of those times and it caused sewage to come up into many homes. It shouldn't matter what caused the lift station to fail, it is still the cities responsibility to maintain it adequately so problems like this don't happen. We would like to share a little analogy; it is a very rainy day, with flash floods, drivers are encouraged not to drive through the puddles as it could be dangerous and could also cause problems with their brakes. We ignore that warning and drive through the big puddles. Later that evening we go to stop at an intersection and aren't able to because the brakes are too wet. There is an accident because of this. We tell the other party involved in the accident, "The accident was an act of God, if it hadn't rained, then our brakes wouldn't have been wet and there wouldn't have been an accident, therefore it isn't our

fault and our insurance will not pay for it.” Isn’t this basically what the city is doing? They are claiming no fault because of the rain but it wasn’t rain that caused damage to our homes, it was sewage.

John Millar stated at the meeting held on the 6th of August that the ditch that runs in front of the trailer court and around the back of our houses is owned by the city. He mentioned that the ditch over in Hidden Valley is cleaned out twice a year. He didn’t mention how often the one around our division known as the Ricks/Palmer subdivision is maintained. It is hard to believe it is cleaned out twice a year with all the debris they pulled out on the night of July 15th after the rain had stopped.

- *How often is the ditch/canal cleaned out?*
- *Is there some type of maintenance records keeping track of this?*
- *Whose responsibility is it to maintain the ditch?*

Last of all we have a few questions about the lift station. John Millar was quoted on the news as stating that all the lift stations are upgraded every 10-15 years with new pumps and new electrical. When asked about the specific pump that serves our housing division he said he couldn’t give an answer right off the top of his head.

- *When was the lift station serving our housing area (the pump at the intersection of Rodney and Syringa) last upgraded?*
- *Can the records be given to the community with that information?*
- *Are there maintenance records that record each time a city worker comes to work on that lift station and a description as to what the problem was?*
- *John Millar was asked how many homes the pump station could handle and he said 250.*

Is 250 homes the capacity it can handle or is that how many homes are currently connected to that lift station?

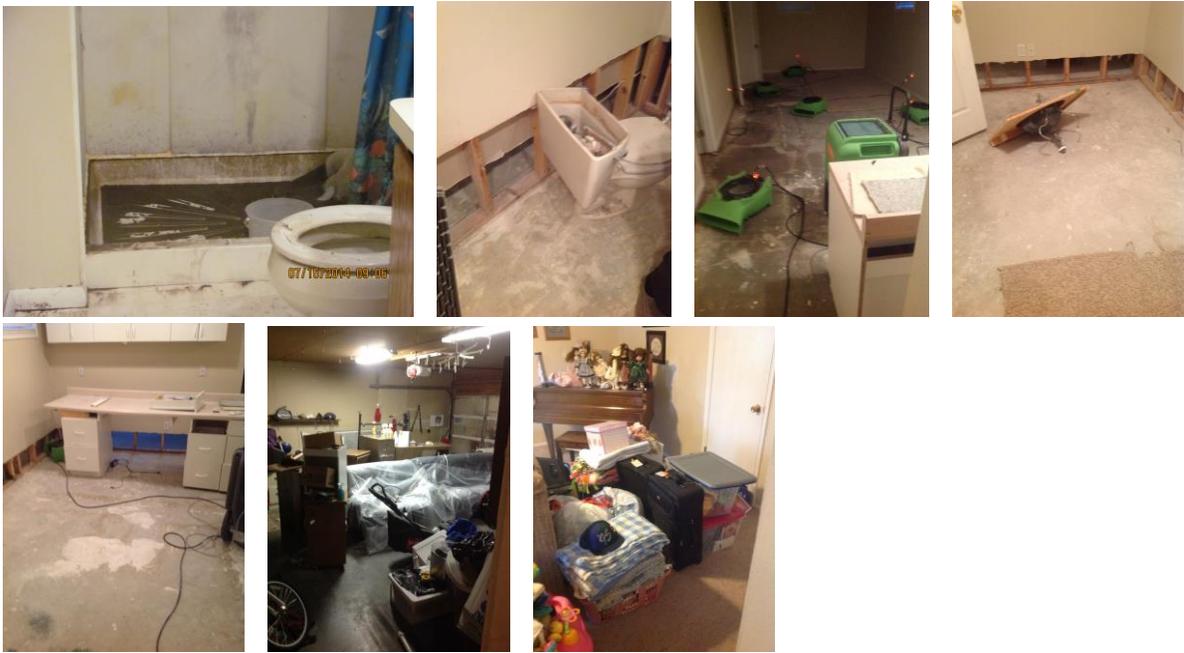
- *What areas are connected to the lift station? It is our understanding that it is the Ricks/Palmer subdivision which includes the trailer park along with the Hidden Valley housing division. If this is the case, there are well over 250 homes; in fact we counted approximately 345 homes in these areas.*

