The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:36 P.M. by Mayor Martha Burke. Present were Council members Heidi Husbands, Kaz Thea, Sam Linnet, and Martinez Martinez. Staff present included City Attorney Christopher P. Simms, City Administrator Heather Dawson, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

5:36:39 PM Mayor Burke calls the meeting to order.

Open Session:

5:37:24 PM Jane Drussel, Hailey resident, has some concerns about increased traffic in the community, very concerned about the children, difficult crossing the highway, brings up traffic light, need to do something, as we continue to grow rapidly, traffic is insurmountable, come up with ideas, need to do something now for the future.

CONSENT AGENDA:

CA 153 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-044, setting fees for residential, commercial and construction rubbish and recycling hauling services, as directed by Hailey City Council on April 26, 2021 ACTION ITEM

CA 154 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-045, authorizing city officials to signs an Agreement with OBRAS, LLC, dba Clear Creek Disposal, for residential, commercial and construction rubbish and recycling hauling services, as directed by Hailey City Council on April 26, 2021 ACTION ITEM

CA 155 Motion to approve ALA Grant award for Hailey Public Library ACTION ITEM

CA 156 Motion to approve the temporary ITD traffic detour in support of the Ohio Gulch chip seal project ACTION ITEM

CA 157 Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-046, authorizing a signing bonus in the amount of $500 for each successful recruitment of a seasonal position upon completion of five months of full-time employment. ACTION ITEM

CA 158 Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-047, to authorize the Mayor’s signature on an Idaho Department of Water Resource water right form to indicate resumption of water right number 37-22019 is not applicable. ACTION ITEM

CA 159 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-048, authorizing city officials to sign an amended Grant Agreement with FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to extend the fire station project completion date from July 27, 2021 to July 27, 2022. ACTION ITEM

CA 160 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-049 authorizing the Mayor to sign and accept Addendum #1 for architect, engineering and design services from Ruscitto, Latham Blanton Architects (RLB) for the Hailey Fire Station project, increasing the fee from $28,000 to $38,500. ACTION ITEM

CA 161 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-050, approving the signature of city representatives on Change Order #2 with Century Contractors, adding $13,821.46 to the Hailey Fire Station Project to install siding on the east wall and to replace cracked rim boards in order to properly develop shear loads for the building. ACTION ITEM

CA 162 Motion to approve Pay Request #2 to Century Contractors for the Hailey Fire Station Project, in the amount of $93,668. ACTION ITEM

CA 163 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-051, authorizing the Mayor’s signature on the Public Right-of-Way Maintenance Agreement related to the development of Silver River Residences at 402 North River Street (Lot 18A, Block 56, Hailey Townsite). ACTION ITEM
CA 164 Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-052, authorizing the Mayor’s signature on an agreement with Idaho Asphalt Supply, Inc. to supply chip seal oil at the rate of $373 per ton, plus spreading, freight, and fuel surcharges, for the 2021 chip seal projects. **ACTION ITEM**

CA 165 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-053, and authorize the Mayor to sign the Adopt A Park agreement with Sun Valley Services for mowing at Jimmy’s Garden during the 2021 park season **ACTION ITEM**

CA 166 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-054, and authorize the Mayor to sign the Adopt A Park agreement with G&G Landscaping for maintenance and mowing at Kiwanis Park during the 2021 park season **ACTION ITEM**

CA 167 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-055, and authorize the Mayor to sign the Adopt A Park agreement with Keeter Wood Products, LLC dba Sawtooth Wood Products for mowing at McKercher Park during the 2021 park season **ACTION ITEM**

CA 168 Motion to approve Special Event permit for Sawtooth Brewery’s Riverfest at Hop Porter Park on July 4, 2021 **ACTION ITEM**

CA 169 Motion to approve Special Event permit for the Hailey Farmer’s Market at McKercher Park, Saturdays, June 12th through September 25th, 2021 **ACTION ITEM**

CA 170 Motion to ratify Mayor’s signature on two new LGIP funds, for 1) Rubbish Rate Stabilization Fund, a trust fund to benefit the City of Hailey and Clear Creek Disposal, and 2) Security Deposit from Marathon Partners **ACTION ITEM**

CA 171 Motion to approve minutes of April 26, 2021 and to suspend reading of them **ACTION ITEM**

CA 172 Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of April, 2021, and claims for expenses due by contract in May, 2021 **ACTION ITEM**

5:40:01 PM Thea pulls CA 169, Linnet pulls CA 153, Simms

5:40:58 PM Martinez moved to approve all consent agenda items minus CA 153 and CA 169, seconded by Husbands. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Husbands, yes. Martinez, yes. Linnet, yes.

