

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 2011
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, and Fritz Haemmerle. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson, City Administrator Heather Dawson, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

Martha Burke was not present.

5:30:53 PM Jed Sidwell 109 South Hiawatha spoke to council regarding water rates. The rates give no consideration for people with larger lot sizes. You are penalized every time you reach certain usage amounts. Sidwell pays for his larger lot with taxes. Sid offers a possible solution – 3 categories of lot sizes – skew the rates per lot size. Make the pricing fairer. Sidwell asked that the street lights not be replaced with a low quality light that are not bright. One other point, backflow prevention testing with sprinkler system water should be a requirement. Sidwell stated it was presented to council a few years ago – that Hailey council did not want to pass off this fee to citizens. Sidwell asked council to consider making this a requirement.

CONSENT AGENDA:

CA 444	Motion to ratify electronically filed grant application by Hailey Fire Department for a FEMA Assistance to Firefighters grant for replacement air compressor and testing for \$57,480 in expenses with a 95% grant and 5% grant match from Hailey’s Fire Department operational budget	1
CA 445	Motion to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Pre-Application for Idaho Power’s Easy Upgrade Program for City Hall HVAC Retrofit, for an estimated rebate amount of approximately \$6,500.....	17
CA 446	Motion to ratify amendment to Bellevue Law Enforcement Contract, authorizing mayor to initial minor agreement changes requested by Bellevue City Council	21
CA 447	Motion to approve Resolution 2011-29, authorizing the city council president to sign Idaho Power easement for utility services in the alley behind the ARCH River Street Place Housing complex.....	31
CA 448	Motion to approve Resolution 2011-30, authorizing the city to enter into a Contract for Services with The Animal Shelter of the Wood River Valley for FY 2012	39
CA 449	Motion to approve Resolution 2011-31, authorizing the city to enter into a Contract for Services with Blaine County Housing Authority for FY 2012	45
CA 450	Motion to approve Resolution 2011-32, authorizing the city to enter in a Contract for Services for Blaine County Emergency Communications Center (Dispatch) for FY 2012	55
CA 451	Motion to approve minutes of the special meeting on August 29, 2011 and to suspend reading of them.	61
CA 452	Motion to approve minutes of the special meeting on September 7, 2011 and to suspend reading of them.....	69
CA 453	Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of August, 2011, and claims for expenses due by contract in September, 2011	73
CA 454	Motion to approve Treasurer’s Reports for the Month of September, 2011	99

5:35:54 PM Brown pulled CA 451 for a minor correction.
Davis pulled CA 452 for a minor correction.
Haemmerle pulled CA 445 for clarification.

Keirn moved to approve all consent agenda items minus CA 445, CA 451 & CA 452, seconded by Haemmerle motion passed unanimously.

[5:37:01 PM](#) Dawson explains 445. Haemmerle asks if we have to spend more money to get the rebate. Dawson answered we don't have to spend more to get the match. The funds spent just cannot be grant monies to get the rebate. Brown if we spend the city match money, not the grant money, then Idaho Power will give us the rebate. Dawson confirmed, yes.

[5:41:09 PM](#) **Haemmerle moves to approve CA 445, Keirn seconds, motion passed with roll call vote.**

CA 451 – page 63 in packet, 2nd page of minutes, Mark Johnstone speaking, “expressed dismay that the Preservation Commission” – should read “Hailey Historic Preservation Commission”

[5:42:28 PM](#) **Brown moves to approve CA 451 with amendments, seconded by Haemmerle, motion passed unanimously.**

CA 452 – Mayor Davis, page 72 in packet “Motion to reject the “re-bid” – should read “Motion to reject the “bid.”

Haemmerle makes a motion to approve CA 452 with amendment, seconded by Keirn, motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR’S REMARKS:

Mayor Davis is pleased to see the candidate turnout for this upcoming election.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

PP 455 Photos from Comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Design and Planning course, Portland State University, August 15-19 (no docs)

[5:44:40 PM](#) Robrahn gave council a presentation of a training course she attended in Portland August 15-19. The tuition was paid for by an Idaho State Health and Welfare grant, the city paid for her flight only as she stayed with friends in Portland. There are five communities around the state participating in this active living, planning exercise – it is focused on making a connection between active lifestyles and the way our streets are designed. Topics covered included; bicycle and pedestrian master plans, design, and trail designs. Robrahn showed pictures of innovative ways that Portland has incorporated bike and vehicle traffic on their streets – bike boxes, center turn lanes for bikes, rails with trails and other test designs. Robrahn showed examples of city partnerships with neighborhoods (painting intersections) and also partnerships with the Portland College. Robrahn discussed the categories of bicycle riders – strong & fearless group is the smallest group, next enthused and confident larger group and largest group interested but concerned – smallest group no way no how; based on this principle Portland makes the streets comfortable and simple for all traffic types.

[6:11:03 PM](#) Haemmerle asks Robrahn about Bike Ordinances – does Portland have bike ordinances? Robrahn answered, they did not discuss this in her training. Haemmerle stated that Boise has dedicated dismount zones – in crosswalks. Haemmerle feels this is an important place to start in Hailey.