Lastly, as you drive into the city of Rexburg there is a sign that says “America’s Family Community”. Please do what is right and treat the citizens affected with the sewage the way you would want your own family to be treated. Some of us had small amounts of insurance to help as we added an endorsement after the last incident but many of the people affected our young families in their first home that didn’t know about the last incident or that they could add this endorsement to their policy. They are just starting out and don’t really have the money to pay for the damages. Others of us although we had insurance, there isn’t enough coverage to cover all of our damages. We are not a wealthy community but hard working citizens trying our best to make a nice home for our families to live in.

We have enclosed some pictures to show you what it is like to have sewage pouring into our home for two hours, what it is like to see our home torn apart and the conditions that we are now living in while waiting for our home to be fixed in just a very small part of our home with items everywhere. The time is off on some of these pictures as our camera hadn’t been changed to daylight savings time.

*Thank you,
Traci and Kevin Sessions*





8/21/2014

To the Mayor of Rexburg and City Council:

We found out that our original letter dated August 12th was not delivered. I have attached it to the email. After last night's meeting we have a few more questions and comments.

The first thing is at the city council meeting on August 6th, it was mentioned that the city was working with Homeland Security to perhaps get some funds to help out those who were flooded.

What has become of that? Has there been enough flooding in the state, that it could be declared a state of emergency and funds made available that way?

The second thing is, the city keeps saying that the only reason that lift station failed was because of the amount of water that fell in such a short amount of time. If that is the case, shouldn't of there have been lift stations failing all over town since it wasn't an isolated storm? Why is it only our subdivision that ended up with a lot of homes with sewage in them? There are other homes in Rexburg much older than ours that wouldn't have back flow preventers either.

The third thing is, would there be a way to get some type of alarm on that lift station so that if it is getting to where there may be a problem that the residents of the area could hear so that we would know that we need to put the balloon valve in our clean out?

We wish that more comments could have been made at last night's meeting. There was a lengthy conversation in the hallway with Mr. Zollinger and Mr. Millar and some of the residents of our neighborhood. There were many things said that were quite concerning. First, Mr. Zollinger said that there is a computer system on our lift station that tells them if it gets above two feet and then they know that they need to send guys to take care of it. He said the city will continue to send employees out there rather than take any other measures until that becomes cost prohibitive. This is not acceptable. It is already been cost prohibitive to the residents in that area that have had to deal with fixing their basements up twice.

When it was mentioned that nothing was done the last time to fix the problem as promised, Mr. Zollinger said that there it was done. When asked what was done, he said the snow was moved. Some of the same things discussed last night were discussed being done eight years ago and obviously they were not. It makes the citizens doubt the city government when there is no follow through.

Mr. Zollinger also stated that they are on our street anytime there is a problem long before the sewage would come into our house as the lift station has to get up to 3-4 feet before there is a problem and that anytime it is above two feet they get an alert. If this is was true, why didn't they get word out to our area not to flush toilets etc and to watch your drains. We can guarantee they were not on the street before the sewage starting coming up. Many of us were out and about that night after the rain stopped taking pictures of the street and there were no city workers on the street. In fact the rain had been stopped for well over an hour, the sun was out, other than the two big puddles one on Laleene and one on Rodney/Syringa the roads were drying up.

We had already all checked our basements and thought we were in the clear. Our neighbors even went back to working on their roof. My husband left to go to some meetings at church. I continued to check my drain and it was fine. I left to pick up my daughter at 7:00 from work and still no city workers on the street. I was at Wal-mart for about 20 minutes. When we came home

all that we saw was a back hoe on Barney Dairy Road pulling debris out of the canal. My daughter and I were not home but about 5 minutes when the drain started overflowing. I had my daughter hurry and message my husband and he came home from the church to help. He didn't see any city workers at that time. Our neighbors were also still on the roof so they would have noticed workers as well.