CA 153 5:42:21 PM Linnet, Boise has compost pick-up, once every other week, still think we should have this conversation.


CA 169 5:43:45 PM Thea has a concern, wise choice close to highway, but it stinks near the RV dump, not sure they thought of this. It is not nice when people are dumping. Linnet, not sure if there is a problem with the market being so close to the RV dump.

5:47:30 PM Thea moves to approve CA 169, making sure that we will discuss the location with them, Husbands seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes. Linnet, yes.

**MAYOR’S REMARKS:**

Mayor Burke will hold comments until new business later.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

PP 173 Parks presenting autonomous mowing, to be installed and utilized in two parks summer 2021. **ACTION ITEM**

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5:48:14 PM mower presentation by Stephanie Cook, the mower is guided by a boundary wire, mows 24 hours/day 7 days/week, charges itself when battery is low. They are very quiet.
5:51:11 PM mower blades are under the shell of the mower. 5:52:24 PM they mow on a pre-determined schedule and around irrigation schedules, they are programmed from a cell phone application, primarily at night and not during scheduled events. Goal is to assist in mowing/maintenance. Planning to put one of these at Keefer and McKercher, reduction in fuel by using these mowers. 5:55:04 PM Sawtooth Wood Products has offered to install one this Thursday, guidewires are put into the ground. We will maintain it, make sure it is running. At McKercher Park, will be able to reallocate approx. 60 hours of staff time to another park while reducing our carbon footprint.

5:56:44 PM Thea, excited to see how this works, can’t wait to hear how successful this is. Husbands agrees. Thea, asked if theft is a concern, Cook responds, yes, but it can be tracked by GPS, believe they can work through these challenges. Approx. $3,000 per robot mower.

5:58:48 PM Cook believes that these mowers will be able to pay for themselves in about 3 years.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 174 Consideration of an extension to the timeline for the Preliminary Plat Application, pursuant to Section 16.03.020 (D) of the Hailey Municipal Code, by ARCH Community Housing Trust for Blaine Manor Subdivision, wherein Lot 3A, Block 1, Wertheimer Park (706 South Main Street) is split into two (2) parcels. ACTION ITEM
5:59:26 PM Horowitz begins, ARCH is requesting an extension, construction is well under way, they need a little more time. 6:00:23 PM Michelle Griffith, still on schedule for Dec 1 st , and the family bldg, will be finished by Feb 1 st. 6:00:53 PM Burke, reasonable approach. Questions of council?

Public Comments:

6:01:22 PM Cece Osbourn from Mountain Rides, looking forward to hearing councils thoughts.

Council Deliberation:

6:03:09 PM Thea does not have an issue with this extension. Martinez agrees.

6:03:36 PM Martinez, moves to extend Preliminary Plat to May 2022, Thea seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote, Husbands, yes. Martinez, yes. Thea, yes. Linnet, yes.

PH 175 Discussion of Main Street options for striping ACTION ITEM
6:04:17 PM Yeager becomes presenter for this discussion. 6:06:51 PM ITD made a presentation in the last council meeting. There were some questions, that Yeager did not have answers to, has them now. Also, have Steve Hunter from ITD, Kelly Schwarz on the call. Tom Baxter, Joseph Meek, and Jessica Williams, public coordinator are also present. 6:08:03 PM Yeager will present and then ask ITD to make any comments or additions for discussion. 3 topics from the
last meeting. Narrowing travel lanes on Main and those locations. 6:08:49 PM crosswalks and where, and 3, beacons flashing, 6:09:05 PM configuration of the pedestrian ramps as well.

6:09:20 PM narrowing the travel lanes, Yeager shows road configurations, 14, 2 12’ and 8 ft parking. Proposing converting 2 11 foot lane, 12-foot lane 6:10:24 PM in the staff report, with a 2-foot buffer, place solid line on each side of the buffer. Other discussions were to have cross hatching in the buffer area. 6:12:30 PM touch on couple of issues, cross hatching, ITD has agreed to continental striping in a few areas, some discussion about continental crosswalk a wider crosswalk, greater space, maybe be 8 or 9 feet wide instead of 6 feet wide. 4 key locations for high visibility crosswalks, Elm Street, Croy Street, Myrtle Street and Cobblestone Lane. Want council to weigh in on this. 6:14:33 PM Flashing beacons, not install in pavement flashing beacons, originally cost $80,000. On Myrtle Street, they (the lights) have not worked in 6 years. Heads are becoming obsolete. With the city responsible for the in pavement beacons, city would have to pay for the install of those lights after paving is complete. 6:16:33 PM Pedestrian ramps are next shown on screen, upper left corner, 2 curb ramps 90 degrees to direction of traffic. In discussions with ITD on whether or not we can accommodate a few spots for these. Yeager asks council to discuss these points and discuss pavement with 2-foot buffer. And discuss locations of the curbs.

