

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD JUNE 1, 2015
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 Fritz Haemmerle. Present were Council members Carol Brown, Don Keirn, and Martha Burke. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson, City Administrator Heather Dawson, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

Pat Cooley was not present at tonight's meeting.

[5:33:06 PM](#) call to order

Open Session for Public Comments:

[5:33:43 PM](#) undisclosed man speaking to council thanking them for the skatepark sign and the new Welcome to Hailey sign that is being installed.

[5:34:10 PM](#) Maya Burrell speaks to council. Burrell reads from a letter. Burrell feels that the Jordan circus should not have been approved by the Hailey City Council. Burrell knows elephants and the ones in traveling circuses, she states, are not treated humanely.

[5:37:50 PM](#) unknown person speaking asks for council to listen to Burrell's comments and asks if her questions will be answered. Haemmerle responds.

CONSENT AGENDA:

[5:38:16 PM](#) CA 215 is pulled by Lisa Horowitz for a short discussion

[5:38:26 PM](#) **Keirn moves to approve all consent agenda items minus CA 215, seconded by Burke, motion passed unanimously.**

[5:38:53 PM](#) CA 215 – Horowitz states that the attorney for Evelyn Phillips asks for some changes. A proposed changed agreement was handed out to Mayor and council at tonight's meeting.

Brown is okay with the changes as they are minor, as long as the city attorney is okay with them.

[5:39:25 PM](#) **Burke moves to approve proposed changes as discussed tonight, Brown seconds, motion passed unanimously.**

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

[5:39:49 PM](#) Mayor Haemmerle announces that Hailey ID, has made the top 100 best small cities to live in. Only one other city in Idaho, Sandpoint, has made this list. Haemmerle is proud of this.

MR 218 Recognition of 5 new Firefighters

[5:40:38 PM](#) Fire Chief Craig Aberbach – recognizes 5 new firefighters tonight. Aberbach asked Carl Hjelm and Dave Baledge to join him at the front of the room. Aberbach makes note of the hard work, Andrew Pearson and River Kelly came up to get the award, high school seniors. Brian Vincent, Marty Pallas, and Josh Murphy were all recognized.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

PP 219 Fire Chief Aberbach to present Challenge Coin winner

[5:43:04 PM](#) Chief Aberbach announced the new Annual department challenge coin and winner. The annual contest to design a coin that represents both the Hailey Fire Department and the Community. The winner of this first year contest was Emelia Morgan, 7th grader who lives in Hailey. Morgan read her description of her design to Mayor and council as it was shown on the projector for all to see.

[5:46:18 PM](#) Mayor Haemmerle presented a Certificate of Recognition to Emelia Morgan.

[5:46:41 PM](#) Alpine Tree Service presented Morgan with a check for \$250 dollars by Pat Rainey.

[5:47:19 PM](#) Mayor Haemmerle encourages students to get involved. Mayor Haemmerle spoke directly to Morgan, “we appreciate you and are proud of you.”

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 220 Airport Discussion

[5:48:43 PM](#) Mayor Haemmerle spoke about the upcoming FMAA meeting on Wednesday this week, June 3, 2015. Haemmerle hands out copies of pages from the Master Plan to council before the meeting. Haemmerle comments on Chapters A and C. Chapter C, alternative 6 will be the baseline. Chapter A, page A-5 at bottom last sentence, alternative 7, should be used as the basis as the master plan. Chapter C, references alternative 6. This difference needs to be addressed. Haemmerle does not recall any support of Alternative 7. On page A-6 of Chapter A, it talks about Alternative 7 again.

Alternative 7, no one has voted for this item. FMAA picked Alternative number 6.

Burke makes a comment about Alternative 7, development outside the fence, only for things like snow storage and private plane parking, but not to allow larger planes to land.

[5:55:08 PM](#) Haemmerle referenced page C-4, for the baseline for future needs. A-7, calls for relocation of highway 75 to the east. Discussion ensued between Burke and Haemmerle, trying to understand intent with wording in this document. Haemmerle and Keirn think Alternative 7 references need to be removed.

[6:00:02 PM](#) Brown asks for Burke to clarify her concerns. Brown looks at page C-4 and A-5.

[6:04:04 PM](#) Council and Mayor discuss challenges with parking at peak plane traffic times, wanting to avoid multiple landings and takeoffs if not enough room to park planes for duration of the event. Burke clarifies her points, make sure you (Hailey officials) represent the people generally.

[6:09:07 PM](#) Brown agrees, she thinks the last sentence should be removed from Chapter A referencing Alternative 7. Brown asks a question about lack of parking and Chapter C, section 6. Haemmerle feels the conversation will happen in due time regarding needing more parking.

