

# MINUTES

City Council  
City of Arco  
March 25, 2024

Mayor Grady Parsons called the regular meeting to order for Monday, March 25, at 7:01 p.m. and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Council President Ben Tessmer, Deputy Clerk Dana Jensen, Assistant Deputy Clerk KC Thacker, Maintenance Supervisor Tony Chisham, and Maintenance Lead Tim Snyder. Guests were Lindsey Snyder, Tom Cammack, and Rebecca Lange. Via phone were Councilmembers Danny McCurdy, and Amanda Darland.

Minutes from the March 11 meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Public Comment** – No one signed up for public comment.

**Tony Chisham - Quotes for Culvert Replacement** – Maintenance Supervisor Tony Chisham presented two quotes. The first quote was \$365 per foot. The second quote for \$500 per foot, plus shipping. The first quote would be purchased through Darland Skid Steer. A single piece of forty-foot culvert is requested, but two twenty-foot culverts are possible, but a connecting band would be needed at a cost of \$500. Freight costs are negotiable depending on whether the order can be combined with other shipments to Arco. If shipping is not combined with other shipments, the estimated shipping cost could be around \$1000. Shipping cost for the second quote does not give details. The cost per foot is higher and shipping is expected to be about the same as the first quote. Council President Tessmer made a motion to procure the new forty-foot culvert through Tom Darland at a price not to exceed \$18,000. Motion passed.

**Tim Snyder – discuss metal recycling bin replacement within the City** – Maintenance Lead Tim Snyder asked the Council to consider once again the proposal from S&C Recycling to place a metal recycling bin somewhere that is easily accessible inside the city. The proposed site for placement of the bin is the City owned parking lot across from Nathan's Honda Shop. Also, access, the ability to handle the load of the pickup truck, and to keep the site clean and tidy are all to be considered. Council President Tessmer said that he would prefer the container to be sealed, and asked maintenance lead Snyder to get more details on the type of container and what size location is needed, and proposed Tabling this item until Mr. Siler can attend a meeting to give more information and to finalize all details. The Council members agreed.

**Bills** – bills were reviewed and approved for payment in the amount of \$4,860.04.

**Roundtable** – Assistant Deputy Clerk Thacker said that she would like to update the City webpage with photos of the current Council members, at one of the upcoming meetings, either individual photos, or a group photo of the Council.

Mayor Parsons confirmed that the City put in a request to IDT for any available gravel to use for City street work, he also confirmed with Maintenance Supervisor Chisham that the parts to build the sprayer attachment and the road grader upgrade have been ordered. Mayor Parsons asked Mr. Chisham and Mr. Snyder about the functions of French drains of several city streets. Mr. Snyder said there is one that is not working but thought that it should just be removed. More discussion to come on this plan for the work on City streets is compiled.

Council President Tessmer said Garbage rates of commercial for the City have broadly varying rates and varying types of pickup containers. Mr. Tessmer suggested the Council schedule a work meeting to review the commercial rates and container types to see if a uniform commercial practice and rate can be developed.

Council President Tessmer stated that Butte County had received funds from Congressional discretionary spending through the Idaho Congressional delegation for otherwise unfunded critical infrastructure needs in the County, in other words County buildings needing roof repairs or roof replacement. The staff at the County office offered to assist the City in applying for funding in next year's Congressional spending cycle. This could be the funding source needed for the Rec Hall roof replacement.

Councilwoman Darland said she talked with the County Road and Bridge supervisor Virgil Larsen to get information on cost for street work. Last year's cost for oil for chip sealing was \$560 per ton. Supervisor Larsen estimated that 30 tons of oil per mile of road is needed. The County road crew is available on Fridays to do work on City streets. The City would pay labor and fuel. Council President Tessmer said that a swift estimate using those numbers means the cost would be in the range of \$21,500 per mile of City street repairs or upgrades. Councilwoman Darland said she also plans to check

