

**CITY OF BLACKFOOT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES FROM APRIL 2, 2019**



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Carroll called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and Star Scout Caden Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken and those in attendance were: Councilman Brown, Councilman Gardner, Councilman Jensen (via Skype) and Councilwoman Simpson.

BLACKFOOT POLICE DEPARTMENT - CHIEF OF POLICE ASSOC. ACCREDITATION

Mayor Carroll congratulated the leadership and members of the City's Police Department, in successfully achieving re-accreditation of the Agency by the Idaho Chief of Police Association.

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Carroll read the proclamation declaring May 2019 as Older Americans Month in Blackfoot. Mike Hirschi, Director of the Area V Agency on Aging was in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Brown motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of the Minutes from March 5 and March 19, 2019 as well as Payables, Councilwoman Simpson seconded; all were in favor, motion carried.

HOLLY POWELL, CITY TREASURER

Treasurer Report

Ms. Powell reviewed the Treasurer's Report, provided a re-cap of the First Quarter, and a view of the Second Quarter to date, assessed trends and compared them to prior years. Ms. Powell also stressed each budget must be looked at individually and not compared against another. She stressed the need to review fees and the current business model against changing paradigms, and charged Council and Department Heads to considering the following when discussing FY 2020 budgets: 1) what can and does the Department do for the employees and the residents of Blackfoot through the budget process; 2) why does the Department provide these services.

MAYOR MARC CARROLL

Police Chief Appointment

Mayor Carroll introduced Captain Scott Gay and recommended his appointment as Blackfoot Chief of Police after the retirement of Chief Kurt Asmus in June 2019. Councilwoman Simpson motioned to approve the appointment of Scott Gay as Chief of Police, Councilman Brown seconded; roll call was taken and all were in favor, motion carried.

Kristen Sanger - Report on Animal Shelter

Ms. Sanger provided an update on the status of the Blackfoot Animal Shelter and reviewed marketing efforts, rescue operations and outcome statistics from 2018.

Dana Kirkham – Regional Economic Development for Eastern Idaho (REDI) Status Report

Ms. Kirkham reviewed with Council the mission of REDI as well as business, demographic and employment statistics for the Eastern Idaho region. She highlighted opportunities and areas for growth, not only in Blackfoot and Bingham County, but in surrounding communities.

LISA J TORNABENE, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

Information Regarding the Community Review

Ms. Tornabene provided Council with information regarding the Community Review process and requested their help in raising awareness and business sponsorship for this strategic planning process.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Gardner seconded; all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

City of Blackfoot

Mayor Marc Carroll

Attest:

Suzanne McNeel, City Clerk

Prepared by:

Lisa J Tornabene