The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Council President Don Keirn. Present were Council members Colleen Teevin, Pat Cooley, and Martha Burke. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson, City Administrator Heather Dawson, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

Mayor Fritz Haemmerle not present.

5:29:43 PM Call to order by Don Keirn

Open Session for Public Comments:

5:30:05 PM Bob MacLeod Hailey resident wonders about a new Kiosk at Wells Fargo Bank. Tony Evans answered it is an April fool’s joke.

CONSENT AGENDA:

CA 099 Motion to ratify the Mayor’s signature and authorization, approving the Idaho Transportation 2016 ADA Curb Ramp Grant Application for submittal

CA 100 Motion to approve Resolution 2016-33, authorizing the Mayor to sign a Letter of Understanding with Idaho Power to establish monthly payments

CA 101 Motion to approve Resolution 2016-34, authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with SPF Engineering for wetlands permitting on a 0.5-acre site adjacent to Indian Springs collection area as part of the Indian Springs improvement project for an amount not to exceed $9,000

CA 102 Motion to approve Resolutions, authorizing the Mayor to sign and approve agreements with the following companies to participate in the City’s Adopt a Park Program and provide park maintenance: 2016-35, with Webb Landscape for Hop Porter Park; 2016-36, with Clearwater Landscaping for Keefer Park; 2016-37, with Lily and Fern, a Division of Whitehead Landscaping for Jimmy’s Garden; 2016-38 with Sun Valley Services for Jimmy’s Garden; 2016-39 with Swenke Landscape Company for Hailey Skate Park

CA 103 Motion to approve Resolution 2016-40, authorizing execution of an arena rental agreement with the 5th District High School Rodeo and a Special Event Permit for a competition on May 13th and 14th 2016

CA 104 Motion to approve Resolution 2016-41, authorizing execution of an arena rental agreement with Live a Little Productions for the Monster Truck Insanity Tour and Special Event Permit on September 9th and 10th 2016

CA 105 Motion to approve special event, Hailey Skate Competition, to be held at the City of Hailey Skatepark (Saturday, June 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

CA 106 Motion to approve special event, Trailing of the Sheep, to be held at the Roberta McKercher Park (Saturday, October 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

CA 107 Motion to approve special event, Firefighter 5 Alarm Chili Cookoff, to be held on Galena Street between Main Street and 1st Avenue (Saturday, June 19th from 12:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.)

CA 108 Motion to approve special event, Color Me Fearless Girls on the Run 5K, to be held at Heagle Park and course to go through surrounding neighborhood (Saturday, June 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)

CA 109 Motion to approve hydroelectric turbine replacement

CA 110 Motion to approve CNI’s pay request #9 in the amount of $234,709.97

CA 111 Motion to approve minutes of March 17, 2016 and to suspend reading of them
Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of March 2016 and claims for expenses due by
contract in April 2016 .................................................................

Dawson pulls item CA 107
Burke pulls item CA 104

Burke moves to approve all consent agenda items minus CA 104 and CA 107, seconded by Cooley, motion passed unanimously.

CA 104 – monster truck event, Burke references snow machines throughout the city. Burke points out that this event could be an issue with noise on this event. This could generate feedback that we need to be prepared for. Burke has a concern for this event, but she is not sure what if anything needs to be changed, not sure what to expect from the event.

Williamson asks a question of Burke.

Keirn thinks we are in a learning curve for events.

Burke moves to approve CA 104, seconded by Cooley, motion passed unanimously.

CA 107, Dawson announced that the event is Sunday June 19, 2016 not Saturday as indicated on the Agenda Item Summary.

Burke moves to approve CA 107, Teevin seconds, motion passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

PP 113  Presentation on Hailey’s Water Conservation Plan and Rebate Program

Mariel Miller presents to council while showing a slide presentation to the room. Goal, use less water, more wisely. Miller talks about ways to improve water conservation. We have put together a low water use action plan for customers. Leak detection services we provide monthly to help find leaks, based on high usage reports, send letters to customers. Have linked our parks to wells and watering...can we retire some irrigation at any parks or portions of parks? Grant award for grass replacement plan, started April 1, 2016 through October 1, 2016. Miller describes ways to conserve, retiring areas from irrigation or switching grass to drought tolerant species. Partnership with Wood River Land Trust on Workshops, through May, June and July.

Patti Lousen from Wood River Land Trust, hands out a flyer on the rebate program. landscape design, great to collaborate with City. Just under 10 people have applied for this program rebate program, added Miller.

Winn Weaver, with Winn’s Compost on Ohio Gulch Road speaks to Council. Weaver brought in 3 buckets to this meeting with compost inside the buckets. If the city wants true conservation, then you need to look at the soil when you address this topic. Weaver
suggests that asking owners to add composting to the soil will help retain water and help with water conservation.

