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HAILEY PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ANNOUNCES CAREER CHANGE

(Hailey, Idaho) – Ray Hyde announced his intent to resign his position as Hailey City Public Works Director on Monday, July 9, 2007.

Hyde has accepted employment with the City of Ashland, Wisconsin, a community of approximately 8000 on the south shore of Lake Superior. Having announced his move to be effective on July 20th, Hyde noted “one of the most compelling reasons for taking the position is that Ashland is within a 20 minute commute of my aging parent’s residence.”

Hired by the City of Hailey in 1996, Hyde was challenged by elected officials to help resolve a sewer moratorium through the funding, design, and construction of a new sewer plant. “I feel proud of the accomplishments made during my tenure. Topping the list is most certainly the wastewater treatment facility and the transition to a metered water system. I feel extremely fortunate to have been able to work with and learn from the many talented personnel within Hailey city government.”

Mayor McBryant expressed support for Hyde in his career change, saying at Monday’s city council meeting that she is pleased when city personnel are able to further their career goals because of their accomplishments at Hailey.

City Engineer Tom Hellen has been appointed to act as interim public works manager to allow some time for the public works management position to be further defined prior to any recruitment efforts.

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