

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD FEBRUARY 22, 2021
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 Martha Burke. Present were Council members Heidi Husbands, Kaz Thea, Sam Linnet, and Juan Martinez. Staff present included City Attorney Christopher P. Simms, City Administrator Heather Dawson, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

[5:30:10 PM](#) call to order by Mayor Burke

Public comments:

[5:31:05 PM](#) Greg Moore speaks regarding a letter he sent today via email. Mayor Burke wants to schedule this topic on a future agenda so we can discuss in a public forum.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- [CA 055](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-013 , naming a new park under construction at 3290 South Woodside Boulevard as the Toe of the Hill Park **ACTION ITEM**
- [CA 056](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-014, authorizing city officials to sign an amended Grant Agreement with FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to increase the fire station project from \$102,000 to \$225,995, with Hailey’s grant match at 25% **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 057](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-015, authorizing ratification of the mayor’s signature on a Contract Agreement with Century Contractors for \$283,071, and authorizing approval of two Change Orders which reduce the construction contract to \$181,603 and a Notice to Proceed to Century Contractors for the Hailey Fire Department seismic retrofit project **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 058](#) Motion to approve Library Grant application to American Library Association for the Transforming Communities Grant for \$3,000 **ACTION ITEM**
- [CA 059](#) Motion to ratify construction bidding extension of the Wastewater Treatment Plant standby generator site work. **ACTION ITEM**
- [CA 060](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-016, authorizing a contract agreement amendment with SPF Water Engineering, extending the current contract for as-needed basis support in a not-to-exceed amount of \$5,000, to continue analyzing water system hydraulics. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 061](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-017, a Resolution authorizing the Mayor’s signature on a contract for services for the Hailey Greenway Master Plan Update - Croy Creek, provided by Harmony Design & Engineering, in an amount not to exceed \$7,000. The total amount for services is \$14,000, of which will be a shared cost by the City and the Wood River Land Trust. **ACTION ITEM**
- [CA 062](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-018, authorizing an independent consultant agreement for professional services with DP Guthrie, LLC to conduct a 5-year Development Impact Fee study update **ACTION ITEM**.....
- ~~[CA 063](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-019, authorizing the mayor to sign a pyrotechnics contract with Lantis Productions for \$15,000 purchase and display of fireworks on July 4, 2021 **ACTION ITEM**~~
- ~~[CA 064](#) Motion to approve new Alcohol License for Hailey FF, LLC **ACTION ITEM**~~
- ~~[CA 065](#) Motion to approve the Special Events by Blue Cow Antiques and Appraisals for the 4th of July and Labor Day Antique Shows, to be held at McKecher Park, July 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, 2021, and September 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 2021 **ACTION ITEM**~~
- [CA 066](#) Motion to approve minutes of February 8, 2021 and to suspend reading of them **ACTION ITEM**
- [CA 067](#) Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of January, 2021, and claims for expenses due by contract in February, 2021 **ACTION ITEM**

- [CA 068](#) Motion to approve unaudited Treasurer’s report for the month of January 2021 **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 069](#) Motion to approve 2020 Road and Street Financial Report **ACTION ITEM**

[5:33:32 PM](#) Thea pulls ca 065 and ca 063

[5:34:10 PM](#) **Martinez moved to approve all consent agenda items minus CA 063 and CA 065, seconded by Thea, motion passed with roll call vote. Husbands, yes. Martinez, yes. Linnet, yes. Thea, yes.**

[5:35:10 PM](#) CA 063, Thea, \$15,000 is too much to pay for fireworks for the city to pay. Are we going to continue paying for this? Thinks we should upgrade our website. Would like to reduce this and put it to better use.

[5:36:31 PM](#) Mayor Burke responds, thinks this supports our business community, parade and rodeo. The Chamber will continue raise money to help support this effort. Mayor Burke asks council if they are comfortable with this? Thea, asks, the Chamber contributes? Burke confirms, yes.