Also, there was a lot of debris in the canal that made it to where the water couldn't flow through and it overflowed. Mr. Zollinger is saying that the debris came with the storm. It is our opinion that the debris didn't wash down with the storm, we drove through the storm and saw lots of rock and gravel float down streets but not big tree branches and weeds. This is what was pulled out of the canal. Our neighbor has some pictures of what was pulled out. We are in the process of trying to get copies of those pictures. We didn't go out and take pictures ourselves as we were cleaning out our basement.

The city needs to just step up and have their insurance pay for the damages caused by the sewage.

*Thank you,
Kevin and Traci Sessions*

Council member Wolfe asked how much it would cost to raise the electrical at the existing pump station. Public Works Director Millar said it would be under \$2,000.00.

Council Member Benfield asked about short and long term expenses. Public Works Director Millar said the short term expenses would be around \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00. A new lift station would be \$120,000 a new pressure line to Kmart would be \$200,000 to \$300,000. Another long term proposal would be to pipe the ditch along the east side of the Junior High. That would be \$200,000 to \$300,000.

The Hidden Valley Subdivision - The Palmer's and the Blunck's signed a quit claim deed to all the property above the subdivision over to the city to allow the city to take care of the ditch. The ditch is necessary however it needs to be enlarged. They could also put in a detention basin at the top of the hill at the end of 7th South. Half of the area that contributes run off would be controlled. The structure would be open. More surveying would be needed but the expense would be well worth it. They could also monitor the ditch. The wall next to Leishman's did not extend into the hill. He recommends extending it this year. They would do a sweeping wall to turn the water.

Council Member Busby asked about enlarging the storm drain. Public Works Director Millar doesn't think that was the problem.

Council Member Merrill would like to see the wall done quickly. Public Works Director Millar thinks it could be done for around \$10,000. Another long term solution would be to extend the culvert and add slots. They could better shape the drain ditch behind the Brunson's. Along the north boundary of the subdivision there is a berm that needs to be reshaped for better drainage. There are two areas above Hidden Valley where there could be additional storage drain basins. Another problem area is 2nd E and 5th S. There is a drainage basin in Eagle Wood that needs to be cleaned out and utilized better. Generally, if there is drainage coming toward your home, the window wells need to be raised so that it's not the lowest point of your yard.

Council Member Busby commented that the person who raised their window wells did avoid flooding during the next storm but it did get into the neighbors.

Public Works Director Millar also said that there is a shed in the way but arrangements have been made to move it. There is also a fence on the north side of Aspen Village that has served as a barrier. It needs to be repaired. That would help divert water to the west.

Council Member Wolfe asked if a retaining wall there would cause a bigger issue somewhere else. Millar said that it currently goes into a vacant lot. Perhaps with some grading it could go across that lot.

Council Member Merrill also wondered if it could drain onto city property. Aspen Village would need to be on board with these changes.

Public Works Director Millar commented that older properties did not have storm drain control. Legal issues would need to be addressed. Aspen Village at 545 South 2nd East between 4th and 6th South on 2nd East had water that was 2 inches away from going in the door last night. They were pumping last night. They have an old system that is not adequate. There has been new growth in that area. They plan on being very pro-active in making sure new buildings have storm drain management. Older properties need to be looked at to make sure they are functioning properly. He recommends purchasing a large portable pump that does bigger jobs. The current portable pump only does 200 gallons a minute. A new one would be able to pump 2,000 to 4,000 gallons per minute.

Council Member Wolfe asked about cost – a used one, which would not be ideal due to needs for constant repair, would be about \$25,000. A new 48 inch line is in the process of being installed from 5th west. New pumps at 4th W 7th S could be upgraded. Large capacity pumps could be installed for \$40,000. They have asked the University to be proactive as well.

Council Member Busby suggests a time frame for investigating the university drain systems. Yost area is a problem. Vacuum trucks were there last night. Catch basins were taking a lot of water. They are going to televise those drains. The detention basin on Mariah works great.

