

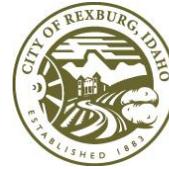
City Council Meeting

February 19, 2014

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CITY OF
REXBURG
America's Family Community

February 19, 2014

Mayor Richard Woodland

Council Members:

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

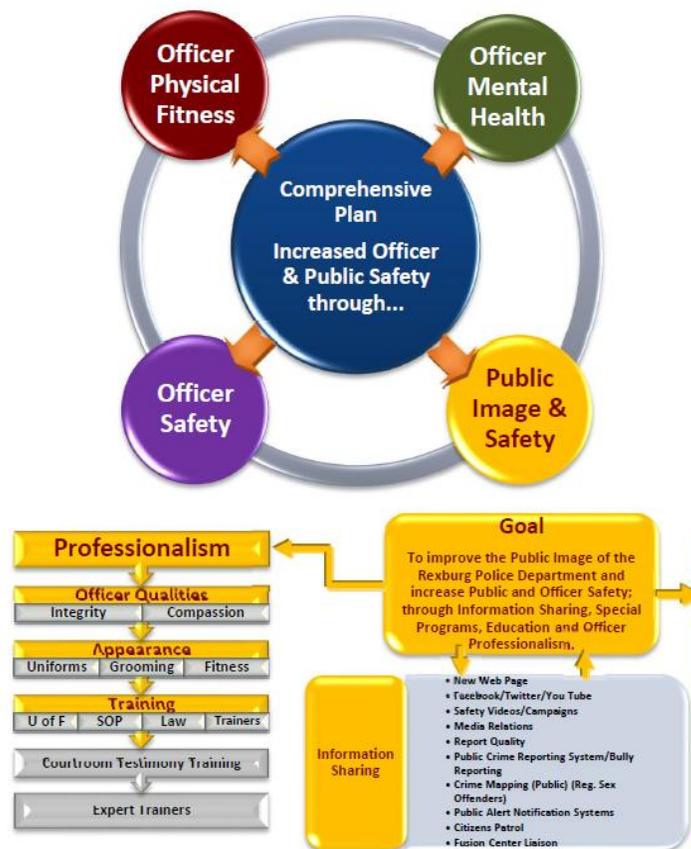
City Staff:

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

6:00 P.M. City Hall – Work Meeting

A. **Police Department's Comprehensive Safety Plan** as well as a "heads up" on a couple of budget items that will be coming up for our next budget year.

RPD Comprehensive Safety Plan



Police Chief Shane Turman reviewed the Rexburg Police Department's Comprehensive Safety Plan. It will help create a safer community and help keep the police officers safer. The four targeted areas of safety are Physical Fitness, Mental Health, Safety, and Public Image & Safety.

1. **Physical Fitness** tests are conducted twice per year. Officers have the opportunity to exercise three times a week while on duty.
2. **Mental Health** includes time away from the job. They need to use their vacation time and spend time with their families.
3. **Officer Safety** includes fire arms training. It is one of the strictest in the state. If they miss the target in a training session, they are not allowed to carry a weapon until they pass the test. There are set trainings during the year including life safety, life support, etc.
4. **Public Image & Safety** includes social media including Facebook, a web page, Twitter, etc.

Mayor Woodland said that he thinks the Police Force is very professional.

Council Member Smith asked about the number of officers; Chief Turman said there are 29 police officers in Rexburg. He introduced his patrol officers: Lieutenant Ball, Lieutenant Foster, Captain Lewis, Lieutenant Erikson, and Sergeant Hagen. Out of 68 cities; Rexburg is 62nd on number of officers per capita.

Council Member Mann asked for more help on broken street lights.

Council Member Busby thanked the police force for their attentive behavior to school students. He also asked about how many officers there are on duty during the day vs. during the night.

Police Officer Foster indicated three traffic patrol officers are on coverage during the day; two traffic patrol officers are on the swing shift for street patrol.

Chief Turman indicated the Police Officers visit the schools on a random basis to keep up a police presence. He reviewed the coverage needed on the BYU-I campus since 2008 when the city took over campus coverage. BYU-I does maintain a private security force while the city maintains police coverage for the campus.