[5:37:55 PM](#) Dawson gives a background, in late 1990’s received a \$50,000 endowment for fireworks, from an anonymous donor, chamber of commerce did great job of raising money for this event. We still have approx. \$40,000 in that fund. This is already budgeted annually.

[5:39:42 PM](#) Martinez makes a motion to approve CA 063, seconded by Linnet. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Thea, no.

[5:40:39 PM](#) ca 065 Thea brings to attention, there are 4 dates, do we have a clause in case Covid is still a problem, may not be able to hold the event. Burke responds, this happened last year, hopeful we can have the event this year, expect that we can cancel if we need to. [5:42:04 PM](#) Simms adds, we have the authority to cancel if we need to. [5:42:18 PM](#) Linnet, note of possible beer garden, not sure if they have the paperwork they need or whether they are doing this as the application seemed confusing. Horowitz will look into this.

[5:42:56 PM](#) **Martinez, moves to approve CA 065, seconded by Thea. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea yes,. Martinez Husbands, yes. Linnet, yes.**

APPOINTMENTS AND AWARDS:

AA 070 Oath of Office to Hailey Police Officer Gustavo Cervantes ACTION ITEM

[5:43:43 PM](#) Chief England introduces Josh Latimer, Intermediate Certificate, certified officer, usually 2 years, received faster because of his degree.

[5:45:06 PM](#) Gustavo Cerventes, graduated from southern Idaho, passed Idaho Post test, 21 applicants in our last opening. Gus rose above and accepted job. 1st day of employment is this Friday. Chief England announces Gus’s family members here including aunts uncles.

[5:46:39 PM](#) England gives Gus the Oath of Office. Applause by room.

PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS:

PP 071 Presentation of Hailey Police Department Annual Report

[5:51:04 PM](#) hpd annual report Chief England presents a slide show to council. More calls for service in 2020 compared to 2019, 7451 to 8461 in 2020, up 1,010 calls. Traffic stops up 692, from 2449 to 3141. Citations issued, down 205.

England explains the why? Hard to tell, not always an answer. Pandemic was an obvious reason for increase in numbers. Regarding citations down, quality over quantity, explains, making more stops but not giving as many citations. Hands free citation went away, state code, prohibited a citation, made it a warning, beginning July 1st. [5:58:16 PM](#) arrests and DUIs are about the same, arrests, down 7, from 366 to 359. DUIs 50 to 35, down 15 in 2020, contribute COVID as the reason for this decline. Regarding reports and traffic collisions, both down. [6:02:16 PM](#) Distracted Driving, any county or city code, cannot issue a citation for hands-free cell phones. Until the change in code, officers had issued 30 warnings in 2021. Issued 36 citations in 2020. England asks if anyone has a question.

[6:05:16 PM](#) Thea, how many people on street in evening hours? England, depends, regular scheduled, mid shift, swing shift and graveyard shift. Ideally 2 people from 7 am to 3 am. Doesn't include chief or school resource officers in that number.

[6:07:07 PM](#) Martinez, thanks for these numbers, reflects our commitment to our community. Thanks to England for leading with grace and integrity.

PP 072 Presentation of Community Development Department Annual Report

[6:08:20 PM](#) Horowitz gives the annual report for Community Development handles various business including, planning and zoning, building permits and business licenses as well as URA and Resiliency. [6:10:49 PM](#) statistics, huge jump 133 residential building permits in 2020. Multi-family projects, many are in Blaine Manor housing. More commercial mixed-use buildings. Nine-year comparison, steady growth shown. Estimated value of construction has also increased. Bottom of recession was in 2012, 115 permits, highest year was 2008, 269 permits. [6:13:35 PM](#) Have quite a few subdivision projects approved, including Sunbeam and Silver River apartments. Adopted new building permit fees and new building code in effect 2018 IBC codes. Pleased that council passed ADU, we are receiving many calls on this topic, feel this will really help Hailey. Many long-range planning projects, hopeful that we can get them done, items in red, Mayor's top priorities. [6:16:00 PM](#) Hailey business activity, shows some excerpts of letters from businesses received during the pandemic. [6:17:23 PM](#) URA robust partnerships. Have seen a 47% compound annual growth since 2015, will go out for bond next year to update River Street. [6:18:33 PM](#) Arts and Historic Preservation Commission, had 12 public meetings, tried to save the forest service buildings and found a spot for some art. Resilient Hailey, Horowitz named successes, single-use plastic resolution/ordinance limiting use at events. Negotiation of new power franchise agreement, repair solar panels at WWTP. Team projects, flower project. Thank you!