Williamson can put together a proposed draft ordinance for council discussion as Haemmerle gave him the Boise bike ordinance awhile ago.

[6:17:17 PM](#) Robrahn mentioned next steps on street standards discussions in the future.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 456 WR High School Environmental Group – update to City Council on initiative petition drive for plastic bag ordinance (no docs)

[6:17:57 PM](#) Erika Greenberg, teacher at the Wood River High School and of 2516 Woodside Blvd. gave council a handout. Three students were also present; Lex Shapiro, Chase England and the bag monster – no name introduced.

Lex Shapiro discussed certain highlighted areas of the proposed plastic bag ordinance, purpose and definition, then the effective date of the ordinance if passed by voters - Jan 1, 2012. Hilex Poly a Jerome company invited the students to tour their facility. The students were in the Hailey 4th of July parade – riding on the Aqua Pro Spa float. This summer, the students acquired petition signatures, by visiting local businesses, farmers markets and neighborhoods among other areas. The students also met with a Suzie Hall, of Radio Boise, a weekly show called “Building a Greener Idaho,” that show will air either October 11 or 18.

[6:27:02 PM](#) Jytte, a local business owner (Interjet USA) wanted to talk about alternatives. Jytte explained an effort regarding creating a new material (made from plastic soda bottles) which is used today by Patagonia – fleece products use this fiber also. Jytte suggests that we need to keep plastic – maybe we need to create a better bag. Jytte thinks brochures and educational tools should be used instead of just “banning plastic bags” in our area. Jytte feels we need to create a more happy community, not irritate people. How will you enforce the penalties? There is more to this story than just banning bags. Jytte proposed that the ordinance language be changed to include a broader perspective.

[6:33:39 PM](#) Brown clarified, we cannot change the wording of the proposed ballot. Williamson answered, this must go on the ballot as presented, we cannot alter the language; the only question tonight to council is whether the ballot should be printed in full or summarized.

[6:35:25 PM](#) Carl Morrell of Hilex Poly and 1015 4th Ave. in Jerome spoke to council. Morrell commends this group for what they are doing. However, they disagree with the ban. His company is interested in partnering with the city on ways to recycle. They are against banning and taxation with the use of plastic bags and want to help the city and its citizens in ways to reuse and recycle bags so that they don’t end up in the land fill.

[6:36:04 PM](#) Steve Crosser of 431 Aspen Drive spoke to council. Crosser asked what the vote would take to pass. Williamson answered it takes a simple majority to pass with voters.

[6:36:57 PM](#) Dawson clarified that the Community Climate Challenge grant is not the fuel behind this initiative, this is a petition solely submitted by the high school students.

[6:37:49 PM](#) Peter Lobb of 403 E. Carbonate, this is simple - voters will decide what will happen.

Erika Greenberg – addressed Jytte’s concerns. Greenberg announced that there is no fee for the bags in this proposed ordinance. These kids have worked hard to get community input. Greenberg is very proud of the students.

NEW BUSINESS:

NB 456 Council to discuss form of ballot – full ordinance or summary - for plastic bag reduction initiative

[6:40:44 PM](#) Haemmerle asked if it was their intent to exclude service bags (i.e. dry cleaning bags) in the ordinance. Greenberg confirmed, yes.

After some additional discussion a motion was made.

[6:45:33 PM](#) **Haemmerle makes a motion to approve the full form text for the November 8th ballot, seconded by Keirn, motion passed unanimously.**

NB 458 Discussion of Hailey Arts Commission’s recommendations for a direct commission to Ralph Harris for Fox Building Mural contract, followed by instructions to staff to draft contract for services with Harris

Brown is a little confused as to why this is on the agenda because she remembers in budget discussions, this \$20,000 was removed from the Arts Commission funding and reallocated to other line items. Brown was surprised to see this asking for a contract to be signed with the artist with no funding allocated to the project.

[6:46:52 PM](#) Dawson answered that this project was not completed in the same year as budgeted.

After more discussion, council directed staff to not work on a contract with Ralph Harris as there is no funding for the project. [6:49:53 PM](#)

Mayor will attend the next meeting Arts Commission meeting to explain why the funding was reallocated.

OLD BUSINESS:

OB 459 Authorization of 3rd Reading of Ordinance 1090 – Annual Appropriation Ordinance

Keirn moved to approve 3rd Reading and authorize mayor to sign, seconded by Haemmerle, motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Davis conducted the 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1090.

STAFF REPORTS:

Keirn had a URA meeting today and they will meet with the Jerome URA to leverage their experiences.

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

6:52:14 PM Haemmerle moves to go into Executive Session to discuss Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation (IC 67-2345(1)(f)),seconded by Brown, motion passed with roll call vote at 6:52 pm. Brown, yes. Keirn, yes. Haemmerle, yes.

Mayor Davis and council came out of Executive Session and concluded the meeting at 7:25 P.M.