



**BLOOMINGTON CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING  
& BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES**

BLOOMINGTON CITY OFFICE  
45 N 1<sup>st</sup> West  
DECEMBER 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Dan Porter, Philip Ward, Cindy Piggott, Marilyn Wilkes, Debbie Thomas, Shanna Spuhler, Roy Bunderson, Rob Allred, Jerry Thornock, David Bee, Eddie Payne, Shawn Turner

7:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order 19:00

Mike Knapp was unable to attend this meet

Invocation: Dan Porter

Pledge of Allegiance: Philip Ward

Bloomington was awarded \$1500 in grant money from the Association of Idaho Cities and Rocky Mountain Power subgrant for park upgrade. Cindy plans to turn the tennis court into a multi-use court.

7:05 CITY SANTA GIFTS

Discussion on gift ideas for city Santa gift – Debbie has purchased full size candy bars, and purchased two candy bars per household. Discussion of having Turner boys to deliver the candy bars. They are planning to do it. Tammy Turner has mended the city's Santa suits. If any cleaning or repairs are needed to the suits, Turners will contact the city to have that arranged.

7:10 P.M. DISCUSSION ON: Sewer Ordinance

- 3.2.2 Connecting and Obtaining Service

Read by Wayne Lloyd – Approved, No discussion

- 4.3 Access to Premises

David Bee didn't feel the ordinance should give the city the right to trespass on city resident's property – instead of saying the city has the right to enter, wording suggested is "in consideration of the city granting access to the city sewer system". The city doesn't want to give the idea that city can enter at any time. Debbie pointed out in the review document, Jane's suggestions were in "red" and the "green" text was an either/or choice and to review each of those and decide which is more appropriate to include in the ordinance. Discussion on which verbiage was better. Take the green verbiage with the addition of the "in consideration" verbiage and remove "free" from in front of access. Approved

Jerry questioned if the city will notify residents if there is an intent to enter their property? Written verbiage says to access within reasonable hours. Approved

- 5.2 Monthly Billing

Added verbiage is clarification of the late fee and possibility to shut off water. Emphasis on water service to acknowledge that the city is aware that this is the sewer ordinance but that water could be affected. Verbiage indicating dollar figures have been removed to prevent the necessity to have to have to rewrite the ordinance but can create a resolution and a fee schedule. Discussion on mandates that restrict when utilities can be shut off and special circumstances with minors, elderly, and individuals with disabilities. Roy brought up concerns about enforcement and whether this verbiage is necessary. Remove verbiage that indicates shut off and a notice.

Jerry questioned if a property goes to foreclosure, how will those fees be collected? The clerk will make a record of delinquent accounts. This record will be kept in the clerk's office. Each year this record will be accessed and a lien will be put on any property and attached to their taxes before the appropriate time that this will need to be completed each year through the county. Approximately in June or July. Approved with the adjustment to the verbiage.

Marilyn asked if she should charge a late fee for water and sewer separately or charge a singular late fee for the two utilities combined. A delinquency fee on each connection was decided. Debbie will write up a letter that will be reviewed by the city council at the next city council meeting, to be sent out to residents and posted on the website.

- 3.5.3 & 3.1

Shawn asks that clarification be made of these two points and to make those two consistent. The B&D will review these two items. The water ordinance also has the same language.

- 5.3 Termination of Water Service for Non-Payment and Protests Procedures

B&D committee will review and clarify. Change header to "Protest Procedures" and remove termination of water service.

- 5.4 Lien and Collection

Clarification if a lien would need to go through the county accessor or treasurer? The "city treasurer" needs to be reworded to the "city clerk." Question noted adding verbiage to have individuals with delinquent accounts to arrange payment plans. Discussion was to keep this verbiage out.

- 6.2 Work on City Streets, Property, or Rights-of-Way

Question on whether this needs additional approval from the city council will be necessary as it may add more work to the city. It was agreed that the verbiage was approved as is.

- 6.8 Sewer Cleanout

Correct the writing to have clean out as two words. Approved, no discussion.

- 7.1 Deprivation of Water Services

To be reviewed and clarified by the B&D

- 7.2 Criminal Penalties

Remove verbiage in regards to allegations/fines, add verbiage to have it referred to the county. B&D will review and clarify.

#### 7:40 WATER GRANT PROPOSAL - (ACTION ITEMS)

Some discussion was held concerning how to move forward with a DEQ grant. This grant is available as a one-time money. The council discussed how the city would want to use the possible funding. Dan will invite Kyle to attend the next city council meeting and inform Debbie what Kyle would like the council prepared to discuss as to possible expenditures of these funds. Debbie will then inform the board of the possible areas of discussion.

- The intake and outlet valves on the tanks were a priority option

Roy - Clarification on the GPS system. Roy spoke with Prime Vision and they said they are having a hard time getting a hold of a GPS system, but they now have one and that they can come meet with the city. It was discussed to have him come to a city council meeting after the first of the year.

Eddy asked about Russell Sorensen property. He was informed of where the city stands at this point.

Eddy also brought up that the new radar signs were being shot at by kids hanging out of a white truck.

Dan stated that the signs are bullet proof but he will check to make sure there is no damage.

Phillip motions to adjourn, Cindy seconds – Vote unanimous – meeting adjourned 20:29

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING DECEMBER 21, 2022