Council Member Busby commented on the amount of debris in the canal. He asked if Cammie Muir has talked to the neighbors about that. She said that their homes have six foot fences so it must be coming from above. Her neighbors have not been dumping in the ditch.

Council Member Benfield said that someone from that neighborhood volunteered to clean up but was told it would be \$25.00 to pick up the debris. She would like to set a weekly day that the trucks could pick up flood debris. She would like the front desk to be able to tell those people a day that debris can be picked up.

Public Works Director Millar said that we can pick up as needed without charge. He would like to stay away from regular pick-ups.

Council Member Mann commented that there are some funding sources that can be used and some that cannot. Funds are set aside for certain things. Storm water is not funded by any kind of fee that is collected in the city. We are trying to get funding for that purpose. We need to enforce storm drainage on the new developments. He appreciates all that Public Works Director Millar has done.

Council Member Merrill asked if we are moving right away on the short term fixes. Public Works Director Millar said that it depends on the budget. There is \$45,000 contingency.

Council Member Wolfe asked if an emergency fund could be set up or taken from other areas.

City Attorney Zollinger said that they can't use other funds.

Council Member Busby reminded everyone that other area cities are also addressing the same problems due to flooding; Ammon, Twin Falls, Blackfoot, Idaho Falls.

Mrs. Smith asked if the short term modifications would be done soon. Public Works Director Millar said some things will be done this fall.

Todd Leishman would like to have something done right away. Attorney Zollinger said that we will construct a better wall immediately. Mr. Leishman is concerned about winter coming on.

Mrs. Walker said it was in February, eight years ago that she was flooded. She hasn't seen anything done since then. She is anxious and would like to feel that something is being done.

Council Member Wolfe has been impressed with the task force and he is confident that something will be done soon.

Public Works Director Millar would like everyone to make sure we are aware of any problems.

Council Member Mann was concerned about documentation of calls coming in. He wants to make sure all problems are documented.

Council Member Busby wanted everyone to know that they are welcome at the task force meetings. There was discussion of canal and head-gate to the culvert. It was locked at one time. Public Works Director Millar said that it will be left open. More discussion about drains in front of pump station and capacity of the pump station. (Further discussion will be taken on September 3rd.)

Flood Related Areas of Concern

Area of Concern	Short Term - modifications	Long Term - Improvements
Ricks-Palmer Subdivision	Raise electrical Equip.	New Lift Station with fixed stand-by power
	Install Manhole Pans where needed	New Pressure Line
	Home owners to install backflow devices	Pipe Ditch along the east side of the school property
	Monthly check on ditch and remove debris and record	
	Record any maintenance on the ditch	
	Check and fix access door gaskets on lift station access	
Hidden Valley Subdivision	Acquire land where ditch is located	Fix wall at Leishman's
	Construct detention basin @ 7 th S.	Change culvert at Berntsen's
	Scheduled maintenance on ditch and keep record of conditions	Change berm at North Hill Rd.
		Construct additional storm basins above Hidden Valley
5 th S. 2 nd E.	Modify existing storm water detention basin in Eagle Wood	Work with Aspen Village on the construction of a storm water detention basin
	Howe owners to raise window wells	
	Relocate shed at Kusch's	
	Repair fence along North property line for Aspen Village	
4 th W. 6 th S.	Purchase additional portable pumps for handling storm water	New 48" sewer drain line
	Check all existing up-stream detention basins for functionally	
BYU-I University	Review of all catch and storm basins	
	Detention systems?	

B. Finance Department – Finance Officer Matt Nielson clarified that the Mayor can authorize \$10,000 from contingency; not \$50,000 as was previously stated.

1. BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

City of Rexburg 2015 Budget

Total Budget: \$ 59,896,100 up \$ 8,832,700 from the original 2014 budget.

Operating Budget is approximately \$ 27.5 million of the total, up from approximately \$ 26.2 million from last year.

The **General Fund** has a **\$ 103,700 Contingency** for unforeseen increases in expenditures or reductions in revenues, which is funded by excess carryover reserves that is forecasted to be in the general fund at the end of fiscal year 2014.

Revenues available from the **Street Operations Fund** for maintenance, street reconstruction, and the construction of new streets, is \$ 2,687,000, about \$ 33,300 more than the prior fiscal year budget. Major street projects include the reconstruction of the Cresthaven Subdivision streets and 2nd North between Center Street and 2nd East.