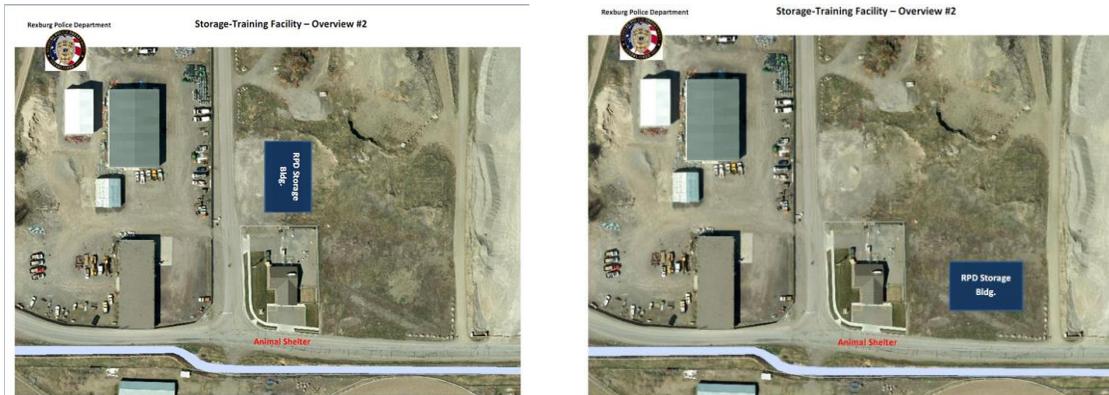
Chief Turman asked Lieutenant Foster to introduce a presentation on a new police storage unit.

Lieutenant Corey Foster said they are in need of a storage place for radar trailers and other equipment.

