

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD NOVEMBER 29, 2010
IN THE HAILEY TOWN CENTER MEETING ROOM**

The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Mayor Rick Davis. Present were Council members Carol Brown, Don Keirn, Fritz Haemmerle, and Martha Burke. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson, City Administrator Heather Dawson, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

CONSENT AGENDA:

5:31:31 PM Haemmerle moves to approve the consent agenda items, seconded by Burke, motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

PP 555 Proclamation declaring December 2010 as Winter Preparedness Month

5:32:03 PM Mayor Davis read the Winter Preparedness Proclamation declaring December 2010 as Winter Preparedness Month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation (IC 67-2345(1)(f))

5:34:34 PM Haemmerle makes motion to go into Executive Session at 5:37 to discuss Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation (IC 67-2345(1)(f)), seconded by Keirn, motion passed with roll call vote. Brown, yes. Keirn, yes. Haemmerle, yes. Burke, yes.

Mayor Davis recused himself from this discussion.

Council returned from Executive Session at 6:01 pm.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 552 An application by ARCH Community Housing Trust for a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Agreement of 24 new residential units, located on AM Lot 2, Block 1, Sutton Subdivision (731 River St. N.) within the Business (B) zoning district. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval on July 19, 2010 (continued from September 13, 2010, October 11, 2010, October 25, 2010, Nov. 8 and Nov. 22nd

6:00:46 PM Williamson gave an overview to council. Mayor Davis recused himself from the discussion. ARCH needs a lease and currently does not have one. This discussion was continued from the Nov. 22nd meeting in hopes that discussions with Sweetwater would give an indication as to whether or not a lease could be entered into with the City and ARCH. As of today negotiations with Sweetwater are ongoing.

[6:02:55 PM](#) Haemmerle asks Michelle Griffith a question about her meeting with IHFA on December 2nd. Griffith is prepared to ask for more time from IHFA for funding.

Brown feels that the design is nice and that the location for this project is great. The bus parking is crucial, Brown feels this is important to have in the PUD application. Until the title is clear Brown will not vote on this application.

Keirn is in agreement with Brown.

Burke is pleased with the project and particularly likes the underground parking. Burke agrees that the location is perfect. Burke appreciates this project and wants to work with them as much as possible.

Haemmerle agrees with the other council members. If clear title cannot be obtained then council will have to deny the application.

[6:08:42 PM](#) **Brown moves to continue this discussion to 12/13, seconded by Burke, motion passed unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

NB 556 Motion to authorize City Staff in the following order; Public Works Director, City Administrator, Asst City Engineer; to approve Change Orders with an impact on the schedule of the Rodeo Grounds Project for up to \$15,000

[6:10:13 PM](#) Hellen brought up this at the last meeting and reiterates that this would not be used unless the timing of the change order would jeopardize the construction schedule.

[6:11:05 PM](#) Brown is okay with the concept. Brown would appreciate any two signatures at city hall. And add the mayor to that list also.

Keirn is in agreement with Brown.

Haemmerle asked how they will be informed of how many change orders are signed in this way. Dawson added that the change order will be in the next council meeting packet for ratification.

[6:15:21 PM](#) **Brown moves to approve change orders with two signatures up to \$15,000 in the following order Tom Hellen, Heather Dawson, Jim Zarubica, Mayor Davis and Fritz Haemmerle, seconded by Keirn, motion passed unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS:

OB 557 2nd Reading of Tree Ordinance No. 1076

Mayor Davis conducted the 2nd Reading of Ordinance No. 1076 by title only.

OB 558 Discussion regarding Joint Powers Agreement with City of Ketchum for medical benefits group

Hellen gave council an overview of today's health benefits committee meeting. The committee is in favor of moving forward with this application.

Brown has given this topic a lot of thought. We would not get out within the next 3 years.

Haemmerle does not like delegating a major financial decision to another board authority. Hellen clarified Hailey City will make the decision based on the city's benefits. Williamson clarifies a scenario to Haemmerle. What if our choices are not palatable? Dawson comments that during the 3 year period, we can opt out and take the gathered data. When Dawson and Williamson spoke with the Ketchum city attorney and Gary Marks Ketchum Administrator – meet with the newly constituted board and create an opt out provision, the 2nd approach was to bring back the agreement to the 5 cities signed up at the time.

Burke feels that this group plan will give us a better chance at lower premiums and better benefits options.

Dawson spoke to an added agreement Memorandum of Agreement.

Mayor Davis thinks there is strength in numbers – we should be able to get better benefits due to the larger group.

Council wants Williamson and Dawson to work on the opt out clause. And bring back to council on 12/13.

STAFF REPORTS:

Hellen received a request for a letter of support. Council is in support of this letter. Hellen announced that there will be an ITD meeting on Dec. 1st at City Hall 2 pm – to discuss the Timmerman Hill intersection.

Williamson reminded council of the special council meeting next Monday 12/6. Williamson is working on a draft agreement with the county. 5:30 meeting at the Old County Courthouse.

Brown announced that we (City) sent out a press release last Friday on Emergency Preparedness.

With no further business Mayor Davis and concluded the meeting at 6:45 P.M.