Property tax revenues are estimated to increase about \$ 383,200 to a total of \$ 3,768,400, mostly due to newly constructed buildings. The current City property tax levy rate is at \$ 406 per \$ 100,000 of taxable value, which is still the lowest for most cities in southeast Idaho and other similar size cities.

No new **full-time personnel** positions are scheduled to be funded this budget year. **Increases in utility rates** will be about .7 % for the average homeowner, or about \$.62 per month, which is attributed to an increase in the garbage service due to a large increase in recycling expenses. Wastewater and Water needed no increase.

Included in the budget is the completion of the **Center Street Fire Station Addition** of a second floor, which will begin in Fiscal Year 2014 and be completed in Fiscal Year 2015. The total cost of this project is budgeted to be approximately \$ 1.8 Million. This project is being funded by a CDBG Grant, the Fire District, and the Downtown Urban Renewal District.

The budget includes the **transfer of the old shop** to the police for storage purposes and the **construction of a new shop** to be utilized by the street department and mechanic shop. The budgeted cost is \$ 1 million and the funding is coming from the general fund, street fund, and utility fund.

Major utility construction projects include \$ 9.5 million for a possible water well and additional water infrastructure. Once we have received a report of our current water study it will be determined how much of that budget will be needed and the City Council may choose to sale bonds to fund such construction. More additions to the wastewater treatment plant to eliminate odors and add new capacity for \$ 3,000,000 have been included in the budget. New capacity will be funded by fees charged to new development. Plant upgrades will be funded by user fees.

There will be a major construction project at the **Airport** for reconstruction of the apron. The airport relocation master plan study will also be included in the budget. These projects are funded approximately 92.5% by the FAA and the State of Idaho and the rest by the City and the County.

\$ 410,000 is budgeted for **Riverside Park** that includes the completion of the paved parking and a second access point from 1st East. This improvement is budgeted to be funded by the North Highway Urban Renewal District. The City has budgeted \$ 800,000 to begin constructing a **new baseball/softball quad** at Community Fields and the projected completion date of this project is 2016.

This budget includes the **Community Safety Lighting Fund** of \$ 258,800, which is available for street lighting construction projects, with the remainder budgeted for street light maintenance.

Large Equipment Capital purchases include a backhoe in streets for \$ 100,000. In finance, \$ 80,000 is budgeted for fiscal year 2015 as a savings plan to purchase a new financial package. The plan is to continue to save a little each year until we have sufficient monies in reserve to make this purchase when needed.

2. Budget Summary Report:

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FY 2014

BUDGET SUMMARY REPORT
10 months ending 7/31/2014

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EXPENDITURES	BUDGET	ACTUAL	83%	FORECAST
OPERATING EXPENDITURES				
Mayor & Council & MYAB	281,000	225,557	80%	276,300
Economic Development	206,800	164,709	80%	208,900
Arts	218,400	255,126	117%	272,100
Customer Services	295,600	251,288	85%	303,900
Information Technology	405,800	300,695	74%	373,600
Financial Management	786,600	665,211	85%	803,200
Legal Services	221,600	189,405	85%	219,000
Planning & Zoning	160,600	128,927	80%	152,300
Building Safety	760,000	524,528	69%	632,700
GIS	459,000	316,312	69%	395,300
Emergency Services	3,800,400	2,075,646	55%	3,014,400
Golf Courses	470,900	367,852	78%	446,200
Parks & Ball Diamonds	1,241,300	347,574	28%	1,181,400
Recreation Administration & Programs	338,700	246,789	73%	321,500
Riverside Aquatic Center	474,100	229,746	48%	373,300
Miscellaneous: MYAB, Airport, Legacy Flight Museum	170,800	89,855	53%	139,600
Police Department				
Administration Division & Fund 09	1,066,600	873,868	82%	1,073,300
Patrol Division & Funds 13	1,903,500	1,556,565	82%	1,863,200
Investigations Division	642,200	521,779	81%	634,700
Community Services Division & Funds 08,11,14	537,100	405,922	76%	534,400
Total Police Department	4,149,400	3,358,134	81%	4,105,600
Public Works				
Public Works Director & Engineering	584,000	398,705	68%	566,400
Shop	464,900	296,168	64%	457,900
Sanitation	1,666,800	1,378,322	83%	1,656,200
Water	1,974,700	1,530,345	77%	1,926,500
Wastewater	3,781,900	2,688,609	71%	3,715,000
Street Operations	1,898,300	1,296,062	68%	1,698,900
Street Repair Contracts	1,435,000	30,853	2%	1,308,000
Total Public Works	11,805,600	7,619,064	65%	11,328,900
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	26,246,600	17,356,418	66%	24,548,200
NON-OPERATING EXPENDITURES				
General Fund Contingency	67,900		0%	
General & Street Fund Transfers	1,845,500		0%	1,482,500
Construction 08,30,31,32,36,39,41,42,44,46,49,51-58,82,85	10,902,900	1,772,796	16%	7,575,530
Contributed Capital	3,600,000		0%	3,650,000
Capital Reserve Funds 07,18,20,33,34,35,38	7,993,500	1,079,751	14%	5,371,700
LID Debt Service Funds 59-69	271,200	124,837	46%	274,900
Trust & RLF Funds 15,16,19,21,22,90,91	809,500	356,392	44%	853,300
TOTAL NON-OPERATING EXPENDITURES	25,490,500	3,333,776	13%	19,207,930
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR ALL FUNDS	51,737,100	20,690,194	40%	43,756,130

