

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL  
HELD MONDAY JULY 13, 2009  
IN THE HAILEY TOWN CENTER MEETING ROOM**

The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:33 P.M. by Mayor Rick Davis. Present were Council members Carol Brown, Don Keirn, Martha Burke and Fritz Haemmerle. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson, and City Administrator Heather Dawson.

Mayor opened the meeting with an airport report from Susan McBryant. McBryant has issues regarding the last phase of improvement required by the FAA. These improvements are being done under the direction of the FAA so we can keep the airport open. McBryant feels the county and the airport are on the same page. The board is continuing to move forward with the new airport. McBryant clarified the city's involvement and wants to know how the new government will step in so there is not a crevice in between. McBryant talked about the last joint meeting with the county. There are a lot of things they don't know and need to figure out before moving forward. She feels they should not be having those meetings yet. McBryant stated that she feels we are all on board. Haemmerle questioned who "we" is. McBryant said the Airport Board, County and hopefully the City of Hailey. The airport board will try to do a visit to the St. George airport soon. It is the newest relocated airport in the U.S. McBryant talked with Burke regarding the Mayor's roll in terms of transition. She would like to know who the Mayor thinks should be on the advisory committee. Should it be an elected official, someone in planning, business, government, who? McBryant said her understanding of how a board works is a good board establishes policy and a good board provides oversight. Burke added that nobody on the board or committee will be designing the airport. There is a team of professionals that do that. Haemmerle said as long as airplanes are landing in the City of Hailey the council will never surrender real authority over the airport. Haemmerle does not think that Mayor Willich or Councilman Conn should be on the board. He feels the county is in line with our goals. Brown felt very well represented at the meeting.

**OPEN COMMENT**

Mayor Davis opened the meeting up for public comment.

Geoffrey Moore – 1250 Woodside said that one thing he took away from the airport meeting was that Hailey City Council holds the cards and he was very glad to hear that.

Bob Wiederrick - 1120 Quigley Road in Hailey received a certificate of occupancy for his new building in Woodside. He incurred expenses that he feels the city should be responsible for. Meter vault excavation cost him \$1,200. The city should have to pay from the meter to the vault. He had to relocate a sewer line because in the 70's the sewer line was connected across the vacant lot instead of where it should have been. There was a \$3,000 charge for that. Wiederrick said he submitted a letter to Heather Dawson but did not hear back. The letter was resubmitted to Mayor Davis tonight. Wiederrick went onto

question dumpster call outs. He thought he was supposed to be called when a dumpster was placed on his property but that has not happened in 3 different instances now. He does not feel it should be his responsibility to collect these fees from his tenants. Businesses who order them should have to pay for them. Mayor Davis said that he will get back to him on these concerns. Wiederrick has one additional concern regarding knap weed at the western edge of Woodside Industrial Park. Mayor Davis will talk to Hellen on Wednesday regarding this issue.

Kelly Nicholson with St. Lukes and YAK took a moment to be sure that council knew that YAK is co-sponsoring a skate show at the skate park on August 8th. There are 60 kids that want to be involved. It's an open Jam. She advised council that bathrooms at the park in general are a concern and there is confusion about who cleans the park. Mayor will talk to the Public Works Director.

Angenie McCleary introduced Derek Voss, the new Blaine County Administrator. Voss spoke and said he has been here one month and feels Blaine County is a great place and is happy to be here.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

**Haemmerle moved to go into executive session to discuss Real Property Acquisition (IC 67-2345.c), Personnel (IC 67-2345 a/b/d) and/or Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation (IC 67-2345 f/j) Burke seconded; Motion carried unanimously with roll call vote.** Mayor and Council went into executive session at 6pm. Meeting called back to order by Mayor Rick Davis at 6:33pm.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

Continued from June 8, 2009: City initiated text amendments to the following sections of the Hailey Zoning Ordinance No. 532.

**Brown moved to continue this discussion to another unspecified time. Burke seconded; motion carried unanimously.**

#### CONSENT AGENDA

- ~~CA 280 Motion to ratify ARRA Grant application for Woodside Fire Station, seeking 70% funding from the federal grant for approx. \$2 million construction project~~
- CA 281 Motion to approve amended contract with ZGA Architects, authorizing the expense of \$15,200 in architectural design fees to apply for and receive design review approval and other pertinent permits on the Woodside Fire Station
- CA 282 Motion to ratify grant application submitted by Hailey Public Library with Idaho Community Foundation for reorganization of library shelving (\$5,000 maximum grant amount)
- ~~CA 283 Motion to approve McKercher Park Restroom contract for a total cost of \$47,400 paid from collected Development Impact Fees~~
- ~~CA 284 Motion to approve minutes of June 8, June 9, and June 11, 2009, and to suspend reading of them~~
- CA 285 Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of June 2009, including dispatch payment for having received acceptable service for the prior month
- CA 286 Motion to approve treasurer's cash report, including LOT report