[6:22:08 PM](#) Martinez, great slides and information, can we add this to Facebook?

PP 073 Presentation by Workman & Company of audited financial statements for the City of Hailey fiscal year ending 9/30/2020, followed by motion to accept financial statements as presented (or amended) ACTION ITEM

[6:22:47 PM](#) Dennis Brown, concluded audit and financial statement for the City of Hailey ending September 2020. There is about \$36,000 in the fireworks fund that Dawson referred to earlier in this meeting. [6:23:56 PM](#) some projects were put off, finished the year positive \$291,000, adds to the reserves, \$2.6 million in reserves, prudent use of resources. Water and WW funds, continue to accrue funds, important to note this is good, want to keep these funds up for potential future expansion. Bonding companies like to see strong funds in utilities. Questions?

[6:25:51 PM](#) Linnet, do you have specific recommendations? Brown, hard to tell, good position, to be able to accomplish planned projects. City Staff does excellent job of handling processes, nothing but praise for staff.

[6:27:09 PM](#) Thea, incredible to have reserves like that. Shows tremendous responsibility.

[6:27:41 PM](#) Linnet, thankful for staff, especially asking them to cut budgets for this year.

Brown, [6:28:17 PM](#) keep up the good work!

PP 074 Presentation by Mountain Rides Transportation Authority on Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) service to Twin Falls

[6:28:28 PM](#) Cece Osbourn speaks and announces that Kim MacPherson is also present. Osbourn gave presentation, NEMT from Twin Falls. Pass off to Kim who does schedules. McPherson, continually get calls, pilot group will start in April, 2 trips per day, window from 10 am to 3 pm, will stop at St. Luke's. A grant is making this happen. [6:31:44 PM](#) Osbourn, rough numbers, think that this would be extremely helpful, Mon, Wed and Friday 10 – 3 pm, will serve many patients. Partnering to other transit groups to connect Dietrich / Gooding, providing flexible and efficient service. Working with main partners, to make sure that people who need this service can use it. Covid protocols in place for this service. [6:35:32 PM](#) This is a pilot program, will look to measure the success, goals, increase access to appointments in Twin Falls and improve quality transportation options. [6:36:38 PM](#) MacPherson speaks, lots of community support for this program.

[6:38:53 PM](#) Burke, this is an amazing project, it is hard to get her friends in and out of the car and to their appointments. This is so needed.

[6:40:16 PM](#) Thea, this is very exciting. Years ago, when she worked for Mountain Rides, always got questions for this service. Hope that you can get good statistics and be funded into the future, thank you.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 075 Introduction of proposed Ordinance No _____, setting forth the terms of a franchise for Idaho Power Company's utilization of City of Hailey streets and rights of way for delivery of electric utilities and maintenance of electric utility infrastructure within Hailey's rights of way **ACTION ITEM**

