MINUTES OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, March 28, 2011 * Hailey City Hall Meeting Room

Present:  Carol Brown, Don Keirn, Rick Davis, Fritz Haemmerle, Martha Burke
Staff:  Jeff Gunter, Mike Chapman, Heather Dawson, Mariel Platt, Beth Robrahn, Tracy Anderson, Ned Williamson

5:30 p.m. CALL TO ORDER
5:30:18 PM  The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rick Davis.

Open Session for Public Concerns:
Beth Robrahn introduced Bart Bingham as the City’s new Planning Coordinator.

Airport Issues:
5:31:45 PM  None.

MAYOR’S REMARKS:
5:34:32 PM  Rick Davis commended Fire Chief Mike Chapman for 20 years of service with the Hailey Fire and Rescue Department. Mayor Davis thanked Mr. Chapman for bringing new and higher levels of fire protection and training to Hailey, and presented a plaque to Chief Chapman in appreciation. Mr. Chapman thanked the Council, City staff and Fire Department staff for their support.

CONSENT AGENDA:
CA 112  Motion to approve Idaho Humanities Council grant award of $4,000 for the Hailey Rodeo Park Interpretive Exhibit Conceptual Design, with an estimated budget of $25,000 for this phase.
CA 113  Motion to approve State Historic Preservation Office/Idaho Certified Local Government Program grant award of $3,500 for the Historic Hailey Crossroads Interpretive Panel & Brochure, with a total budget of $7,555.
CA 114  Motion to ratify Mayor Davis’ signature on letter of support for Mountain Rides 2012 Funding Applications.
CA 115  Motion to approve Resolution # 2011-07 authorizing the River Street lease and authorize the Council President to sign.
CA116  Motion to approve Resolution # 2011-08 authorizing the Hailey Ice lease and authorize the Mayor to sign.
CA 117  Motion to approve amended fare schedule with rate change for Miller’s Limo, an auto transportation company.
CA 118  Motion to approve a special event at Hop Porter Park on 4/23/11. The Advocates “Carbonate Hill Climb.”
CA 119  Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of February, 2011, and claims for expenses due by contract in March, 2011.

Don Keirn moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Martha Burke seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

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PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS:

PP 120  Fools Proclamation supporting Company of Fools.
5:34:13 PM Mayor Davis proclaimed April 1, 2011 as Fools Day and commends Company of Fools for its quality work in bringing live theatre to Hailey.

PP 121  Hailey Community Climate Challenge
5:38:02 PM Heather Dawson made a Power Point presentation to explain details of this grant and to make sure more thorough information about the City’s grant program is fully understood.
5:45:04 PM Mariel Platt added that while the main goal through the US EPA is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, Hailey will see many co-benefits associated with this grant including a downtown bike-share program, solid waste management capacity-building program, a community audit and retrofit program with renewable energy system incentives, downtown energy efficient streetlight upgrade, a green building demonstration project, and education outreach.

PUBLIC HEARING:

PH 122  An application by Sweetwater LLC for final plat of Sweetwater PUD Townhouses, Block 4, Sublots 46-53 and Sublots 36-45 & 54-57. The preliminary plat was approved November 10, 2010.
5:55:33 PM Mayor Davis recused himself from this part of the meeting. Fritz Haemmerle opened the meeting to public comment. Beth Robrah asked for continuance as she and Ned Williamson needed more time to carefully review all details of the application. Carol Brown moved to continue the matter. Martha Burke seconded, and the continuance was granted until the April 11, 2011 meeting, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Davis returned to the meeting.

PH 123  Consideration of request to increase solid waste/garbage collection fees by Clear Creek and Resolution 2011-09 setting rates.
5:57:15 PM Ned Williamson reviewed Clear Creek’s price increase proposal and advised that he believed it to be reasonable. 5:59:20 PM Evan Robertson, PO Box 1906, Twin Falls, represented Clear Creek and stated that this increase was a direct pass-through due to the County’s hike in landfill “tipping fees” one month ago. Discussion followed regarding structure of fees, reasons for the increase, some confusion between figures provided earlier by Clear Creek and the figures provided at this meeting. 6:06:16 PM After review, 6:10:23 PM Mike Goitiandia with Clear Creek Disposal, PO Box 1303, Ketchum, explained which figures were correct, and further explained that he believed that the County raised its fees to Clear Creek because tonnage is down since the construction industry is also down, and therefore revenue is down. He pointed out that the County had also made improvements to the recycling center at the landfill site. 6:20:21 PM Heather Dawson stated that this issue was fully vetted by the County, including public hearing, in the fall of 2010, and that Ketchum has already approved this pass-thru fee increase.
Mayor Davis opened the meeting to public comment.

