

CITY OF POCA TELLO, IDAHO
CITY COUNCIL LIAISON
WORKING LUNCH
JANUARY 4, 2018

1: ROLL CALL: Mayor Brian Blad called the City Council Liaison Working Lunch to order at 1:01 p.m. Council members present were Heidi Adamson, Roger Bray, Jim Johnston, Gary Moore and Michael L. Orr. Also in attendance were Ruth Whitworth, City Clerk; Jared Johnson, City Attorney; Council-elect Rick Cheatum; Council-elect Linda Leeuwrik; and Nicole Harms, Human Resources Consultant.

2: TRAINING-HUMAN RESOURCES: Nicole Harms gave a training presentation on Customer Service and Active Shooter topics.

Mr. Moore was excused at 1:30 p.m.

Ms. Harms was excused at 1:45 p.m.

3: CITY COUNCIL REPORTS REGARDING CITY BOARDS/COMMISSIONS:

Ms. Adamson gave an update on the following: Parks & Recreation Advisory Board had their annual Christmas Celebration meeting which highlighted achievements for the year; NeighborWorks Pocatello is preparing for their Strategic Planning meeting; the Sister Cities Committee – African subcommittee did not meet. Japanese subcommittee is planning updates to their website. The updates may be separate from the City's website.

Mr. Bray gave an update on the following: Bannock Transportation Planning Organization - Center Street Underpass Project; Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee projects; Human Relations Advisory Committee is preparing for their annual Humanity Award; and Southeast Idaho Community Action Agency (SEICAA) implemented their Christmas Programs.

Mr. Johnston gave an update on the following: Bannock Transportation Planning Organization – gave an overview of who is on the Board and noted that Mori Byington attempts to take minutes while giving a presentation at the meetings. Mr. Johnston feels Mr. Byington should have someone help him at the meetings; Housing Authority of Pocatello – Sunny Shaw, Executive Director, was elected to serve on a Federal Committee. Mr. Johnston would like the Authority to focus on housing needs for the homeless and do more outreach in the community; Library Board – appreciated the article in the Mayor's Newsletter regarding the library; and Pocatello Arts Council – they are encouraging more enhancements of the Arts within the community.

It was mentioned that Council would like a report showing how the Boards and Commissions are managing funds given to them by the City.

Mr. Orr gave an update on the following: Airport Commission - SkyWest will start a fourth flight in March 2018 and he noted the City has a great relationship with SkyWest; Animal Shelter Advisory Board – the Surgery Center at the Shelter is progressing forward; and Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) – Mr. Orr disagrees with some of HPC's activities and shared his concerns.

- 3: CITY ACTIVITIES UPDATE – COUNCIL: No updates were shared.
- 4: CITY ACTIVITIES UPATE – MAYOR BLAD: Mayor Blad gave an update on regarding multiple water rights issues around the State and water access for new development within city limits. He noted that funds to purchase a new vehicle for the Mayor’s Office are available and asked for feedback from the Council regarding the purchase of a newer vehicle. The Mayor’s current vehicle has over 130,000 miles and is not reliable for out-of-town meetings.
- 5: Adjourn.

Mayor Blad adjourned the working lunch at 3:17 p.m.

APPROVED:

BRIAN C. BLAD, MAYOR

ATTEST AND PREPARED BY:

RUTH E. WHITWORTH, CMC, CITY CLERK