MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD APRIL 09, 2020
IN THE HAILEY TOWN CENTER MEETING ROOM

The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 2:00 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.

2:00:25 PM Call to order by Mayor Burke

Open Session for Public Comments:

No public comments.

MAYOR’S REMARKS:

2:01:27 PM Mayor Burke has asked councilman Linnet to listen to meetings and disseminate to council. He understands HIPPA, attorney client privilege, will share with you what he can, it would be part of our public record, thanks Linnet for taking this on. In following this, Linnet will split the legal hairs. Burke acknowledges, Thea’s request for spokesperson, she will work on this, will have this discussion in a meeting.

2:04:34 PM Linnet thanks Burke for this opportunity. Doesn’t want council to think this is last resort, but will provide what information he can to help in decision making.

OLD BUSINESS:

OB 164 Discussion of Construction Activity Guidelines (no action)

2:07:32 PM Lisa Horowitz starts this discussion. Valley wide guidelines when jurisdictions feel time is ready, will have construction companies follow these guidelines. Summarize comments. Some items may be hard to enforce. Horowitz goes through these items, one by one, including the wash stations, no sharing vehicles and no sharing of tools, also encourage people to bring lunch and not leave job site, not working if signs of illness. Penalties may not be strict enough, are they same applicable for indoor and outdoor workers?

Public comments:

2:14:36 PM John Campbell, has reviewed the regulations, only one might be tough is sanitization of blue room once per day, disagrees with this standard, want it to be once per week.

2:16:08 PM Kris Josey, ArborCare owner, landscaping tossed under construction category, but are very different. Our jobs are varied, and jobs may last 2 days, these are not practical for our type of company. Would like to see different guidelines for our company.
2:18:47 PM Burke feels their company is a bit different. 2:19:11 PM Josey, number 14, we cannot comply because they are not

2:20:00 PM unknown citizen commenting, if workers can’t make masks for themselves? Is there an outside resource for the protective gear. Burke responds to statement.

2:20:49 PM Teri Johnson, Sawtooth Plumbing, good guidelines, can email by Brad Little’s office, covers different.

2:38:28 PM Linnet speaking about increased risk for activities. To adopt these guidelines, we will potentially increasing spread of COVID spread.

2:40:01 PM Horowitz responded, yes we did as well as many others. Linnet asks are other communities showing success with guidelines? Horowitz can inquire. Have local authorities given ??? on

2:41:26 PM Burke anticipates that Dr. O’Connor will present the most recent data at 10 am tomorrow EOC meeting and thinks he will give his recommendation. Linnet, would construction projects be under states guidelines or local? Want more advice on how large crews should be. Linnet, worried about allowing crews of 50 people on job sites.

Enforcement needs to me more stringent, and shut down after one offense., Linnet states. If companies can’t follow guidelines, maybe what Thea said or another penalty. 2:44:57 PM how does our current order prohibiting out of county travel, affect crews, 1) if it is practical to still enforce this 2) is it ethical or legal to prevent this. want to make sure we are not contributing to fear mongering. Dr. O’Connor mentioned would like to see numbers decline for 2 weeks, may not be practical, but he respects this guidance.

2:48:03 PM Thea comment on Dr. O’Conner statement, he naturally says we need to isolate longer, mental health professionals say, get back to work. But cannot ignore other groups. We have to look at multiple angles before decision making is done.

2:50:03 PM Mayor Burke, the overarching reason to stop construction, and people coming into the community, is to reduce spread in our community as well as other communities. If we did not do this, it would put more pressure on our immediate neighbors and health support system.

Burke asks Tom Abbott to speak. 2:52:53 PM the enforcement is going to be the most difficult part of this situation. Abbott would need help from all police agencies in all cities. He would want to call the police dept. before stopping any job. Horowitz, asks, are Hailey jobs mostly local? No, Abbott not really the case.

Horowitz goes through the numbered items. Here we want new categories for landscaping companies. 2:55:17 PM Thea many of these would apply to all. Linnet thinks Webb Landscaping’s is a good example. 2:55:52 PM Simms, can eliminate all “solo” jobsite work that Josey described.
Item 1, supervisor comments. 2:57:21 PM Martinez, the is one of the best pieces of this document. No edits.

Item 2, modified for landscaping crews on job site less than 1 day. 2:58:29 PM Linnet, suggests putting on hand sanitizer when entering / exiting vehicle or every hour. 2:59:06 PM Husbands, does Clear Creek have enough hand washing stations? Linnet responds, maybe substitute hand sanitizer. 3:00:49 PM Thea suggests, hand washing station doesn’t have to be sink can be a 2 gallon jug. Maybe define jobsite and water station better, Thea.

Item 3 no comments.
Item 4, Thea has information 3:02:14 PM comments about masks, is she supposed to sew a mask. Reach out to 5B sewing group will give contact to Lisa Horowitz if anyone want s to contact them.

Item 4 and 5, Thea3:03:22 PM there are businesses open now, not all adhering to these item numbers, should we apply these to the open businesses.

Item 6 - 3:04:47 PM including not limited to crawl spaces, etc. Linnet adds.

Item 7 – Thea asks question, equipment or vehicle, agrees with this 3:06:30 PM Webb had a good description in their document. Thea does not think carpooling should be allowed.

Item 8, 9, no comments

Item 10, shall be discouraged not as strong, Thea. Horowitz, enforceability may be a challenge.3:08:42 PM Linnet, have language be mandatory or not in the document.

Item 11, Thea, does not think this is feasible at all times. The intent is clear, may not meet this at all times, then wash hands more often? Horowitz asks Abbott to comment. Abbott, most people have their own tools. Cleaning tools often is a good idea. Horowitz will edit based on Abbott comments.

3:12:16 PM Linnet, can have a spray bottle with disinfectant in blue room. Burke thinks that is the intent of this item.

Item 13, Thea, encouraged, it should be mandated. We expect you to bring your lunch and stay onsite. It is going to be hard to meet this. 3:15:03 PM Linnet this is a really important issue to get ironed out. Would like to limit extra interactions with people. Thea, any extra errands for personal use must be at end of shift. Horowitz, would be easier to limit to lunch break.

Item 14, Thea, jobsite has different meanings to people. Posting in yard for job, post at construction site.

Item 15 Linnet hard to enforce.

Item 16, Thea 3:19:42 PM take temperature at arrive to work. Martinez, agrees with Thea.
Item 17, 18 no comments

3:22:41 PM Horowitz asks if all of council wants managers to take temperature of all employees?

3:23:56 PM Burke, using a mouth monitor is not what we are talking about. A digital thermometer is what we are talking about, but we do not know if they are available. Let’s see if this is possible.

3:25:15 PM Horowitz, multiple comments, shut down Penalties, Linnet, speaks, wants to hear thoughts, individual or contractor responsible? Tom Abbott, comments, feels this is the contractors responsibility. 3:26:52 PM Thea, if out of compliance, then issue a stop work order, fine is not strict enough. 3:27:50 PM Horowitz, likes the 2 step fine approach. Linnet adds, okay with giving discretion. Simms, police or agency always has discretion, in this case us. The goal of deterrence is to fine contractor. Linnet likes stop work order for egregious.

3:29:35 PM Thea, do we need additional things for? Landscaping companies? Abbott’s jurisdiction does not include landscaping unless it is part of the construction project like retaining wall.

3:31:19 PM Linnet comments on stop work order, how does it affect landscaping company’s jobs that may only last 1 day. Simms comments, police notice under the order in effect.

STAFF REPORTS:

3:33:18 PM Linnet moves to adjourn, Thea seconds, motion passed unanimously.