5:51:34 PM Burke comments, thinks this is a good idea to look into.

5:52:32 PM Ron Taylor Hailey Resident, how small of a project qualifies? Minimum is 200 square foot, answers Miller.

5:53:02 PM Patti Lousen added comment regarding Denver city, on the Eastern Slope, they require amended soil for all development projects as a part of water conservation. So, this could be a consideration that the council may want to think about to help with water conservation.

5:53:38 PM Peter Hendricks Sun Valley Mayor, they (City of Sun Valley) is concerned with water usage in their city too. Would like a Blaine County awareness program that focuses on this topic.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 114 Discussion of Fire Services consolidation matters

5:55:15 PM fire services consolidation, Williamson opens the discussion, points to the Mayor’s letter sent to the Council members last week. Will meet with fire agencies next week to further discuss.

5:56:34 PM Aberbach comments, opening the conversation of the future, how do we maximize what we have today and the future. Aberbach suggests that we could be in 3 fire stations in the future versus 4 today. Goals included, providing same level of service that we provide today, and maintain current budgets. What we’ve done so far includes, joint training weekly, shared resources, joint purchasing, (fire hose order, larger pool of order, saved money on order). Benefits, public opinion – long term cost avoidance, reduction in duplication of services, more efficient economies of scale, better accountability, better continuous emergency coverage due to larger combined force.

6:01:55 PM Williamson suggests a Joint Powers Agreement. Form another entity (i.e. FMAA) or form a joint board. Williamson suggests the next step is to get the elected officials together on a joint board, and general public would not notice any difference. Another topic, history of Blaine Manor property, Williamson gives the history. Hailey owned this property in early 1900’s and then sold to County in 1958, building used as a medical facility until a few years ago. Williamson covered the 1956 and 1958 bond elections for the health facility. 1958 bond election, passed with 68.8% votes. Hailey voters passed this measure with 88.9%. Post 1958 bond election, The Department of Health notified that the grant funds would help for the building but not for property, so the County needed the property from the City. The Blaine County attorney also represented Hailey City for this property deal. Williamson has spoken with Tim Graves and Derek Voss about this history. Williamson would like to talk to the county about this issue. But for Hailey voters, this would not have passed by voters without the support of Hailey voters, and property conveyance by Hailey city for this medical facility.

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Aberbach would like to move slowly and do it right.

Horowitz adds, points to a map posted in the Council Chambers and more specifically the elementary school, in 1905, the racetrack property included the Blaine Manor area and was all deeded to the City. Later, the school district property was deeded from the City to School and in 1958, the Blaine Manor property was deeded to the County.

Seth Martin Ketchum fire district, appreciates Williamson approaching him on this topic. Martin is excited about this prospect and this will be good.

Keirn sees this as a good idea.

Cooley supports this idea and it is worth exploring.

Burke recounts questions during her campaigning for various City Council elections, people ask “why do we need so many fire houses and are they separate entities?” The community is behind this idea, Burke believes. A good location is key to the success of consolidation. Burke supports the steps we are taking and all of the information presented. Burke would support a joint powers agreement or a separate entity, whichever is most effective. Burke thanks Aberbach for his efforts.

Aberbach comments, bigger is better, everything is working well right now.

Kaz Thea Hailey Resident, has some questions. She supports consolidation. If blaine Manor chosen, what do you see happening with existing fire stations? What makes Blaine Manor the optimal site?

Aberbach responds and describes why the location would be good.

Dawson adds ESCI study, consolidation study. One conclusion of the study, optimal place for fire station is in the corridor between cemetery and South 3rd Avenue (where the fire station is currently located. Another conclusion by Chief Aberbach, when he was hired was that optimal fire station location was where it is now, independent of knowing the 3rd party consolidation results.

Burke adds a benefit about location of stations and insurance ratings.

Seth Martin adds a comment based on his call volume needs.

Kaz Thea concludes, this is working well, this is a great step and a natural progression.
Linda Haavik Hailey resident, Oct. 2013 license transferred from Blaine Manor to SafeHaven and its residents moved out in January 2015 to Bellevue’s facility. Haavik discloses that her son is a Wood River Firefighter and Paramedic and that she is in support of this consolidation idea. There are compelling arguments to have the Blaine Manor site for public use. Haavik feels that the county should see the benefits too.

Ron Taylor is not representing Wood River Fire with his comments tonight. Taylor suggests this could be a shared public safety facility for Hailey Police too. Taylor is optimistic about this idea.

Tony Evans with Idaho Mountain Express asks about the bond election for the Woodside Fire Station, a few years ago? Is this still a goal? Dawson answers, it was in 2006, it failed and sense that 2 studies state that that is not a good location for a station. In addition to this, it is not a part of our capital plan any longer.

Aberbach adds a comments about the Bellevue Fire station.