[6:42:10 PM](#) Dawson, have about 5 representatives on this call including Dan Olmstead. Presentation is displayed, calendar of dates. Minimum term of this is 10 years, that is what this agreement is proposing. [6:44:09 PM](#) Simms, adds that, this isn't just a franchise agreement, must be adopted by Ordinance. Once we get passed today, the proposed ordinance will be published. Key provision, we will be readopting the 3% increase passed by voters in 2019. [6:45:50 PM](#) Matt Harrington, counsel with Idaho Power, going back to 1995, franchise fee ordinance was first passed. Thanks to City of Hailey for working with us on this agreement. Existing agreement entered in 2010, expires July 2020, 6-month extension of this agreement. New proposed agreement, have discussed several additions from our standard ordinance form. City of Hailey has been very diligent in reviewing the form, continuing along at 3% fee, maximum allowed by state. Clean version, highlights, section 4 [6:48:07 PM](#) staff requested first sentence, mention underground electrical facilities, raising issues, referenced here and will have to work through. Section 6 is new section, joint clean energy agreement recently signed by Idaho Power and City of Hailey. [6:50:00 PM](#) section 7 is also new, street lights, more informed about street lights than he ever was before, complying with Dark Sky Ordinance, learned a lot over the past year. Replaced some high-pressure sodium light with LED lights, lays out how we will work together on future lights. Section 8 [6:51:20 PM](#) requested by City, pole attachments, Idaho power has many types of attachments, city will help approve attachments in city rights of way. [6:52:10 PM](#) Idaho Power providing usage statistics, annual energy used and certain breakdowns of that energy, limitation to customer confidentiality. Feel we've reached a good compromise here with tracking goals and keeping confidentiality. [6:53:27 PM](#) summarizes the changes to the proposed agreement. [6:53:59 PM](#) Franchise agreement is a grant of right of way license for Idaho Power, provides for a fee and other areas, thanks to city staff for working with us on this agreement. Dan Olmstead and Megan Ronk are also present tonight.

[6:55:05 PM](#) Mayor Burke, thank you for calling out these changes made, compliments to these changes.

Thea has comments after public hearing.

Public comments:

[6:55:56 PM](#) no comments

Council Deliberation

[6:56:16 PM](#) Thea, thanks for describing these changes meeting both needs of groups. Comments about thoughtful items, 1, city's goals, clean energy resolution. Thea would like to suggest language to section 6, put in the dates for the Resolution, our target date, reaching and obtaining clean energy. And [6:58:30 PM](#) providing the information to us annually, annual check – in for clean energy goals.

[6:59:19 PM](#) Dawson, when we started out with Idaho Power, we were discussing more details such as Thea mentioned. There is no reason to add those points to this document. Megan Ronk may be able to elaborate further. [7:00:56 PM](#) Pat Harrington speaks, Megan is having trouble with her sound. Olmstead discusses the right of way, thought it was good to put the clean energy goals in another document, instead of complicating the right of way agreement, franchise agreement.

[7:02:10 PM](#) Linnet, section 9, quarterly summary, wonder if this will be helpful with energy auditing? Bundy responds, yes that was the goal in adding this section. We reached a happy medium in this section.

Martinez is proud of staff; [7:04:08 PM](#) he moves to approve Ord. No. 1277 authorize the Mayor to conduct 1st reading by title only, seconded by Thea. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Thea, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes.

[7:05:21 PM](#) Mayor Burke conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1277, by title only.

PH 076 Rubbish hauling workshop – update on actions taken by staff following city council direction from last meeting ACTION ITEM

[7:07:49 PM](#) Dawson, shows Idaho Power schedule. We are at point in process a full year ago, extended the ordinance twice. Last meeting, good direction. We will have nearly the same schedule for the Rubbish because it does not need to be effective until May 12th. Asks if staff wants to add anything and then will turn over to Clear Creek.

[7:10:07 PM](#) Bundy, just had a very productive meeting with the county, Fosbury and Lamar waters, Southern Idaho Solid Waste and Winn's Composting. [7:11:05 PM](#) Mike Goitendia, asked to discuss about the mechanics of some of the proposed agreement. Curbside service, composting every other week and recycling, green waste and yard waste in a new bin that will be provided by Clear Creek. [7:12:37 PM](#) Discussed cardboard recycling, 2nd cart also provided, alternate week pick up card board. Garbage would continue in same fashion. Blue bin program would continue as it does today. [7:14:07 PM](#) other enhancements, drop off services, 3rd Ave station and park n ride, a compactor dumpster, change from current dumpsters, completely contained inside the unit. Have power requirements, if no 3-phase power. And will need a concrete pad to receive the dumpster. A roll off dumpster for glass, has been tested in Ketchum, less contamination, less plastic bags, less mess on ground, similar size requirements, need concrete pad for this and electricity for this as well. Prices for Resin, and steel have risen since began this discussion, working on cost estimates.