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6:22:47 PM Peter Lobb, 403 E. Carbonate, asked if the franchise fee to the City would increase as well. Ned Williamson said it would not.
6:23:47 PM With no further public comment offered, Mayor Davis brought the meeting back to the Council. Discussion included disappointment in seeing addition cost increases in these hard economic times, and gratitude for Clear Creek’s diligence in presenting their information.
6:25:25 PM Martha Burke moved to adopt the resolution 2011-09. Fritz Haemmerle seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PH 124 Proposed Ordinance 1081 establishing Urban Renewal Agency and Board.
6:26:31 PM Ned Williamson pointed out that the Board has already been established, the purpose in this meeting is to establish the Ordinance; to put into municipal code the legal underpinnings for the URA just the way it has been done for the other committees and boards in the City. Mayor Davis opened the meeting to public comment.
6:29:16 PM Marcia Collado, 311 E. Carbonate asked for funding details and the effect this would have on property taxes. Don Keirn responded that there will be no impact. Heather Dawson explained this in more detail. 6:30:00 PM Ned Williamson pointed out there would be a minimum of three public hearings on this matter.
6:33:15 PM With no further public comments offered, Mayor Davis brought the meeting back to the Council.
6:34:13 PM Fritz Haemmerle moved to approve Ordinance No. 1081 and authorize the mayor to conduct the first reading by title only. Carol Brown seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Davis then conducted the first reading of Ordinance No. 1081 by title only.

NEW BUSINESS:
NB 125 Review of McKinstry’s preliminary energy analysis of city buildings and approval of future direction.
6:35:26 PM Mariel Platt reviewed the analysis with the Council. The Council expressed support, especially of the priorities in the analysis. Mayor Davis asked if the study had included the library furnace which has needed repair. Ms. Platt said she would inquire of McKinstry. 6:39:14 PM The Council expressed their approval and advised Ms. Platt to move forward.

NB126 Update on the first year of Ordinance 1055 allowing up to 3 hens in residential areas; the Ordinance will expire on June 9, 2011 unless otherwise provided for by adoption of a new ordinance.
6:39:41 PM Beth Robrahm asked for Council direction on this ordinance, and noted that she had only received two complaints through the past year, one based on too many hens in one yard, and the other based on the appearance of a rooster. Mayor Davis noted no complaints made to him. 6:43:51 PM Council advised Ms. Robrahm to draft a new ordinance to present to them.
NB 127  Consideration of Lease Agreement with Sawtooth Rangers for the Days of the Old West Rodeo event use of Hailey’s Multi-Use Arena for the 4th of July Rodeos for three years, beginning 2011 through 2013.

NB 128  Consideration of Lease Agreement with Hailey Chamber of Commerce for use of the Hailey Interpretive Center as a combined use with the Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center for a three-year period.

NB 129  Consideration of final design by Architect Nick Latham for the Interpretive Center floor plan prior to final drawings being completed for building permit.

6:44:58 PM  Don Keirn opened the discussion by asking if the Interpretive Center was also meant to be Chamber of Commerce headquarters, or if the Chamber was simply using this space to hand out visitor information.  Heather Deckard, Executive Director of the Chamber, explained that the space would serve both purposes for the Chamber.

6:46:27 PM  Nick Latham and Michael Bulls of Ruscitto Latham Blanton gave an overview of how the Interpretive Center design has changed during the last year and the thought process for those changes.  6:54:46 PM  The present plans were shown to the Council with LEED certification notes.  6:59:11 PM  Martha Burke pointed out the need for exhibit storage space to be kept as a priority.  Mr. Latham noted that the goal was to keep the space flexible and as open as possible.

7:06:44 PM  Heather Dawson emphasized that the integrity of this design is fundamentally the same as what was originally presented to voters.  7:08:34 PM  She went on to explain the details of lease agreement.  7:09:55 PM  Discussion included indemnifying the City, liability for displays, exact spaces dedicated to Chamber and how they will be charged for that, operating hours and shared use of the Interpretive Center space.  7:12:46 PM  Ms. Deckard commended the teamwork between the City and the Chamber, and voiced appreciation for the opportunity to meet common needs.  Further discussion included details of maintenance and repairs, definition of square footage appropriation and payment for such.  Consensus is reached that the balance of space/fees/responsibilities needs further review.  Nick Latham notes that the project is still generally on budget.

7:39:53 PM  No representatives from the Sawtooth Rangers were present at this meeting, so Heather Dawson spoke regarding their proposed lease at the rodeo grounds.  Ned Williamson addressed details of the lease regarding immunity beyond some level of ticket sales, and that it may compromise immunity for the City.  7:42:35 PM  Council emphatically voiced its desire to keep the statute’s protection.  7:46:51 PM  Mayor Davis rescheduled this topic for the next regular meeting and asked staff to be sure the Sawtooth Rangers are encouraged to attend.

WORKSHOP:
Staff Reports
7:47:28 PM  Heather Dawson noted Tom Hellen was on vacation and she reiterated his work on change orders at the rodeo park, getting the sound system costs down, camping in Lion’s Park, the electrical meter at the Interpretive Center, and revisions in plumbing on the project.
7:51:20 PM Diamond Sun Production would like to film at the next meeting when students from Wood River High School will present their proposal for banning plastic shopping bags in Hailey.

7:52:54 PM Beth Robrahn noted there would be a public presentation on May 23 regarding the airport site. She hoped the meeting could be held at the high school to allow more people to attend.

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

8:00:29 PM Martha Burke moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation (IC 67-2345(1)(f)). Fritz Haemmerle seconded, a roll call vote approves unanimously. Burke, yes. Haemmerle, yes. Keirn, yes. Brown, yes.

Heather Dawson, Ned Williamson, Mayor Davis and the Council were in attendance. No decisions were made.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.**

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Rick Davis, Mayor

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Mary Cone, City Clerk