[6:12:11 PM](#) Burke explains why Alternative 7 still remains in this document. Haemmerle comments.

[6:17:57 PM](#) After some discussion, Brown agrees with Haemmerle's point, after 3 criteria are met, then land acquisition would be okay for parking or snow storage. Make sure alternative 6 includes our principles.

[6:18:52 PM](#) Haemmerle points to C-29, 6.1 dual path planning principals, only a certain amount of runway length at the airport. We might need to expand the runway. Burke comments. FAA told us expanding the runway was not safe because of our boxed canyon and cross winds. Mayor and council agree to not allow lengthening of the runway. Haemmerle mentioned that the council will have another chance to comment before the July FMAA meeting.

Public comments:

[6:27:22 PM](#) Donna Serrano speaks to council. Serrano has not had a problem with the Allen & Co. planes.

[6:29:36 PM](#) Peter Lobb comments to council. We have not been compliant (Hailey airport not compliant with FAA minimum standards), his understanding, will the FAA allow larger planes to come into our airport? Haemmerle comments.

[6:31:25 PM](#) James Stireman from Bellevue asks a question. What are the triggers to move the airport? Burke responds. Keirn responds.

PH 221 Hailey Town Square site selection process recommendations form Dean Gunderson, BSU graduate student

[6:35:01 PM](#) Boise State University graduate student Dean Gunderson speaks to council and shows his presentation. This presentation is a shortened version of his final document to his faculty. Gunderson states that adding town squares to an established community, it's difficult to use traditional planning methods to design them. Gunderson explains the topics discussed in the focus groups, including the amenities that a town square might have. Surveys were sent to all utility customers 3,300. Of these we confirmed 134 survey responses, it was evenly spread throughout the city limits. General comment was that people wanted a town square to be unlike a park. General sentiment, the further away from downtown area, greater than a 5 minute walk, the less you wanted this town square. Gunderson presented the preferred amenities of the survey, including tables, benches and drinking fountains. Gunderson then discussed the top site location sites 7 and 11 were the most optimal sites. Site 7 is the site of the first holiday square on Crox and Main Streets. Site 11 is next to The Brewery at Main and Carbonate Streets. Gunderson then comments on suggestions which came out of the focus groups.

[6:49:54 PM](#) Haemmerle asks a question of Dean Gunderson. Gunderson responds, for a permanent town square, sales should increase because the square is a focus, destination point. Data in other communities shows that town squares increase sales in nearby businesses.

Public comments:

[6:53:44 PM](#) Tony Evans with the Idaho Mountain Express comments, it seems like a low response. Gunderson responds to statistical survey validity, and the percent of accuracy and margin for error potential. Gunderson adds that, many people within the community don't understand the funding options or how it impacts them. Gunderson suggests having a public session to discuss funding with the public.

Williamson asks a question. [6:57:58 PM](#) Gunderson responds. Williamson asks another question. Gunderson responds again.

[6:59:10 PM](#) Haemmerle speaks about the first year of the holiday square, when nearby businesses thought the street closure of the holiday square hindered their business sales.

[7:00:30 PM](#) Dawson comments.

PH 222 Proposed Amendments to Chapters 5.24 and 9.08 of Hailey Municipal Code to reclassify curfew and certain firework violations as infractions

[7:01:03 PM](#) Williamson gives an overview of this item.

[7:02:20 PM](#) Keirn asks the differences between a misdemeanor and infraction. Williamson responds, misdemeanor can go to jail.

No public comments:

[7:03:03 PM](#) **Brown moves to adopt Ordinance No. 1178, conduct 1st reading by title only, seconded by Keirn, passed unanimously.**

7:03:45 PM Mayor Haemmerle conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1178 by title only.

PH 223 Proposed Amendment to Chapter 1.16 of Hailey Municipal Code to repeal all sections of the Initiative and Referendum chapter and replace with a new section requiring compliance with state law procedures

7:04:10 PM Williamson gives a summary of this item. This is a great state law change, now they have guidelines, cities must remove their chapters before July 1, 2015. Also, for this, only allow these elections in odd numbered years with candidate elections.

No public comments.

7:06:01 PM Brown moves to adopt Ordinance No. 1179, seconded by Keirn, motion passed unanimously.

7:06:53 PM Mayor Haemmerle conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1179 by title only.

PH 224 Consideration of Parks reservation ordinance amendment

7:07:27 PM Patt reviews this proposed ordinance, primarily serves to clarify that park reservations are for portions of the park, exclusive use is reserved for approved special events. Platt explains the seasonal use reservation changes. Keefer Park, 3 soccer field areas and a baseball field, now want to be able to have multiple groups reserve one of the fields. Adopt a Park revisions, adopt a park guide is presented in tonight's packet. Also, we have specified more clearly what fees would be waived.

