

**DALTON GARDENS PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT WORKSHOP & CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, October 23, 2024**

1. **Call to Order:** The Mayor called the workshop to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Curt Jernigan, Councilmembers Sue Supp, Gary Sonnen, Tyler Drechsel, and Scott Jordan

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Clerk Sandy McFarland

3. **Public Comment**

Lucy Jernigan is opposed to having playground equipment at Ward Newcomb Park. She briefly gave her opinion as to why she is opposed.

Mayor Jernigan read Linda Craft's email to Council opposing the playground equipment at Ward Newcomb Park. In her email, she briefly outlined her objections.

Carrie Chase is opposed to having playground equipment at Ward Newcomb Park. She briefly stated her opinion as to why she is opposed.

Sandra Sonnen is in favor of playground equipment at Ward Newcomb Park. She briefly stated her opinion as to why she favors playground equipment.

Robert Wuest voiced his concern about the budget and LGIP. He asked Council to be very cautious about how they spend the city's budget and look for other ways to spend the ARPA money instead of on playground equipment.

Jill Ainsworth presented ideas for outreach and resident engagement regarding playground equipment at Ward Newcomb Park.

4. **Workshop**

Mayor Jernigan initiated a discussion with Council regarding installing playground equipment at Ward Newcomb Park. Each council member provided input on the proposal, citing the reason for their support or opposition. The council agreed that further community input was necessary and brainstormed methods to solicit feedback, including surveys, open

houses, and distributing flyers through local schools. Concerns were also raised regarding Dalton Water Easement and technical aspects.

Workshop Closed 5:53 PM

1. **Call to Order:** The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Curt Jernigan, Councilmembers Sue Supp, Gary Sonnen, Tyler Drechsel, and Scott Jordan

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Clerk Sandy McFarland, City Attorney Susan Weeks, and City Planner Jill Ainsworth

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilmember Jordan led the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kootenai County Deputy Sheriff Phillips gave a brief report to Council of his recent patrol activities (out of order with other City Reports so he could leave).

4. **Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**

a. **Proposed Amendments to the Agenda (Action Item)**

None

5. **Consent Calendar (Action Item)**

Moved by Drechsel and seconded by Jordan to approve the consent calendar with changes made to all meeting minutes.

Result: Passed

AYES: Supp, Sonnen, Drechsel and Jordan

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSE: None

6. **City Business**

a. Action Item: Proposed Alcohol License for Dalton Market Permit AL-24-3. The Mayor presented this item to Council. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Supp and seconded by Sonnen to approve Alcohol License for Dalton Market Permit AL-24-3.

Result: Passed

AYES: Supp, Sonnen, Drechsel and Jordan

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSE: None

- b. Action Item: Proposed to remove trees at the north end of Davenport Street. The Mayor and Councilmember Jordan presented this item to Council. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Jordan and seconded by Drechsel to approve the removal of trees at the north end of Davenport Street for \$13,500.00.

Result: Passed

AYES: Supp, Sonnen, Drechsel and Jordan

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSE: None

- c. Action Item: Proposed purchasing playground equipment for Ward Newcomb Park. The Mayor presented this item to Council. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Sonnen and seconded by Drechsel to table the purchase of playground equipment for Ward Newcomb Park until a survey form has been created and completed by residents.

Result: Passed

AYES: Supp, Sonnen, Drechsel and Jordan

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSE: None

- d. Action Item: Proposed funding digitization project for city documents. The Mayor presented this item to Council. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Moved by Supp and seconded by Jordan to approve the funding of the digitization project for city documents for 49,078.00.

Result: Passed

AYES: Supp, Sonnen, Drechsel and Jordan

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSE: None

- e. Action Item: Proposed funding arena snack bar/restroom repairs. Councilmember Sonnen presented a revised bid for repairs to the arena snack bar and restroom. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Sonnen and seconded by Jordan to accept the revised bids presented for repairs and authorize the work at the arena.

Result: Passed

AYES: Supp, Sonnen, Drechsel and Jordan

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSE: None

- f. Discussion Item: Agenda items for future meetings
1. A request was made for a special meeting for action items: a) to purchase an emergency generator and consideration to allocate ARPA funds. A special meeting was set for November 6, 2024, at 8 am.
 2. For November 20, 2024, agenda item, it was requested that the agenda include the results from the survey for playground equipment at Ward Newcomb Park.

7. Public Comments

None

8. City Reports

- a. Picnic Report – Sharon Haunschild
Gave an update on the expenses of the Fall picnic and invited Lucy Jernigan to give a detailed update regarding the Christmas Party on December 6, 2024, at 4 PM.
- b. City Engineer
None
- c. City Planner/Code Compliance Officer:
Gave an update on permits, and the October 3rd P&Z meeting.

- d. City Attorney
Gave an update on the North and sound end of 18th Street. She also gave her input regarding the City's digitization project.
- e. KCSO
This report was given earlier in the meeting as noted above.
- f. City Financial Officer
None
- g. City Clerk
None
- h. City council

Council Member Jordan delivered an update on Davenport's north and south ends, as well as the purchase of the snowplow. He further stated there would be no chip sealing this year. He requested that the snowplow policy be added to the November 20, 2024, meeting as a action item.

Council Member Drechsel gave an update on gathering quotes for a generator.

Council Member Sonnen updated the council on the repairs of the arena and the spruce trees which were cut down on the south end of the shop.

Council Member Supp updated to Council regarding ARPA funds and finding sponsors or grants to remove the log cabin on Baillie St.

Mayor Jernigan presented an update on the City's document digitization progress, utilizing Laserfiche software, with city contracts being the first documents to be uploaded into the Laserfiche database.

9. Executive Session (I.C. § 74-206(*))

None.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Jordan and seconded by Sonnen to adjourn.

Result: Passed

AYES: Supp, Sonnen, Drechsel and Jordan

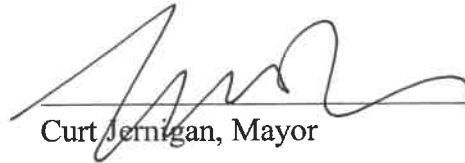
NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSE: None

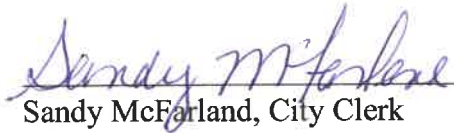
The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Passed this 20 day of November.



Curt Jernigan, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandy McFarland, City Clerk