MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2009
IN THE HAILEY TOWN CENTER MEETING ROOM

The special goal setting meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:32 P.M. by Mayor Rick Davis. Present were Council members Don Keirn, Carol Brown, Fritz Haemmerle and Martha Burke. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson, City Administrator Heather Dawson and City Clerk Mary Cone.

CONSENT AGENDA:

CA 143 Motion to approve Alcohol Beverage License Application for La India ..............................................................1
CA 144 Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the IDEQ Letter of Intent for Reclaimed Wastewater Loan/Grant .......5
CA 145 Motion to approve claims for expenses for April 2009 including dispatch payment for having received no decline in service for the prior month............................................................................................................. 11

Motion to approve all consent agenda items made by Burke, seconded by Haemmerle, motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR’S REMARKS:

Mayor Davis congratulated Elizabeth Jefferies for being named the Environmental Advocate of the Year by the Sun Valley / Ketchum Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Davis continued regarding the last Blaine Leadership meeting held at Hailey City Hall where 4 day work weeks were discussed. Char Nelson, interim county administrator, and Dawson have solicited opinions within their municipalities and now we should go to the public with the idea. Dawson asked for council to give their thoughts on this topic. Haemmerle is against this because he wants to make sure that day to day operations in City Hall would be available to citizens 5 days a week. Keirn is in support of a proposed 4 day work week. Brown would be okay with the idea if staff support staggered schedules to make sure front office availability were 5 days a week, for example half of the staff worked Monday through Thursday and the other half of staff worked Tuesday through Friday.

Mayor Davis then introduced the 2009 Strategic Planning Session, to be facilitated by Dawson.

Dawson opened the goal setting meeting with a Lightning Round update. Each Department Head, council member and commission/board member had 1 minute to provide the single most effective goal accomplished over the past year. These goals included the following:

Mayor Davis is pleased with City Hall employees with regards to his efficiencies and business friendly administration goals. Also, Davis has received complements from citizens that the City has improved its customer service.
Beth Robrahn spoke for the Planning department. The greatest achievement has been personnel development. In addition to this, combining the Building and Planning departments has made each department more efficient.

Dave Ferguson agrees with Robrahn’s comments and also adds the Building Departments’ shed brochure has been helpful.

The Library expanded their open hours and program events without adding staff. Gurney focused on these primarily as well as making the library a more visually appealing environment.

Elizabeth Jeffries stated the largest HELP accomplishment was in completing the Hailey baseline study. Jeffries gave credit to all the city departments and stated that the HELP committee merely had the ideas and the departments followed through with them.

Brown acknowledged many goals carried out by staff and council. Especially, recognizing new council members and new staff members and how they all pulled together to make it work. Brown is also proud of the creation of Tree City USA designation. Brown also thanked all the volunteers on the board and commissions, we could not be successful without them.

Gunter is most proud of the partnership with the school and having a full time officer there. Purchased a radar trailer with LOT funds, acquired a drug dog from Ketchum for $1.

Dawson has noticed better external and internal communications.

Dawson then led council in a discussion to list their wish list of goal items, asking for target dates from city staff when possible. Dawson captured the Department Heads and council thoughts on what the City should focus on for the next year. These items included a list of work in progress list and work not yet started list.

Council then discussed opportunities as well as challenges with the upcoming year.

The second April (4/27) meeting Dawson will present council with draft dates on all of the items listed tonight.

Mayor Davis concluded the session at 7:25 pm.

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Rick Davis, Mayor

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Mary Cone, City Clerk