Winn Weaver comments, have you discussed equipment purchases. Aberbach answers, no duplication of purchasing happening.

Aberbach closing comments, Blaine Manor ideal to build in new spot to not disrupt current operations.

Williamson asks for a motion on the board and authorize Williamson to meet with County Commissioners.

Horowitz believes a civic presence at this site would be a positive land use result.

Teevin thinks this makes sense to pursue.

Burke moves to propose a Joint Powers Agreement appointing an elected official from each entity to discuss, Cooley seconds, motion passed unanimously. Discussion about who to appoint. Burke would like to be the appointee, council agrees.

Burke moves to asks that City attorney begin discussions with Blaine County officials to pursue Blaine Manor site, seconded by Cooley, motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Ordinance No. _____ adopting a fee to be paid by development applicants for costs of city engineering services

Horowitz gave an overview of this item, explains this proposal, collecting a retainer up front, bill against the project and refund any unused funds at end of project.

Carl Hjelm Hailey resident speaks to council. Hjelm is concerned about passing along fees to applicant where applicant is paying, and there is no way to control costs.
Weaver feels the new fill spout fee is pretty inexpensive.

Horowitz is sensitive to this comment and feels that most projects are $250-$500.

Keirn is adamant on cost recovery, if we can word this to put control on it.

Williamson adds a comment. These are licensed professionals and responsible in their billings and feels they are very prudent.

Keirn is in favor of the reasonable numbers presented in this item.

Cooley moves to adopt Ordinance No. 1195 authorize 1st Reading by title only, seconded by Burke, motion passed unanimously.

Keirn conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1195 by title only.

Consideration of Ordinance No. _____, amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 2, updating references to Idaho Code within sections governing Hailey’s boards and commissions, and other housekeeping amendments, including amendments to the bylaws of each board

Dawson reviewed all boards and commissions at the same time as to see if they are being run uniformly, this proposal brings all boards structure to similar platform.

No public comments.

Burke moves to adopt Ordinance No. 1196, conduct 1st reading by title only, Teevin seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Keirn conducts 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 1196 by title only.

Airport Issues

Williamson, Cooley and Keirn will meet with Peter Kirsch tomorrow to understand what was discussed in the meeting tonight. This committee is meeting today at 5:30 pm. Kirsch is presenting 3 items to the committee, runway use safety program, noise abatement and its legal parameters.

Burke comments chapter E is a failed chapter. Can we define a new scope of work for a new land footprint, question for the FAA. There are different properties that can consider for a replacement airport, maybe some with smaller footprints, for example.

Deicing comments and airplane landing “too close” together both being looked into by the FAA, comments Keirn.
NEW BUSINESS:

NB 118  Parks and Lands Board Recommendation and presentation of proposed play equipment at Heagle Park, donated by Kiwanis Club

7:02:52 PM Miller presents this item, the Kiwanis has dedicated funds for some new equipment.

7:06:38 PM Cooley makes motion to accept recommendation by the Parks and Lands Board, seconded by Burke, motion passed unanimously.

Motion to accept donation of play equipment by the Kiwanis Club made by Cooley, seconded by Burke, motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS:

7:07:23 PM Dawson hands out document regarding the Hunger Coalition, Lynea Petty with Hunger coalition presents to council. 7:08:34 PM Petty presents the Blaine County community food assessment results. Consumption, the lowest and highest income brackets shop out of county for their groceries. Education level and household size do not seem to influence food values for households. In Hailey, 34% of households shop at farmer’s market. Food Recovery, composting food waste pilot is in effect with Winn’s composting and Clear Creek, collecting food waste from commercial users, including, the school district, Sun Valley Resort and Valley Club. Food Insecurity boils down to affordability. Coping mechanisms, include eating home more frequently. Moving forward there is a steering committee to conduct monthly meetings setting a vision, mission and value of the group. Consultant coming in May. Specific projects include farm to school edible education.

7:23:31 PM Cooley asked if there are any community food plots? Petty replied, no.

7:25:15 PM Tony Evans asks a question. Miller replied.

7:26:51 PM Horowitz zoning enforcement from CD dept. handed out documents to council.

7:27:21 PM Miller announces new employee in Parks and Event Coordinator, Stephanie Cook, coming from Webb landscaping.

7:28:26 PM Dawson shows posters to council, on Pathways to People project. Tomorrow making a presentation at the Sawtooth Board of Realtors. Tomorrow night, PTA meeting, then Senior Connection and Rotary, with this presentation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Real Property Acquisition (IC 74-206(1)(c)), Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation (IC 74-206(1)(f)), and/or Personnel (IC 74-206(1)(a/b))

No Executive Session needed tonight.

7:30:00 PM Cooley will be out on 4/18/16 meeting.

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With no further business meeting was adjourned.