

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD MARCH 8, 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.

[5:30:31 PM](#) call to order by Mayor Burke and gives direction on public comments.

Open Session for Public Concerns:

[5:31:51 PM](#) Lola Aicher of 441 Northstar and a member of the WATER club. Encourages the purchase of a water bar for events. Looks forward to more collaboration in resiliency goals.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- [CA 079](#) Motion to ratify the Mayor’s signature on letters in opposition of House Bill 253, amending Chapter 13, Title 63, Idaho Code, by the addition of a new Section 63-1317, to establish provision regarding the authorization of public art funding. Letters were mailed to Senator Regina Bayer, Representative Aaron von Ehlinger, Revenue and Taxation Services, Representative Sally Toone and Senator Michelle Stennett. ACTION ITEM
- [CA 080](#) Motion to approve minutes of February 22, 2021 and to suspend reading of them ACTION ITEM
- [CA 081](#) Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of February, 2021 and claims for expenses due by contract in March, 2021 ACTION ITEM

[5:33:58 PM](#) Martinez moved to approve all consent agenda items, seconded by Husbands, motion passed with roll call vote. Martinez, Husbands, Linnet, Thea, yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 082 First and only reading of Ordinance No. _____, “, by title only, an ordinance identifying a map identifying an area of city impact within the unincorporated area of the county, that defines and establishes geographic boundaries, repeals the existing Blaine County/Hailey Area of City Impact as adopted by Hailey Ord. No. 1271 and replacing it with Map Attachment 1. The geographic boundaries shown on Map Attachment 1 take into account trade areas, geographic factors, and areas that can reasonably be expected to annex into the City in the future”, dispensing with the second and third reading and adopting henceforth. (this action corrects a map error found in Ordinance No. 1271)

[5:35:09 PM](#) Horowitz gives overview, the county successfully adopted the map. We had a minor map error from last year’s adoption of the ACI map. Pleased to have a map adopted.

Public comments:

[5:37:07 PM](#) no public comments

[5:37:33 PM](#) Horowitz, slight error in previously adopted map with the agreement.

[5:38:34 PM](#) **Martinez moves to approve, conduct one reading by title only waive other readings, adopt ACI map, seconded Linnet. Motion passed with roll call vote. Husbands Thea Linnet Martinez, yes.**

[5:39:56 PM](#) **Mayor Burke conducts 1st and only reading of Ordinance No. 1279, by title only.**

PH 083 Changes to remedy an error in Resolution 2020-132, a resolution regarding the Map attached to the Memorandum of Understanding providing for additional comment for certain lands outside of the Area of City Impact. Changes to the map has resulted from the Blaine County ACI public hearing and deliberation process, and from an error which inadvertently included a portion of the Indian Creek Ranch common area into the Area of City Impact **ACTION ITEM**

[5:40:32 PM](#) Horowitz, ACI map attached to MOU with county, same correction as one before.

Public comments: There are none.

[5:41:55 PM](#) **Martinez moves to approve, Linnet seconds, Husbands, Thea, Martinez, Linnet.**

PH 084 Consideration of an Ordinance No. ____, an Ordinance amending the Zoning and Subdivision Fees, as outlined in the attachments, which shows a new fee for the Application of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) **ACTION ITEM**

[5:42:31 PM](#) Horowitz, many citizen interests for ADUs, fee of \$150, when exemption from noticing, fee is \$75.

Martinez asks, where did we get these numbers from? Horowitz responds.

[5:44:53 PM](#) public comments: none

[5:45:30 PM](#) **Thea moves to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1280 for new zoning and subdivision fees, Martinez seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Husbands, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez yes.**

[5:46:11 PM](#) **Mayor Burke conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1280, by title only.**

PH 085 Consideration of an Ordinance No. ____, amending to Title 13, Chapter 13.04, Section 13.04.140: Water and Wastewater Connection Fees, as outlined in the attachments, which shows a new fee for the connection of Accessory Dwelling Units. Items that are underlined are additions to the authorized fees, and a proposed Resolution 2021-____ conforms the Water & Wastewater Connection Fee Resolution to the new ordinance to be effective after the ordinance is adopted **ACTION ITEM**

[5:47:58 PM](#) Yeager gives an overview of this item.

