AGENDA ITEM NO.  1: Mayor Brian Blad called the Special City Council meeting to order at 2:32 p.m. Council members in attendance were Heidi Adamson, Roger Bray, Rick Cheatum, Jim Johnston, Linda Leeuwrik and Beena Mannan. Also in attendance were Ruth Whitworth, City Clerk; Kirk Bybee, Civil Deputy Attorney; David Gates, Pocatello Fire Chief; and Trevyan Marley, Idaho State University intern.

AGENDA ITEM NO.  2: A presentation regarding fire protection services in the North Bannock County Fire Protection District (NBCFPD) was given. NBCFPD is asking the Pocatello Fire Department to consider entering into a contract to provide fire protection for their district. Chief Gates is seeking Council’s guidance regarding the City’s interest in such a contract and if so, to allow Pocatello Fire Department and other city staff to work towards a mutually beneficial agreement with NBCFPD.

Mr. Gates gave an overview of the proposal from NBCFPD. The pros and cons of the proposal were debated. Concerns about fire protection costs in areas that are not within the city limits and determining the most beneficial outcome for City of Pocatello taxpayers were shared.

Council gave Mr. Gates direction to continue researching the proposal. However, without additional information regarding costs, availability of fire fighters and necessary equipment, Council is not in a position to make any decision toward a possible contract at this time.

AGENDA ITEM ON.  3: There being no further discussion, Mayor Blad adjourned the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

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BRIAN C. BLAD, MAYOR

PREPARED BY AND ATTEST:

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RUTH E. WHITWORTH, CITY CLERK