Budget Summary Report (Cont.):

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REVENUES	BUDGET	ACTUAL	83%	FORECAST
OPERATING REVENUES				
Fund Balances for Operations	1,179,100		0%	932,200
Property Tax	3,385,200	3,225,387	95%	3,385,200
Interest	163,200	138,884	85%	132,600
State Taxes & Grants	2,066,200	1,487,856	72%	2,087,800
Miscellaneous	587,400	464,900	79%	555,600
Utility Charges	7,599,800	6,435,160	85%	7,875,000
Permits & Licenses	634,600	821,069	129%	919,200
Franchise Fees	1,526,600	1,214,228	80%	1,552,400
Parks, Recreation, Museums, Arts	1,103,700	711,295	64%	988,800
County Road Tax	650,000	710,183	109%	730,000
Operating Contributions	3,567,800	2,067,783	58%	4,075,200
Interfund Charges for Services	3,657,400	2,234,440	61%	3,595,800
Fund Transfers for Operations	1,081,300		0%	1,119,200
Federal Grants	752,200	3,700	0%	698,200
Reimbursements			0%	
Contingent Revenues for Operations	0	0	0%	0
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	27,954,500	19,514,885	70%	28,647,200
NON-OPERATING REVENUES				
Contributed Capital	3,600,000	0	0%	4,100,000
Construction Funds	10,412,500	13,193	0%	7,545,600
Capital Reserve Funds	7,993,500	2,058,757	26%	8,179,900
LID Funds	271,200	136,116	50%	361,700
Trust Funds	750,000	495,407	66%	1,702,200
Fund Transfers In	755,400	305,100	40%	630,900
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES	23,782,600	3,008,573	13%	22,520,300
TOTAL REVENUES ALL FUNDS	51,737,100	22,523,458	44%	51,167,500

OPERATIONS SUMMARY				
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	27,954,500	19,514,885	70%	28,647,200
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	26,246,600	17,356,418	66%	24,548,200
---NET OPERATIONS	1,707,900	2,158,467	4%	4,099,000

NON-OPERATIONS SUMMARY				
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES	23,782,600	3,008,573	13%	22,520,300
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	25,490,500	3,333,776	13%	19,207,930
---NET CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS	-1,707,900	-325,203	0%	3,312,370

TOTAL ALL REVENUES	51,737,100	22,523,458	44%	51,167,500
TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES	51,737,100	20,690,194	40%	43,756,130
NET ALL REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		1,833,264	4%	7,411,370

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CASH BALANCE REPORT

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	BALANCE AS OF	
CASH & INVESTMENTS*	6/30/2014	
Bank Of Commerce Legacy Flight Museum Checking	34,428	
Beehive Credit Union CD	248,893	
Cash On Hand	2,850	
Citizens Community Bank CDARS	3,888,647	
Citizens Community Bank Checking	1,148	
Fire District Cash & Investments	1,082,353	
Revolving Loan Fund Checking	121,846	
State Diversified Bond Fund	7,007,012	
State Local Government Investment Pool	705,867	
Wells Fargo Bank Police Checking	0	
Zions Bank Collateralized Acct	4,787,002	
Zions Bank General Checking	512,381	
Zions Bank Payroll Checking	16,257	
TOTAL	18,388,684	* Per Bank Statements