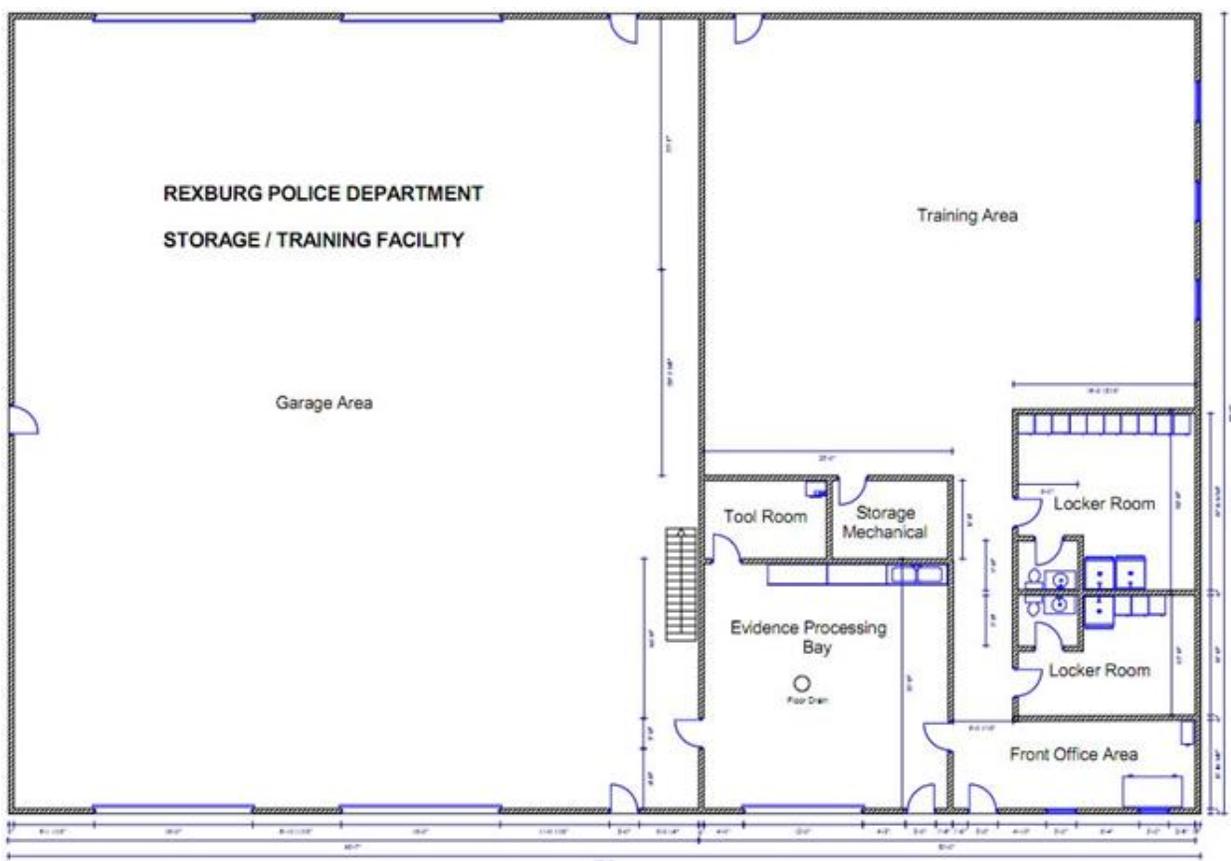


REXBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT STORAGE / TRAINING FACILITY

Lieutenant Foster said the police department has a lot of equipment that needs a storage place. The speed trailers cost about \$10,000; so they want to take care of this equipment. Other equipment including a reader board needs to be sheltered from the weather. The command center is a trailer that is not under storage, and is no longer large enough for their needs. The evidence van needs a place to be stored. All these items plus a training facility are needed to save money in the long term.



They proposed to build a storage building to warehouse the equipment and have a place to process items from search warrants. One location for a storage building would be north of the dog shelter. A second location would be east of the dog shelter. The items needing storage are valued at about \$149,000. The proposed building would cost about \$150,000 for phase one (open shell) of the building project. Phase two would add a concrete finish for about \$50,000. Phase three would be another \$75,000 to finish off the interior of the building. The total project would be \$275,000 which can be phased in over time. A grant is not available for this project.



Council Member Merrill asked if any of the equipment is stored on the street. Officer Foster said the equipment is not put out on the street during icy conditions.

Council Member Mann asked Mayor Woodland how the Police Department should proceed with the request. It was suggested to put the proposal in the budget cycle. Council Member Mann asked if the city police issue tickets in the county or if the county sheriff's deputies issue tickets in the city. Chief Turman said if the crime started in the city, then, the pursuit can continue. The county sheriff's office can issue tickets in Rexburg.

Officer Collin Erickson reviewed license plate reader software which could be located at some street lights. Examples of uses for the information gathered with a license plate reader include missing persons, child abduction, stolen cars, sex offenders, and bank robberies. He reviewed a recent bank robbery where officers spent hours looking for a vehicle to help solve the crime. This reader would cost \$50,000 in phase one. Chief Turman said it could be used to search for stolen cars.

Phase 1 – West Main St.



Phase 2 – University Avenue



Phase 3 - 2nd E & U.S. 20



Cell Tower network



Chief Turman said these items are important to the department; however, the building would be the first priority. They are nearing the completion of payments on the dog shelter.

Council Member Benfield thanked the Police Department for everything they do for the City of Rexburg.

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

Boy Scout Brandon Spencer from Troop 118 led the pledge.

Kendall Russell said the prayer.

Roll Call of Council Members:

Attending: Council President Smith, Council Member Benfield, Council Member Mann, Council Member Busby, Council Member Merrill, Council Member Wolfe, and Mayor Woodland.

Council Member Busby moved to add two items to the agenda: “**Separate sealed bids for the 2000 South Sanitary Sewer Project**”; also, the Police Department have vehicles to surplus; Council Member Benfield seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

- Council President Smith
- Council Member Benfield
- Council Member Mann
- Council Member Busby
- Council Member Merrill
- Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

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

Steve Oakey thanked the Mayor and City Council for the opportunity to have public comment. He referred to an article in the **Pittsburgh Post Gazette** entitled “Pittsburgh Jitney Service Illegal, but Thriving”, dated *September 7, 2013 8:00 AM*; the article was written by Timothy McNulty of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. Mr. Oakey read clips from the article about public transportation done by startup businesses. He said the spontaneous growth service is a privately run mini-bus operation that competes for customers. He brought the issue forward to discuss the city’s recent commitment to support a regional transportation plan. He quoted sections of the article:

“An estimated 120,000 people use jitneys every day in New York, which if legitimate would make them among the nation's top 25 transit providers. There, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority briefly regulated jitneys after bus routes were reduced in 2010, and residents elsewhere have leaned on the illicit cab systems after cuts in their cities.”

