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MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE JEROME TOWN COUNCIL JEROME CIVIC CENTER - 600 CLARK STREET - COUNCIL CHAMBERS TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.

<p>ITEM #1:</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL</p> <p>Mayor/Vice Mayor/Chairperson to call meeting to order. Town Clerk to call and record the roll.</p> <p><i>Vice Mayor Currier called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>Town Manager/Clerk Candace Gallagher called roll. Present were Vice Mayor Lew Currier and Councilmembers Randall Hunt, Bill Phinney and Anne Bassett. Mayor Nikki Check had an excused absence.</i></p> <p><i>Other staff in attendance at roll call included Deputy Town Clerk Rosemarie Shemaitis.</i></p>
<p>ITEM #2: 7:06 pm</p>	<p>PUBLIC HEARING ON 2014-15 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY</p> <p>The Mayor and Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2014-15 budget and tax levy for the Town of Jerome. Any taxpayer may appear and be heard in favor of or against any proposed expenditure or tax levy. No increase in the tax levy is proposed.</p> <p><i>Vice Mayor Currier opened the public hearing at 7:06 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>Only one member of the public, Jerome resident Doug Freund, was in attendance.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Freund commented that he wished that Council could have increased the salary for the Zoning Administrator. Ms. Gallagher noted that salaries are a part of the overall budget, so there is some flexibility. Vice Mayor Currier added that we are able to move monies between some line items.</i></p> <p><i>Councilmember Hunt asked, if a member of the public made a good point about the tax levy, would that impede Council's approval of the budget? He said that he understood this to be the last day that we are able to adopt the budget. Ms. Gallagher replied that it is not the last day, but there is a very narrow timeframe, and she believes it would have to be adopted within the next week¹. She added that Council would not be adopting the tax levy at this meeting. That must take place at least 14 days after adoption of the budget, and is scheduled for the regular meeting of August 12.</i></p> <p><i>No one else came forward, and Vice Mayor Currier closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.</i></p>
<p>ITEM #3: 7:08 pm</p>	<p>RESOLUTION #523: ADOPTING THE 2014-15 BUDGET</p> <p>Following the public hearing, the Mayor and Council may approve Resolution #523, adopting the final budget for the Town of Jerome for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.</p> <p><i>Ms. Gallagher noted that there is one change on the State forms: on Schedule B, Tax Levy and Tax Rate Information, a number was omitted. The amount of \$79,480 should be entered on the top line (currently blank) under the column for 2015. She said that its insertion does not change the budget</i></p>

¹ Clerk's note: The budget must be adopted at least 14 days prior to adoption of the tax levy, and the tax levy must be adopted no later than the third Monday in August. For 2014, the latest day to adopt the budget would, then, be August 4.

	<p>numbers in any way.</p> <p>Motion: Councilmember Bassett made a motion to approve Resolution 523, adopting the 2014-15 budget. It was seconded by Councilmember Hunt.</p> <p>Councilmember Bassett said that Ms. Gallagher and staff did a good job, as usual, on the budget, and that she appreciates its "nice, clean presentation." Councilmember Phinney agreed.</p> <p>Vice Mayor Currier commented that the budget process went well.</p> <p>Vice Mayor Currier called the question and the motion was approved by all with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</p>
<p>ITEM #4:</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p> <p>Upon motion by Councilmember Bassett seconded by Councilmember Phinney and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.</p>

Edited by Town Manager/Clerk Candace Gallagher from minutes taken and transcribed by Deputy Town Clerk Rosemarie Shemaitis.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Nikki Check, Mayor

Candace B. Gallagher, CMC, Town Manager/Clerk

Date: _____