3. Treasurer's Report:

CITY OF REXBURG
TREASURER'S EXPENDITURE REPORT BY FUND
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE ENDING 07/31/14 @ 83% of the fiscal year 2014

#	FUND	WAGES	CAPITAL	OTHER	TOTAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	END BAL.
01	GENERAL	3,208,586	247,526	2,731,015	6,187,127	9,759,500	63%	3,854,318
02	STREET OPERATIONS	375,102	17,420	903,540	1,296,062	2,653,700	49%	503,884
03	RECREATION	22,338		85,937	108,275	176,100	61%	-2,161
04	TABERNACLE (Aud./Museum)	13,327	34,714	43,236	91,277	82,100	111%	-55,627
05	TABERNACLE ORCHESTRA		434	6,139	6,573	7,500	88%	-12,424
07	POLICE IMPACT FEES			90	90	40,000	0%	-50,297
08	POLICE D.A.R.E.			6,284	6,284	18,800	33%	-4,307
09	POLICE DRUG INTERD./EDUC.		23,000	2,632	25,632	20,700	124%	1,123
13	POLICE SMALL GRANTS	31,081		16,159	47,240	62,200	76%	-32,592
14	POLICE ANIMAL CONTROL	40,962		39,472	80,434	101,800	79%	-58,864
17	FIRE OPERATIONS	1,033,119	20,113	989,726	2,042,958	2,698,000	76%	-931,229
18	JOINT FIRE EQUIPMENT		467,517	0	467,517	621,000	75%	-47,246
19	MADISON FIRE DISTRICT		7,040	292,017	299,057	655,900	46%	1,075,777
20	FIRE IMPACT FEES			0		54,700	0%	71,260
21	ESD REXBURG EMPLOYEE			24,969	24,969	39,700	63%	34,449
22	REVOLVING LOAN		14,358	0	14,358	59,500	24%	1,266,132
23	REXBURG RAPIDS	83,116		146,630	229,746	474,100	48%	160,605
24	LEGACY FLIGHT MUSEUM	42		45,880	45,922	129,200	36%	48,014
25	UTILITY(Garbage,Water,Sewer)	710,549	2,040,509	3,695,068	6,446,126	9,023,400	71%	29,854,413
28	BUILDING SAFETY/P&Z	333,880	51,826	267,750	653,456	920,600	71%	559,243
29	GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYS.	163,299	7,106	145,907	316,312	459,000	69%	-36,494
32	ESD FIRE STATION ADDITION		72,279	0	72,279		0%	-72,279
33	STREET IMPACT FEES			0		325,000	0%	321,519
34	WATER CAPITAL RESERVE			0		3,000,000	0%	1,613,722
35	SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE			381,483	381,483	3,411,000	11%	3,129,393
36	ARTS PROMULGATION			0		142,500	0%	89,760
37	FIRE PARAMEDIC CARE UNIT	3,618	3,594	25,476	32,688	1,102,400	3%	80,175
38	PARKS IMPACT FEES		230,660	0	230,660	541,800	43%	1,084,379
39	TRAILS OF MADISON COUNTY			119	119	100,000	0%	-119
40	ROMANCE THEATER	25,271	10,513	45,089	80,873	65,000	124%	-66,264
41	RIVERSIDE PARK CONSTRUCTION		2,437	0	2,437	300,000	1%	79,077
42	WATER TANK AND WELL		298,874	0	298,874	2,500,000	12%	-298,874
43	STREET REPAIR CONTRACTS		26,937	3,916	30,853	1,435,000	2%	451,335
44	STREET NEW CONSTRUCTION		77,093	0	77,093	2,300,000	3%	-76,915
45	MAYOR'S YOUTH COMMITTEE			3,362	3,362	3,500	96%	-450
46	SEWER & WATER LINE EXTENSION		91,341	318	91,659	1,000,000	9%	-91,659
47	AIRPORT OPERATIONS	4,322		12,260	16,582	21,500	77%	-28,490
48	AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION		3,874	0	3,874	1,424,000	0%	22,995
50	GOLF COURSE OPERATIONS	978	37,670	329,204	367,852	470,900	78%	1,340,105
51	GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION			341	341	60,000	1%	-626,956
52	SEWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION		352,184	0	352,184	3,500,000	10%	1,011,652
53	-59 LID CONSTRUCTION		614,950	1,669	616,619	1,300,000	47%	-608,251
60	-79 LID DEBT SERVICE			124,837	124,837	271,200	46%	-315,117
81	REXBURG ARTS COUNCIL FUND	17,539		58,864	76,403	63,800	120%	-43,473
82	BROADBAND FIBER INITIATIVE		14,117	0	14,117		0%	283
83	EI BUSINESS COMPETITION			13,235	13,235	11,200	118%	-9,256
85	COMMUNITY SAFETY LIGHTING		186,701	56,494	243,195	276,400	88%	68,740
90	VETERANS MEMORIAL		324	0	324	6,000	5%	5,468
91	SHOP WITH A COP			9,731	9,731	19,100	51%	11,771
92	ESD ARCHER EMPLOYEE			0		12,500	0%	
93	ESD PIPES & DRUMS			7,951	7,951	16,800	47%	4,193
TOTAL		6,067,129	4,955,111	10,516,800	21,539,040	51,737,100	42%	43,274,441

