

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
Hailey Town Center Meeting Room
Monday, January 24, 2011**

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 Ned Williamson, Heather Dawson, Beth Robrahn, Tom Hellen, Becky Stokes, Mike Chapman, and Mike Baledge.

OPEN SESSION FOR PUBLIC CONCERNS:

5:31:01 P.M. Peter Lobb, 403 E. Carbonate, expressed his concerns regarding the changes in staffing and organization in the Planning & Building Department. He also shared his discomfort with having a full time grant writer on City staff. 5:37:00 P.M.

With no other public concerns expressed, Mayor Davis closed this section of the meeting.

AIRPORT REPORTS:

None offered.

CONSENT AGENDA:

CA 024 Motion to authorize the mayor to sign Steele-Reese Foundation grant application seeking \$25,000 in grant funding with \$25,000 city matching funds for Interpretive Center Exhibits at the Hailey Rodeo Park.

CA 025 Motion to authorize Mayor Davis to sign Lobbying and Litigation Certification required to close-out U.S. EPA Just Bag It! Grant.

CA 026 Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the City of Ketchum for their LHTAC Rural Grant application for improvements to Warm Springs Rd.

CA 027 Motion to enter into negotiations with Dreamland Skate parks for a Design-Build contract for the expansion of the skate park as a part of the Rodeo Grounds project.

CA 028 Motion to approve a Change Order to CBS Constructor for \$2,408.77 for providing a 6' x8' removable platform at the east bleachers and authorize the Mayor to sign.

CA 029 Motion to ratify the mayor's signature on a letter of support for Trailing of the Sheep Festival's application to the Idaho Arts Commission for funding support

CA 030 Motion to ratify the mayor's signature on a letter of support for Wood River Land Trust's application to Preservation Idaho's Orchid and Onion Award Program.

CA 031 Motion to approve new taxi license.

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~~CA 032 Motion to approve minutes of the December 6, 2010 Joint Meeting of the Blaine County Commissioners and Hailey City Council regarding the replacement airport transition plan, and to suspend reading of them.~~

CA 032 Ned Williamson requested the removal of this item because he believed it was unnecessary for the City Council to approve the minutes of a County meeting.

CA 033 Motion to approve minutes of the December 27, 2010 City Council Meeting and to suspend reading of them.

CA 034 Motion to approve minutes of the January 10, 2011 City Council Meeting and to suspend reading of them.

CA 035 Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of December, 2010, and claims for expenses due by contract in January, 2011 (includes the Hailey Chamber of Commerce LOT quarterly payment request).

CA 036 Motion to approve Treasurer's Reports for December, 2010, including Revenues and Expense Reports by fund, and Fund Balance Reports with Investment Activity, Capital Projects and Grant Activities.

Fritz Haemmerle moved to approve the remaining Consent Agenda items. Carol Brown seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

None.

PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS:

None.

APPOINTMENTS & AWARDS

AA 037 Hailey Historic Preservation Commission Reappointments.

Commissioners Andrew Carey and Joan Davies wish to continue service in their capacities on HHPC.

5:41:17 P.M. Carol Brown moved to approve the reappointments through Resolution 2011-03.

Don Keirn seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING:

PH 038 Rodeo Park Project Reports from project representatives including architect, construction manager, city staff, and Hailey Ice.

5:43:20 P.M. Nick Latham, Paul Stoops, and Michael Bulls from Ruscitto, Latham, Blanton delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the lighting designed for the project. Emphasis was placed on safety, aesthetics and the City's dark sky ordinance, and explanations about how lighting will be aimed. Tom Hellen reminded that there will be another meeting for public update on February 8, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. at the Senior Center. 6:03:25 Jim Laski spoke for Hailey Ice explaining that while the anonymous donor

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remains fully committed to the project, the funds will be delayed. He further explained that Hailey Ice continues to solicit funds from other sources in the interim, and that this will not delay completion of the basic plan for the ice rink. Discussion ensued regarding whether the donor's original offer was contractual, whether the public was fully aware of this, and alternatives should the donor's funds not materialize. 6:05:15 No further comments or questions.

PH039 Consideration of an Idaho Parks & Recreation Land & Water Conservation Fund grant application seeking \$122,500 in grant funds for the proposed skatepark plaza at the Hailey Rodeo Park, and authorization of the mayor to sign the application.

6:06:10 P.M. Tom Hellen explained that this is the same grant application as the one City Council previously approved for Keefer Park. He pointed out that if the City gets the grant, the funds will not be available until late summer 2011. Hence, construction would be delayed to Spring 2012. Don Keirn asked the source of the matching funds. Mayor Davis opened the meeting to public comment. 6:08:43 P.M. After further questions from the media, and further explanation, **Carol Brown moved to approve the application. Don Keirn seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

PH 040 A city initiated amendment to Article 9 of Hailey Zoning Ordinance No. 532 regulating parking. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval on December 20, 2010.