**Burke moved to approve consent agenda items CA 281, 282, 285 & 286. Brown seconded; Motion carried unanimously.**

Keirn pulled CA 280 for clarification. Keirn said if we get a grant for 2 million who would pay for the rest. Mike Chapman, Hailey Fire Chief said that if it was built soon the city would match 30%. Haemmerle questioned where the 700,000 will come from. Heather Dawson, City Administrator said it is in the capital fund. **Burke moved to approve CA 280. Brown Seconded; Motion carried unanimously.**

Haemmerle pulled CA 283. He wanted to know if we didn't build the bathrooms what else the money could be used for. Dawson that she will have to look up other uses but in the mean time we could pull this item and bring it back at the next meeting. Dawson reiterated that this was a recommendation of the Parks Committee. Haemmerle wanted to know if there are better possible expenditures and would like this moved to a public hearing item. Dawson will put the history together for the next council meeting.

Brown pulled CA 284. Minutes of June 9<sup>th</sup> had question marks in them. Need those answered. June 11<sup>th</sup> minutes did not say Brown was absent. Burke June 8<sup>th</sup> page 50 appointees for marijuana advisory is Tom Hickey not Albert Hickey.

**Burke moved to approve the minutes of June 8<sup>th</sup> and the 11<sup>th</sup> with corrections as noted. June 9<sup>th</sup> minutes would need to be corrected and returned to council for approval. Haemmerle seconded; Motion carried unanimously.**

### **PRESENTATION**

Presentation by Hailey's Sustainable Building and Planning Committee - overview of education and outreach

Jolyon Sawrey presented for the Sustainability Planning Committee. (Print out of presentation is in the clerks packet on record and posted on the City of Hailey's website) He explained who comprised this committee. Sawrey talked about green and sustainable definitions, National Energy Consumption, Building Energy Use Components and Energy Operating Costs. This presentation has been presented 4 or 5 times to professional committees. There are a lot of different programs that could be added to code. Energy Star, United States Green Building council has the program LEED for homes and a lot of other LEED programs. There is also HERS – Home Energy Rating System. He talked about other towns that have customized these into their own programs. (see website for explanation of each of these programs) Burke questioned how these programs were accepted throughout the building communities in these towns.

Another member of this committee, Garth Callaghan spoke and said the Boulder Program was very well accepted. The people who did not accept it were the people who did not get involved in the education and did not understand it. Callaghan went onto say that the Blaine County group meets every 2 weeks and is following the same path as the City of Hailey. The Blaine County Group is looking at the 5 areas of construction that LEED has looked at with Energy being the most important one. The county group is now breaking

into working groups. They will be looking at what other jurisdictions throughout the country have done and will bring recommendations to the county. The time line for the county is to have recommendations for the Blaine County Commissioners by fall 2009. They will try to continue this education and outreach. The key is community involvement. So far Callaghan says it's been tough to get the stakeholders involved.

Mariel Platt gave a brief description of what this commission has been working on. It's been similar to what the county is working on. Over the last 3 months she said this presentation has been presented to the AIA, Local Contractors Association and the Sawtooth Board of Realtors. They have survey's that have been filled out and are in the process of tabulating and will bring those results to council when completed. They also had a stakeholder's presentation and a facilitated group discussion co-sponsored between the city and the county and had over 80 attendees.

Sawrey said they will meet again on Wednesday and he invited the council. He would like to come back in 3 months time to give an update of their progress.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Presentation of Draft Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010**

Dawson explained that the draft budget will be presented in the next 4 council meetings that are not Quigley hearings. Her goal tonight is to make sure council understands the budget and that any questions they may have are answered because at the next meeting council will be charged with adopting a tentative budget for publication. The budget cannot grow in size.

Dawson started her presentation by explaining that the budget is a policy document. It identifies operational policies, what level of service the council wants to support the community with, it identifies programs that are valuable to citizens, priorities and schedules of infrastructure development, and practical implementation of financial plans. Dawson talked about the citizen survey and the council's goal setting meetings as tools for the budget process. All of this gets translated into the budget. Cash balance is where we begin. There is currently 8.1 million dollars in 7 separate funds each with a specific purpose set by law. Dawson displayed a Powerpoint presentation that has been printed and put in the record.