Citizens are invited to inspect the detailed supporting records of the above financial statement.

Council Member Busby asked what the Trust Funds are. They are funds that we manage for other people like the Pipes and Drums, Veterans Memorial, ESD Paid Call, etc.

Council Member Benfield asked for the last 3 transfers out of the contingency fund. CFO Neilson reported that we started out with \$100,000. \$27,300 was moved out for a records management system for the Police Department, \$4,800 was moved out for Web Server up-grade, then \$9,000 for a benefits budget increase for retiring CFO, Richard Horner, then some was used for traffic cones and some for TRPA, \$4,200 for splash park repairs.

Council Member Mann asked for a report on impact fees at next meeting.

Council Member Busby asked about \$9,100 for mowing? Discussion about how funds are divided with the county for airport maintenance.

Council Member Busby asked about Rexburg Rapids \$11,000 natural gas bill to heat pool. The pool seems to have a leak that needs to be looked into. It has cost more this year due to that leak. The pool may lose money this year. It closes Labor Day.

Calendared Bills and Tabled Items:

A. USE ACTION” – BILLS RECOMMENDED/APPROVED IN A LAND USE PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE: – NONE

B. BILL Introduction: – NONE

C. First Reading: Those items which are being introduced for first reading: – NONE

D. Second Reading: Those items which have been first read:

- 1. Ordinance 1119** - Amend 2014 Appropriation Budget

Discussion:

Council Member Benfield moved to consider Ordinance 1119 to amend the 2014 Appropriation Budget second read; Council Member Busby seconded the motion; Acting Council President Mann asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council Member Mann
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Busby
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

- 2. Ordinance 1120** Rezone approximately 99 Valley River Drive from Light Industrial (L1) to Mixed Use 2 (MU2)

Discussion:

Council Member Mann moved to consider Ordinance 1120 to rezone approximately 99 Valley River Drive from Light Industrial (L1) to Mixed Use 2 (MU2) second read; Council Member Wolfe seconded the motion; Acting Council President Mann asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council Member Mann
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Busby
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

E. Third Reading: Those items which have been second read:

- 1. Ordinance 1118** - 2015 Appropriation Budget

Discussion:

Council Member Benfield moved to consider Ordinance 1118 for the 2015 Appropriation Budget third read and approved; Council Member Wolfe seconded the motion; Acting Council President Mann asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council Member Mann
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Busby
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

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.

- A. Minutes from August 06, and August 13, 2014 meetings
- B. Approve the City of Rexburg Bills

Council Member Mann moved to approve the Consent Calendar and pay the bills; Council Member Benfield seconded the motion; Acting Council President Mann asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council Member Mann
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Busby
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

Adjourned at 9:06 P.M.

APPROVED:

Christopher Mann, Acting Council President

Attest:

Mary L. Flanary, Deputy City Clerk