6:18:27 P.M. Beth Robrahn delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the City's parking ordinance, and a brief overview of this amendment citing the basic change is to reduce requirements for office and restaurants. Discussion amongst the Council members included requests for clarification from Ms. Robrahn. The meeting was then opened to the public at 6:23:00 P.M. Jay Cone of Eldorado Lane, expressed his support of the amendment. Peter Lobb, 4th and Carbonate, voiced his concern and opposition to "in lieu of" fees. Beth Robrahn responded, and the public hearing was closed at 6:29:25 P.M. Discussion continued regarding the "in lieu of" funds being held specifically for parking in the City's capital funds account; the need to address long-term parking proactively; and "pocket park-sized" parking venues versus large spans of parking. 6:38:46 P.M. **Carol Brown moved to approve with revisions of Article 9, Section 4.2A. Martha Burke seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.**

PH 041 Consideration of Municipal Code Amendment to adopt the 2009 International Fire Code.

6:41:13 P.M. Heather Dawson distributed the proposed amendment to the code. Mike Baledge recommended the Council adopt the 2009 International Fire Code and the 2009 Urban-Wildland Interface Code. The meeting was opened to public comment. None was offered. 6:44:10 P.M. **Don Keirn moved to adopt, Martha Burke seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.**

PH 042 Consideration of Mutual Aid Agreement for emergency fire services between the cities of Hailey, Ketchum, Sun Valley, Bellevue, the Friedman Memorial Airport Authority, and the fire districts of Ketchum Rural, Wood River, Carey, West Magic, and Smiley creek, all located within Blaine County.

6:46:27 P.M. Mike Chapman provided background of the current agreement, and urged the Council to update it. Discussion centered on reasons for the proposed changes, other municipal entities who are in agreement, how negotiations occurred, and whether a summary of the agreement might have been provided. 7:02:38 P.M. **Carol Brown moved to approve, Don Keirn seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.**

PH 043 Consideration and adoption of City of Hailey Emergency Operations Plan – Basic Plan..

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7:03:11 Mike Chapman emphasized his goals of making sure the City's plan is compatible with the County's and his efforts to keep the City as self-sufficient as possible in emergencies. Mr. Chapman reviewed the plan offering more comment on maintaining continuity of government in providing emergency services to constituents, authorities and references for quick references on protocol, lines of succession, and recovery operation responsibilities. Discussion included the need for a pandemic plan, proven materials and methods, and a possible workshop to properly prepare elected officials for emergency procedures. 7:57:40 P.M. Ned Williamson advises a change in language for updating the plan from an "annual" requirement to a "periodic" one. 8:01:23 P.M. Meeting is opened to public comment. Bob MacLeod, 417 E. Myrtle, reminded of the importance of coordinating civilian help in emergencies and hoped this would be made a part of the proposed plan. 8:02:47 P.M. Meeting is closed to public comment. **Fritz Haemmerle moved to approve, Don Keirn seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

NB 044 Consideration of Ground Lease for River Street Property with River Street Apartments Limited Partnership (cont. from Dec. 20 and Dec. 27, 2010).

8:03:52 P.M. Mayor Davis recused himself. Ned Williamson explained the details of the lease. He commented that he is comfortable with the language in the lease, but warned the Council that there may be future investors and lenders who will seek changes. **Don Keirn moved to approve the lease with the suggestions made by Ned Williamson. Martha Burke seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.** 8:12:32 P.M. Mayor Davis returned to the meeting.

NB 045 Discussion with City Council seeking policy direction in preparation for Woodside Boulevard Complete Street Neighborhood meetings on issues pertaining to sidewalk maintenance, landscaping installation, and landscaping maintenance.

8:12:50 P.M. Heather Dawson pointed out that this item specifically addresses the grant project for Woodside Boulevard. Discussion ensued regarding Council members concerns about maintaining planting strips and snow removal; about whether the public had been sufficiently informed of the meetings; traffic calming measures; and whether the grant specifically requires sidewalks on both sides of the project. Mayor Davis asked Tom Hellen to email that information immediately following communication with the federal grant information source with whom Mr. Hellen has been working.

8:37:42 P.M. Mayor Davis opened the meeting to public comment. Cindy Moore, 1250 Woodside, pointed out that she supports the proposed plan for safety reasons even though she "will be losing a lot of my front yard to it. The most important thing to me is calming the traffic." Stacy Ward, 2840 Woodside, supported the proposed plan, but expressed concern about the mature trees in her own yard that may be lost to the improvements. Tom Hellen assured Ms. Ward that he is very sensitive to the tree issue and will continue work to save as many of them as possible.

WORKSHOP:

Staff Reports

Council Reports

Mayor's Reports

Don Keirn reported that he attended the Sun Valley Economic Development meeting and was named to their finance committee. He pointed out that the SVED members will be fundraising in the private sector.

8:41:49 Mayor Davis adjourned the meeting.

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Rick Davis, Mayor

Mary Cone, City Clerk