Mayor Haemmerle asks about Keefer Park and suggests language to revise.

No public comments.

7:13:09 PM Burke moves to adopt Ordinance No. 1180 as amended by Haemmerle tonight, seconded by Keirn, motion passed unanimously.

7:13:35 PM Mayor Haemmerle conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1180 by title only.

NEW BUSINESS:

NB 225 Discussion of Health Insurance JPA- consideration of Hailey's withdrawal from the III-A

7:14:54 PM Dawson opens this discussion. The report in tonight's packet contains results from a recent meeting with III-A representatives a couple of weeks ago. Page 132 was reviewed, which shows a summary of health care premium costs paid by Hailey since 2004. Dawson explains the results of this analysis.

[7:17:41 PM](#) Keirn asks, what does an improved financial condition mean? It seems that they are financially stable because of the buyouts – cities that have exited the III-A before the 3 year term ended.

[7:19:04 PM](#) Haemmerle recounts a bit of the history of this situation. Haemmerle suspects that many cities are seeking to get out because their insured pool won't be as large. Haemmerle explains the rationale on the data presented on page 132.

[7:21:18 PM](#) Brown comments on what she remembers. Haemmerle responds.

[7:22:32 PM](#) Burke comments. Keirn, comments.

[7:23:22 PM](#) Williamson explains next steps. June 9th is the next III-A meeting, and we expect to find out if we (Hailey city) are eligible for a 10% reduction in premium for next premium year. Hailey may need a special meeting on June 29th.

[7:24:31 PM](#) Tony Evans asks a question about medical history. He recalls a benefit to joining the III-A was to learn your individual medical history. Does Hailey have this information of your medical history?

[7:26:25 PM](#) Peter Lobb remembers when this was discussed, there could be consequences to staff, is there going to be any accounting for this? Haemmerle responds.

NB 226 Discussion of request to delay connection fees to city water and hook-up to wastewater at 830 Broadford Road

[7:29:36 PM](#) Platt gives an overview of this item. This property was subject to annexation with Hailey Business Park South in the 1990's, the caretaker of this home illegally hooked-up to city water last year. Platt had meetings and discussions with this caretaker to find out what happened. Official notice was given in the letter included in the packet. Platt suggests a few next steps.

Burke asks a question. Brown understands and feels Burke's point is very good.

[7:35:40 PM](#) **Burke begins to make a motion. Then, Williamson suggests to have an agreement presented in the next meeting. So no motion was made tonight.**

NB 227 Consideration of Biosolids Construction Contract with Contractors Northwest Inc. and consideration of Notice to Proceed

[7:37:10 PM](#) Platt reports, Contractors Northwest Inc. (CNI) is ready to get started.

[7:37:58 PM](#) **Motion to approve Notice to Proceed and authorize Resolution 2015-50 with contract made by Burke and seconded by Keirn. Motion passed unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS:

OB 228 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1173 – 6th Ave vacation (continued from May 18, 2015 meeting)

7:38:31 PM Brown moves to approve Ordinance No. 1173 authorize Council President to sign and conduct 3rd Reading by title only, seconded by Burke, motion passed with roll call vote. Burke, yes. Keirn, yes. Brown, yes.

Ordinance is not in Packet, Dawson leaves the room to get ordinance for the reading.

7:43:20 PM Keirn conducts 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 1173, by title only.

OB 229 2nd Reading of Ordinance No. 1176 – energy codes update

7:40:40 PM Williamson explains energy codes update change, 70 is a more reasonable target. Suggest opening up for public comment, page. 173.

No public comments.

7:41:47 PM Mayor Haemmerle conducts 2nd Reading of Ordinance No. 1176 by title only.

OB 230 2nd Reading of Ordinance No. 1177 – Cross Connection ordinance

7:44:13 PM Mayor Haemmerle conducts 2nd Reading of Ordinance No. 1177, by title only.

STAFF REPORTS:

7:44:58 PM Craig Aberbach announced they had. 60 elementary school kids at the fire station today for a field trip.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

7:45:53 PM Burke moves to go into Executive Session to discuss Real Property Acquisition (IC 67-2345(1)(c)), and Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation (IC 67-2345(1)(f)) seconded by Keirn, motion passed with roll call Burke, yes. Keirn, yes. Brown, yes.

8:04:32 PM Burke moves to adjourn meeting, seconded Keirn, motion passed unanimously.