Mr. Oakey said the article indicates such private transportation services serve low income neighborhoods with low automobile ownership and little to no public service that thrive when left alone by government regulation including taxi cartels and unionized public transportation.

Mr. Oakey referred to other private start-up transportation companies around the country (who respond to demand in the market) including “Hoover Cab”, “Side Car”, “Insta-Cab”, “Lift” and other providers like “Google” which provides transportation to some of its employees. Rexburg has similar entrepreneurs like “RPM Bus”, “Rexburg Taxi Gringos” and the “Ivy Apartments student transport”. These are examples of businesses that can exist without government subsidies from tax revenues.

Mr. Oakey asked for clarification from the city concerning the city’s support of public transportation. He referred to February 5th, 2014 where some City Council members did not want to compete against private transportation businesses; however, Mr. Oakey referred to a draft letter from Charles Dickson’s Draft Findings in the January 22, 2014 minutes: *“The City of Rexburg should seek funding to design a system that fits the needs of the city, maintains local control over the service and is the best fit for the region. Steps in this process would be:*

- *Review service in towns with similar characteristics (i.e. other small cities with a large college student population). A sketch of AppalCart is attached. AppalCart serves Watauga County and the City of Boone, NC. Watauga County has a population of 51,000 and Boone’s population is 17,000.*
- *Begin a process of engaging citizens, BYU-I, students and other stakeholders in a discussion of the need for and goals of a city transit service.*
- *Begin planning for a service that would:*
 - *Maximize travel speeds*
 - *Serve multiple destinations*
 - *Creates maximum benefit for the lowest possible cost*

Begin process of applying for a long-term technical assistance grant from the Community Transportation Association to accomplish these goals.

Note: Summarizing Jan Brown’s comment from the December 18th, 2013 minutes: *Mr. Dickson from Washington DC representing (CTAA) Community Transportation Association of America is a very legitimate national group focused on rural transportation systems.*

Mr. Oakey summarized his comments referring to the city joining LINX to form a public-private cartel in support of public transportation. He asked the City Council to provide an official statement on their position in respect to public and private transportation. He asked for a motion from the City Council to place this issue on the City Council’s near term agenda a public discussion concerning the city’s policies and intentions regarding allowing (established or potential transportation services) a free and competitive market without competition from tax subsidized (so called public or community transportation) services.

Juliana Davenport from Rexburg (representing the Rexburg Dog group) talked about the need for a Dog Park for the citizens of Rexburg. They currently meet at Eagle Park in an open area; however, they want a fenced area in a permanent location for citizens to take their dogs for social interaction.

Presentations:

A. 2013 Audit Report – Rudd & Company PLLC

Brad Reed from Rudd & Company presented the Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2013.

He indicated their audit included the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund, information of City of Rexburg, Idaho for the year ended September 30, 2013. He read from the audit report. *“Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated July 22, 2013. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.”*

Mr. Reed handed out hard copies of the Audit Report. He indicated the audit is a state requirement for an annual audit. It helps maintain financial controls for the city. It also can give suggestions for proper financial procedures. It takes four people about a week to review the city’s financial records.

Mr. Reed reviewed the 67 different city financial accounts that are tested in the audit. They do not test the transactions at a 100% level; however, they do selective reviews of city transactions.

There were no issues found in the audit; the funds were properly stated. Management’s Discussion and Analysis is on pages 4-18. It gives a brief overview of how the city did during the year. On page 18, the Actual Operating Revenue pie chart was reviewed.

Page 20 of the audit has the Statement of Activities. Mr. Reed stated that there was a net profit of about 2 million dollars in the Governmental Activities and a net profit of about 2.6 million dollars in Business-Type Activities.

Page 21 is the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds. The city has the most control over the General Fund. The total liabilities and fund balance for the General Fund was \$3,787,760. Mr. Reed recommended having 3-4 months (25%) of expenditures in the funds balance. Compared to last year, the General Fund showed a slight increase.