Public comments:

[7:17:47 PM](#) no comments

Council Deliberation:

[7:18:09 PM](#) Linnet appreciates the cardboard information.

[7:18:26 PM](#) Thea asks the size of the carts for composting? Goitendia thought about using the largest cart, would make any size cart available for this service, want to be flexible. Thea may not think people will have room for another cart.

[7:21:19 PM](#) Burke curbside cardboard may reduce contamination, personal responsibility. Goitendia, yes true, part of the discussion. Thea, addresses her concerns, carbon foot print concerns about garbage trips.

[7:22:49 PM](#) Bundy heard interesting article about curb side recycling recently. People are getting more cardboard right now since the pandemic, anything to make it easier to recycle for people to recycle, more compliance. [7:24:08 PM](#) Dawson, more benefit to citizens. Compactor may be used by people that have more boxes, and out of area people. Dawson looking for information from council on how you feel about these options.

[7:25:25 PM](#) Husbands, wonders how expensive the concrete pads and electrical hook-ups will be, compared to home pick up. Curious about cost and sizes of containers. [7:26:21 PM](#) Goitendia, once site is determined, then can determine the costs. Getting recycling rejected will be helpful to residents.

[7:27:50 PM](#) Martinez, excited about the cardboard and composting alternating weeks. Living in Copper Ranch now, designated areas for recycling. Great opportunity for the city. Suggest compactor in addition to curbside recycling, in back of city hall.

[7:29:16 PM](#) Linnet supports both composting and home pick up if not too expensive, concerned with increased costs to citizens.

[7:30:16 PM](#) Thea, do you think we will need a compactor and home recycling, can we do away with the city cardboard. Goitendia, home pick up okay for residents. Commercial or multi-family and visitors, would be helpful for these scenarios.

[7:31:29 PM](#) Burke, financial considerations when we are presented with the information.

[7:31:52 PM](#) Dawson we will start with the curbside program and then address the compactor and see how it affects rates.

OLD BUSINESS:

OB 077 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1276, Street light standard drawings amendment to Chapter 18.14: Standard Drawings, Section 18.14.014: Miscellaneous ACTION ITEM

[7:33:08 PM](#) Thea moves to have 3rd reading by title only, ord. no. 1276, mayor to sign Linnet seconds. Martinez, yes. Linnet, yes. Thea, yes. Husbands, yes.

[7:34:36 PM](#) Mayor Burke conducts the 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1276 by title only.

Staff reports:

[7:35:37 PM](#) Dawson asked if anyone has heard our ad on the radio, regarding wearing masks. Dawson plays the ad for Mayor and council, it is in English and Spanish.

[7:37:26 PM](#) Brian Yeager has a staff report in the packet, regarding ITD summer construction. ITD will be giving an update to council once their contract with Knife River is final.

[7:38:22 PM](#) Thea, asks where we are with the high visibility crosswalks discussion? Yeager, have had discussions with ITD, several thermoplastic options, continental can be considered high visibility. Continental strategy is staff's suggestion, because stripes are in center of lane and last longer, need to match up with the ADA ramps. Thea, the 9 foot wide walkway has been proven to be safer for pedestrians. [7:41:04 PM](#) we should make as safe as possible. Yeager will look at the width.

[7:41:54 PM](#) Martinez, proud of staff, great presentations and collaborations. Husbands concurs with Martinez, thanks to Horowitz and Dawson for presenting the information. Library liaison, Elise Deklotz and Meaghan Flaherty are new employees working in the Library. They are applying for grant for new shelving in children's area. Virtual programs, story time, book clubs. Early walk, in March. Women's History month celebrating in March. Open 6 days a week. Helping schedule seniors covid vaccines.

[7:44:21 PM](#) **Martinez moves to adjourn, seconded by Thea, motion passed.**