Dawson pointed out that there are 17 grant applications pending. We have pledged \$900,000 in grant matches. That will come from the capital fund. Hailey paid its final G/O bond payment a year ago, and now has no general obligation bond debt. By not taking new bond proposals to citizens, taxes have been decreased by \$13.27 per \$100,000 valuation. Dawson talked about the survey and about the capital projects that are planned for 09-10. Operating Funds – Expenses and Revenues are managed to match. Some revenues are down in the general fund. Water and wastewater funds come strictly from fees. Revenue Expense chart was developed by the Hailey City Treasurer and presented by Dawson. There are many months that revenues exceed our expenses. Dawson said we should end the year with nearly the same fund balance that we opened the year with. Water and wastewater expenses are more constant. Dawson went onto explain the City Engineers proposed rate charts and explained how the city would like to reward the

conservationists in the city. Dawson presented Tom Hellen's proposals that will be discussed in full at the next council meeting. Dawson talked about no salary increases this year and only eliminating one police position.

#### LOT – Local Option Tax

There is no organization that has asked for funding that isn't drafted into this budget. Revenues over the winter had declined. Receipts for the month of June that are tallied and the decline was far less. Overall LOT receipts are down about 18%. A lot of activity over the summer could bring LOT back up. Two budgets have been crafted. One sets the LOT at a reduced amount. The chamber submitted request for \$69,000 and has a detailed proposal ready for council. Boards and Commissions will be here at the next meeting to answer any questions council may have. Mountain Rides is proposing adding a circulator bus to Hailey. With an increase of funding at \$75,000 they could finance the circulator bus. With an increase to \$95,000 they could fund it right away. Mountain Rides will also be giving a presentation at the next meeting. A surveillance camera is forthcoming for the police department. We are adding support to the Arts Commission by funding the grant match of \$1,500. We are continuing to support Sustain Blaine. Hailey Tree Committee applied for grant and we will match.

We are in the fourth and final year of snow removal equipment that we pledged to purchase from LOT funds. With the positive signs that we see in the car rentals and lodging in Hailey we would propose adding the rest of the \$360,000 back in, in a variety of ways. The ways we've chosen gives us the ability to buy each of these items a quarter apart so we could monitor our money coming in before we spent these moneys. If council decides to launch the circulator bus earlier we would add \$20,000 to the Mountain Rides contract. A police vehicle could be layered back into the winter quarter assuming revenue flows accordingly. Park swings at Keefer and Echo Hill Parks, sidewalk and street projects are in line with our citizen's goals. We will need to watch the LOT funds as we did the first year we had them.

Dawson thanked Department Managers and Treasurer for all their hard work on this since May. Mayor Davis thanked staff also. Burke talked about the city's fiscal responsibility and how well we did. Dawson said she would be available for public input at all hearings. Haemmerle asked about carrying money over from year to year. He would like to talk to Dawson about this next week. Keirn talked about a rainy day fund. Haemmerle was against that. Dawson explained that other places we use money that is in excess get moved into the capital fund. A legal review of that policy would have to be done prior to this council adopting such a policy.

#### Discussion of amendment to Title 8 of the Hailey Municipal Code to revise the nuisance ordinance.

Council talked at length about all the aspects of this code. Williamson will review and revise. Haemmerle would like fines increased and questioned the term occupant, owner/tenant. Haemmerle would like owner to always be responsible.

#### **WORKSHOP**

#### Hailey Public Library –Director's report for May and June 2009

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Mayor complimented Library staff on report.

BCRD letter to Mayor & Council re: water connection

Mayor is dealing with this issue. He will have something at next meeting. Mayor who will be paying for the installation? Eric Rector said they are looking into this. Mayor Davis will work thru these logistics with Tom Hellen and will get back to him. Haemmerle talked to Williamson regarding whether this type of hook up would be covered by our water connection fee provisions. Williamson has an opinion on this and the Mayor will talk to him tomorrow. Rector would like to know if this will definitely be on the agenda on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Williamson said this is an administrative matter. Mayor will get with Janis and Williamson and will get back to Rector.

Woodside Industrial Area Property fence – Memo from Public Works

Mayor feels it's time for the fence to be built.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Robrahn reported that the city's first zoning map was produced in house by Mariel Platt with her GIS experience. Addresses are missing and will be updated in December 2009. The printing is done at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Brown said that she missed the last Quigley meeting but wanted to know if the tree committee tree removal was discussed? Brown complimented Pat Rainey and Rob Beck for tree removal. \$30,000 worth of hazard tree removal was donated.

Keirn attended the Fly SV Alliance meeting this morning. Mayor, Dawson and Keirn attended the Sustain Blaine Meeting last week and you can read about it in the paper this week.

Haemmerle said that it was a great bike race on July 4<sup>th</sup>. It was the second best funded bike race in Idaho.

Burke talked about the need for the citizens of Hailey to be more involved with Friedman Memorial Airport Authority.

Mayor Davis will be attending the Idaho Green Symposium this weekend in Boise and representing our HELP Committee

With no further business the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Davis at 8pm.

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Rick Davis, Mayor

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Mary Cone, City Clerk