Council Member Benfield asked about the current fund balance percentage; Mr. Reed said it is about 30% as of September 30, 2013. The new electronic revenue collection equipment has been improving at Rexburg Rapids and the Golf Course.

Council Member Merrill asked if additional controls are needed; Mr. Reed said the current controls are adequate for the amount of revenue collected at offsite locations.

Deputy Finance Officer Matt Nielson said the Combining Balance Sheet on page 57 is a good page to review.

Council Member Mann moved to accept the Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2013 as presented; Council President Smith seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Mann
Council Member Busby
Council Member Merrill
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

B. Resolution 2014 - 03 Fair Housing – Rick Miller (The Development Company)

Note: This resolution is part of the packet for the Fire Departments construction project.

City Clerk Kay indicated the Fair Housing Resolution is required for the grant writing process. It is an annual process to reaffirm the city’s commitment to fair housing.

Fair Housing Resolution 2014 – 03

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS OF the City of Rexburg that discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender or national origin in the sale, rental, leasing or financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing or in the provision of brokerage services is prohibited by Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act (Federal Fair Housing Law).

It is the policy of the City of Rexburg to encourage equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, gender or national origin. The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 expands coverage to include disabled persons and families with children. Therefore, the city does hereby pass the following Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED that within available resources the City will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, disability or familial status to seek equity under federal and state laws by referring them to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Compliance Division.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Rexburg shall publicize this Resolution and through this publicity shall encourage owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law and amendments and any applicable state or local laws or ordinances.

SAID PROGRAM will at a minimum include: 1) publicizing this resolution; 2) posting applicable fair housing information in prominent public areas; 3) providing fair housing information to the public; 4) preparing a fair housing assessment; and 5) declaring April as Fair Housing Month.

This Resolution shall take effect February 19, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD S. WOODLAND, MAYOR of City of REXBURG, IDAHO, Madison County, do hereby proclaim April 2014 to be

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

In the City of REXBURG, Madison County, State of Idaho.

Passed by the City Council and approved by the Mayor on the 19th day of February, 2014.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at the City of REXBURG, Madison County in City Hall on this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord 2014.

Richard S. Woodland, Mayor

ATTEST:

Blair D. Kay, City Clerk

Discussion:

Council Member Merrill moved to approve the ***Fair Housing Resolution 2014 – 03*** as presented; Council President Smith seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye
Council President Smith

Those voting nay
None

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

The motion carried.

Committee Liaison Assignments for 2014:

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

Council Member Mann reported the Golf Board did not meet. They will meet March 1st; Emergency Services have not met; MYAB took valentines to The Homestead and other nursing homes. Council Member Mann attended The Taffeta's show put on by the Arts Council at the Romance Theater and said it had great attendance. The director and lighting people praised Daniel Torres for his dedicated work on the show.

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

Council Member Busby reported his committees have not met.

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

Council Member Benfield reported the Teton Flood Museum is doing great; she wanted to let everyone know there are a Teton Dam Flood Museum and a Children's Museum. The police gave a great report during the work meeting. Council Member Benfield commended them for all that they do and thanked them for their presentation. None of her other committees had met.

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

Council Member Smith reported Legacy Flight Museum Committee has not met; the Arts Council met last Thursday. The Arts Council is asking for permission to sell the old Tabernacle windows from the Tabernacle remodel and they want the money to go towards the Arts Council account. There are eleven large windows salvaged from the tabernacle. The windows will be converted instead of surplused. On March 3rd M.E.P.I. will be having a luncheon to honor last year's donors.

Discussion: Council Member Smith said the Arts Council will be very happy.

Council Member Busby moved to approve the sale of the Tabernacle windows; Council Member Benfield seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Mann
Council Member Busby
Council Member Merrill
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

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

Council Member Merrill reported the school board levy request is coming up for a vote in May. He asked everyone to vote their conscience. Recreation Programs are going good. Urban Renewal is working on the Fire Station Project. The North District for Urban Renewal is being worked on right now for Wal-Mart.

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

Council Member Wolfe reported Planning and Zoning met last time to approve a use permit for a twin home. There are many twin homes in the area. The other item is on the agenda tonight.