[5:48:05 PM](#) Thea asks a question of Yeager. Yeager responds.

Public comments: [5:49:03 PM](#) none

[5:49:34 PM](#) Thea is good with this.

[5:50:05 PM](#) **Thea moves to adopt Ordinance No. 1281 Water and Wastewater connection fees and conduct 1st Reading, Martinez seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands yes, Linnet, yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes.**

[5:51:10 PM](#) **Burke conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1281, by title only.**

[5:52:05 PM](#) **Thea moves to approve Resolution 2021-021, approving rates for ADUs, Martinez seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Martinez, yes. Linnet, yes. Husbands, yes.**

*PH 086 Introduction of new Franchise Ordinance No. 1278, pertaining to rubbish hauling, and consideration of proposed Rubbish and Recycling curbside program expansion to include not only 1) solid waste and 2) recycled materials, but also adding two new curbside programs for 3) compostable materials and 4) corrugated cardboard. Discussion of system details and preliminary rates **ACTION ITEM***

[5:53:24 PM](#) Simms starts this, underlying discussion is probably most important tonight, menu of options and fees that staff and Clear Creek have compiled.

[5:54:58 PM](#) Mike Goitiandia with Clear creek speaks to council. Have prepared a small Powerpoint for discussion tonight to help clarify. Current rates are shown, including small, medium and large trash cans, 32-gallon cart is currently \$10.25 and large cart 95-gallon is \$24? Starting in May there will be a new base rate for each can. Proposed services small can, \$11.97, \$21.33 and \$28.41. [5:59:23 PM](#) Goitiandia explains the proposed costs shown on the presentation. Fees for organic waste, curbside cardboard pick up and recycling, cardboard compactor, glass compactor. [6:02:30 PM](#) if select less services, franchise fee would go down respectively. And with all proposed services, totals for garbage services would be \$23.74, \$33.10 and \$40.18 for the 3 sizes. In last meeting Linnet made a comment on incentivizing for small cart. Medium and large carts are price weighted, subsidized for small carts. Goitiandia, if we weight the large carts more, then we would likely have to have a price increase.

[6:05:36 PM](#) Dawson asks Mike to discuss fees. Goitiandia, franchise fee helps offset wear and tear on streets from the heavy trucks, pays for drop to Ohio Gulch trash, also pays for carts for trash, recycling bins.

[6:07:16 PM](#) Mayor Burke asks if we adopt the cardboard curbside and organic waste, will be bill everyone whether or not they use the service? Can people choose? [6:07:58 PM](#) Goitiandia, pricing is for all residents to be billed for the service. Subscription only, rates would be more expensive.

[6:09:18 PM](#) Thea asks this includes the glass compactor and cardboard compactor. Yes, Goitiandia confirms.

[6:09:46 PM](#) Linnet, that is a maximum number if we adopted all of the services. Goitiandia, confirms, yes that is right. How do we currently pay for glass and cardboard recycling now? Goitiandia, that is in our current franchise agreement.[6:12:12 PM](#) Linnet what are practical consequences between curbside cardboard drop-off or site cardboard. Goitiandia responds, more convenient to customers. Some talk with staff, keeping sites for people who don't live here.

[6:13:34 PM](#) Thea if we need something later, can it be added later? [6:14:27 PM](#) Goitiandia always can add services, item that would change, capitalization costs may have to increase, monthly cost may increase to add the services. [6:15:10 PM](#) if we went with just cardboard curbside, what about multi-family units? [6:15:44 PM](#) Goitiandia responds, that recycling would be with a dumpster. It would be up to the council, mandatory for paying for it.

[6:16:27 PM](#) Mayor Burke, slide with the 3 sizes of cans, picture of organic material slide, limbs, and 2 bins, is that what we would be recycling? Goitiandia, no it would be similar to your garbage cart, different lid colors for organics and cardboard.

[6:18:10 PM](#) Thea what is organic waste that is collected, food waste and green yard waste? Leaves and grass clippings.

[6:19:21 PM](#) Simms reads the compostable materials, "food and yard waste capable of breaking down...."