Mayor's Report:

Weather report

Safest City in the United States of America:

Chief Turman read a letter from the research site the NeighborhoodScout awarding Rexburg as the 18th Safest city in the state for all cities with a population of 25,000 or more.



Mayor Woodland said it is accomplished with fewer police than other locations.

Public Hearings – NONE

Items for Consideration:

- A. Conditional Use Permit to allow Dairy Products** in a Light Industrial zone at 229 & 241 South 5th West. There will be a small artisan cheese plant and artisan bakery for manufacturing of the products for a growing wholesale business to high end cheese shops, restaurants, and specialty food stores. - Kendall Russell (*Planning and Zoning recommended approval to City Council on February 6, 2014*)

Discussion:

Kendall Russell in Rexburg reviewed the proposal on the overhead screen. The milk barn is in Salem. The FDA is over regulation of the cheese industry. The future will require cheese making to be done off site from the dairy. Mr. Russell reviewed the location where the small artisan cheese plant and artisan bakery will be located. They employ students from BYU-I in their cheese making operation. They sell to high-end retail markets with 30-40% of their sales made in Farmer's Markets. It is a quiet, low key environment.



Discussion:

Council Member Merrill moved to approve the **Conditional Use Permit to allow Dairy Products** in a Light Industrial zone at 229 & 241 South 5th West; where there will be a small artisan cheese plant and artisan bakery for manufacturing of the products for a growing wholesale business to high end cheese shops, restaurants, and specialty food stores; Council Member Busby seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Mann
Council Member Busby
Council Member Merrill
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

Mr. Russell asked for a permanent location for the Rexburg Farmer's Market at a city park location.

Discussion:

Staff Reports:

A. Public Works: – John Millar

1. Approval of Transportation Master Plan Study Consultant

Public Works Director Millar reviewed the bid list for the Transportation Master Plan Study. The Regional Planning Organization is funding the transportation study. The ranking process was done to rank the proposals. Horrocks is the most qualified to do the study. The price will be negotiated on scope and price work. Council Member Busby asked what criteria would be studied. Public Works Director Millar said a firm qualified to study transportation needs was needed; which goes beyond our experience. The study will look at conflicted areas including 12th West and 2nd East. The work will be done in 2014. Council President Smith referred to the long term corridor study for the East Belt Way.

Public Works Director Millar said the last Transportation Study was done 10-12 years ago.

Council Member Merrill asked what the study would do for the city if we already know where the problems are located. Public Works Director Millar said the study is required for ITD funding; also, computer modeling has progressed to help identify problems as the population grows. The last transportation study proposed suggestions that were not feasible.

Discussion on the cost of the study.

Public Works Director Millar said lower price demands provide fewer solutions. Council Member Mann asked how this would fit into Envision Madison. Other transportation studies have not yielded fruit. Public Works Director Millar said the city is asking for solutions that can be implemented in the next five years. Council Member Merrill asked about the process to determine what proposal would be valued by the city. Public Works Director Millar said the Regional Planning Organization will closely monitor the process to keep it useful for the city. Rexburg and Madison County funding is being utilized.

Council President Smith asked for more information concerning the Regional Planning Organization made up of Rexburg, Sugar City and Madison County. Public Works Director Millar reviewed the organization and how it differs from the National Planning Organization. Local jobs can be done or funded jointly by having a RPO to join government bodies together to get funding for local projects.

RFQ Results CITY OF REXBURG Madison County						
APP	John M.	John W.	Keith D.	Dave W.	TOTAL	RANK
Engineering Firm						
Horrocks	92	110	78	96	376	1
Forsgren	80	75	76	65	296	3
Keller	75	75	80	81	311	2
Sixmile	dnr				0	dnr
Civil Science	dnr				0	dnr
HDR	dnr				0	dnr
JUB	dnr				0	dnr

Council Member Busby moved to approve the low bid from **Horrocks** to begin negotiations for the Transportation Master Plan Study; Council President Smith seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
 Council Member Benfield
 Council Member Mann
 Council Member Busby
 Council Member Merrill
 Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

2. **Separate sealed bids for the 2000 South Sanitary Sewer Project**, will be received by the City of Rexburg, Idaho. The Bids will be received at City Hall, 35 North 1st East, P.O. Box 280, Rexburg, ID 83440 until 3:30 P.M. on **February 18, 2014**. Then at said office publicly opened and read aloud shortly thereafter. *(The Project consists of the installation of 8" sanitary sewer along with some minor street reconstruction on 2000 South including asphalt and granular subbase material with flowable fill. Replacement of existing curb gutter and sidewalk will be required.)*

Sewer Line on Pioneer Road 11 bidders

Public Works Director Millar reviewed the process for awarding a sealed bid. The bids were opened today for the 2000 South Sanitary Sewer Project. He requested approval for the lowest bidder.