[6:19:56 PM](#) Horowitz, what about dog waste? Bundy, we need to confirm with Winn's Composting.

[6:20:45 PM](#) Dawson, tonight's goal is to introduce the ordinance, then the franchise ordinance will be published, then we will bring back agreements after 30 days. Take public comments and ask questions without making a decision yet.

[6:21:54 PM](#) public comments:

[6:22:14 PM](#) Jane Drussel Hailey resident and business owner comments, she has concerns about this in winter months, pay for composting, but it won't be going on. Don't want to pay for this all year long, don't see a need for this. People that are serious about this, do this at their home. Other concern, a lot of people in dire straits right now, struggling to put food on the table right now. Don't see that these things are necessary. People will start using commercial bins to dump their trash. Concerns for timing and paying for this during the winter months. Don't understand the cardboard at the corner, who pays for this expense? Is that going to go away?

[6:25:54 PM](#) Martinez, has a question for Goitiandia. Interested to hear how many 32-gallon carts, threshold before changing rates to higher price. Goitiandia can get this price to staff and to

council. Thinks the city should help out with this cost. Most of the discussion, best practice, education for partnerships, this starts with a strong commitment.

[6:28:19 PM](#) Linnet shares Drussel's concern about the increased costs, would like to hear from the public. In favor of moving forward and having more public discussion.

[6:29:03 PM](#) Husbands, why is the organic waste so expensive? How much Winn's composting will charge for the product? [6:29:39 PM](#) Goitiandia responds to this question. There are capital costs built into that rate, i.e. trucks. If curbside cardboard would be selected and not organic, it would be \$6.00 in cost. Would swap with the organic waste cost. What Winns' charges, he is not sure. It costs \$25/ton to dump at his site.

[6:31:26 PM](#) Dawson, asks Goitiandia to talk about the equipment. And a sporadic pick up in winter. Goitiandia, capital costs would be the same, costs would be similar. Operating costs may change, won't see much of a discount.

[6:33:40 PM](#) Bundy reminds folks that site drop-offs are currently being paid for and used, these will be additional fees to continue them. 40% less cost with compactor for cardboard. [6:34:44 PM](#) Goitiandia, yes, less money with compactor for cardboard, less trips.

[6:35:11 PM](#) Thea the price increase is unfortunate in timing, but feel it is time we take responsibility of creating waste and help our climate and environment. Suggest using less in the first place. Food waste is an important item to convert composting for useful material. We should put our energy into helping our climate and doing the right thing. Timing is unfortunate.

[6:38:14 PM](#) Burke, has a 95-gallon can, don't have to take can out more than once a month right now, keep a big can for summer months for clippings, rocks, bark, debris. Wonder if it would work for her to get smaller can, to put valuable items in the organic waste cart, don't cook anymore. Understand what Drussel is saying. There is more to this, don't have an answer right now, and taking public comment and looking at individual challenges.

[6:40:39 PM](#) Linnet all we are doing is introducing the ord. and notice of hearing process? Burke confirms yes.

[6:41:51 PM](#) Thea has comments on the agreement when appropriate.

[6:42:04 PM](#) Simms, action item is moving along the ordinance. Pricing discussion will continue to happen.

[6:42:52 PM](#) Thea asks a question about pg. 89, section 4 rights and obligations, item E. underlined the last sentence, why is that in here, city can disconnect service. [6:43:39 PM](#) Dawson responds, the reason the city sends trash bill with water and wastewater, mandatory rubbish in the City of Hailey, decision, everyone would pay. There is not an "opt-out" program, has been in place for 30 years. We are able to collect the cans if someone does not pay their bill, we shut off their water and pick up the trash can.

[6:46:04 PM](#) **Martinez moves to adopt Ordinance No. 1278 authorize the 1st reading by title only, seconded by Husbands. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Thea, yes.**

Staff reports:

[6:48:16 PM](#) Thea asks about campground, is it possible to stake out boundaries of campsite on the property. Would serve the community well and us to have a visual. Yeager, that sounds fine to him, will use the candlesticks from street department to show the boundaries.

[6:49:37 PM](#) **Martinez moves to adjourn, Linnet seconds, motion passed unanimously.**