Name	Amount
Knife River	\$ 49,930.00
Edstrom Construction	\$ 52,521.00
Landon Exc	\$ 53,050.00
Jerome Bowen Const	\$ 60,493.25
Zollinger Construction	\$ 62,887.50
Depatco	\$ 68,958.50
3H Construction	\$ 79,418.70
Bybee Excavation	\$ 86,216.50
HK Contractors	\$ 90,120.50
TMC Contractors	\$ 98,500.00
MD Landscape & Excavation	\$ 148,098.75
Engineers Estimate	\$ 86,800.00

Discussion:

Council Member Merrill reviewed the range of bid amounts.

Council Member Wolfe asked for more information on sealed bids. Public Works Director Millar indicated qualified bidders are awarded the low bid by statute. Council Member Busby asked if unanticipated issues are covered. Public Works Director Millar said a buried bomb would qualify as unanticipated.

Council Member Merrill moved to approve the low bid from **Knife River** for the 2000 South Sanitary Sewer Project; Council Member Wolfe seconded the motion; Discussion: the low bids are close. Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Mann
Council Member Busby
Council Member Merrill
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

3. **Pothole discussion:** Potholes can be reported on the web.

Mayor Woodland indicated Community Development Director Christensen has asked for two cars to be added to the fleet by a budget adjustment. It will be requested in a future meeting. Vehicle purchases on the state bid were discussed.

Item added to the agenda:

Police Lieutenant Foster asked to surplus three police vehicles: 1. **Unit number 157** - (2004 Ford Crown Vic with VIN #2FAHP71W74X102984) 2. **Unit number 114** – (2004 Ford Explorer vin # 1FMZU73K34ZA90047) 3. **Unit number 153** – (2004 Ford Crown Vic VIN #2FAHP71WX4X122288)

Council Member Benfield moved to surplus the three vehicles as discussed; Council Member Merrill seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Mann
Council Member Busby
Council Member Merrill
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

B. Finance Department – Richard Horner

Finance Officer Horner indicated he had nothing.

C. GIS Department – Craig Rindlisbacher (**Deferred to a future meeting**)

1. **City/County GIS Staff**

Calendared Bills and Tabled Items:

- A. “LAND 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: – NONE
- E. Third Reading:** Those items which have been second read: – 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.

- A. Minutes from February 05, 2014 meeting
- B. Approve the City of Rexburg Bills

Council Member Smith moved to approve the Consent Calendar and pay the bills; Council Member Busby seconded the motion; Discussion: Aquatic Facilities Utilities was discussed. The gas bill has gone up from last year's bill. It costs about \$2,500 per month to protect the facility when the weather is really cold. The water is not heated; however, the buildings are being heated. The concrete around the pool is holding up. Street light power was discussed. Snow removal costs are down from other years due to new equipment. Private snow removal contractors are hired as needed. The city has three road graders and three road graders are hired as needed. The city has a high volume snow blower to fill 22 yard truck beds that can be filled in 20 seconds.

Mayor Woodland asked for a vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Mann
Council Member Busby
Council Member Merrill
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

Council Member Benfield asked for an executive session per Idaho State Statute 67:2345 (e) To consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies in other states or nations; Council Member Busby seconded the motion; Mayor Woodland asked for a roll call vote:

Those voting aye

Council President Smith
Council Member Benfield
Council Member Mann
Council Member Busby
Council Member Merrill
Council Member Wolfe

Those voting nay

None

The motion carried.

Executive Session: 8:37 P.M.

Executive Session ended: 9:22 P.M.

Adjourned at 9:22 P.M.

APPROVED:

Richard S. Woodland, Mayor

Attest:

Blair D. Kay, City Clerk