6:19:19 PM Thea asks question of Yeager. 6:19:46 PM should we make the outside travel lane wider? Take 2-foot area and put into the curb. Not being able to relocate the curb line, relocated the buffer between parking and outside travel lane.

Yeager suggests council discussion first.

6:21:42 PM Thea would like to see outside travel lane 11 feet wide, prefer to have diagonal painted or double fog lane hope it becomes 3 feet buffer, Maple to McKercher.

6:22:42 PM Martinez, ITD is here with multiple representatives, suggests involving Cece Osborn with Mountain Rides.

6:24:04 PM Husbands concurs with Thea, 11 feet wide, want Maple to McKercher.

6:24:31 PM Linnet appreciates the work that Yeager has done. Ultimately would like to see 11-foot travel lane too. Fog line, don’t want it to look like a bike lane, hatched in some way, length of the road, 4 blocks are nice place to start, might as well go from Maple to Elm might be idea.

6:26:25 PM Burke suggests public comments on this topic.

Public comments:

6:26:59 PM Elizabeth Jeffrey, excited about slowing traffic, having same markings throughout town is great idea. Maybe the parking needs to be 10 feet, agree with Linnet, may look like bike lane.
6:28:08 PM Cece Osbourn, excited about these discussions, improvements should be made from Maple to McKercher, kids cross at all intersections. Appreciate discussions, curious about safe routes to schools, asks a question about crosswalk width.

6:30:59 PM Yeager can respond and encourage ITD to comment. Council will need to make a motion for ITD to continue with project, make sure. Burke, asks, Yeager, separate motions for each topic? Yeager, confirms, yes.

6:32:35 PM Horowitz, many points to consider, from an urban design standpoint, emphasize that the middle 4 blocks are different than other parts of Main street, we want them to standout, from planning and design.

6:33:50 PM ITD, John Baxter, appreciate comments working closely with Yeager, weigh the needs of the city and the project, 2-foot buffer set-up, based on a consultant’s report, safety is fine, if we went away from this design, would have to have consultants study this again. Don’t want to see accidents spike up. In 2 years will be doing chip-sealing and re-striping, maybe make sense to stripe more of the city. Appreciates staff working with them want to make this a great project for Hailey.

6:36:01 PM Burke asks for more public comments.

None.

Council deliberation:

6:37:04 PM Yeager nature of the striping in the buffer area, their preference. Baxter responds, have looked a little at this, have concerns, may create location for concerns. 6:38:08 PM Joe Meek, traffic engineer speaks, report was on a specific width of lanes, changing the widths, need another study. How long should the buffer lanes be.

6:39:19 PM Thea, suggests cross hatched in the buffer lane, not a zone to use. ITD and Hailey are all about safety, how can we make this the safest street, that’s why Thea thinks we should stripe the same the entire distance of Main Street. Slowing down traffic by narrowing lanes, will make our Main Street area more enjoyable and more friendly.

6:42:05 PM Linnet wants to see changes on Main Street. 1 foot reduction is minimal, painted lines, if unsafe, can be repainted. Our city really wants this to happen. Don’t want to see a bike lane on Main Street, want to make it clear, with cross hatches.

6:44:12 PM Husbands agrees with Thea and Linnet. Important to slow down traffic and keep everyone safe.

6:45:06 PM Linnet, in 2 years, will have same council, asking for same thing.

6:45:27 PM Martinez, appreciates ITD being here.

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6:45:47 PM Burke, look at crosswalks, don’t use the zebra, and cross hatch in buffer, may look the same.

6:46:23 PM Thea, more important to get the buffer, not be used, not a bike lane.

6:47:06 PM Burke supports council’s decision of entire length but would like to start with 4 blocks striping.

6:47:51 PM Yeager suggests, 8-foot parking lane, 2 11-foot travel lane, 3-foot buffer and a 12-foot center turn lane, will require study to update, with cross hatching in the buffer extended from Maple to McKercher, Thea motions, Linnet seconded. Motion passed with roll call vote; Martinez, yes. Linnet, yes. Husbands, yes. Martinez, yes. Thea, yes.

6:49:09 PM Yeager, on the last item, facilitate the Engineer’s study, will ratify mayor’s signature in next meeting.

6:49:42 PM spreadsheet markings in packet, continental intersection striping, at 4 key intersections, Elm Croy, Maple and Cobblestone 9 foot in width, across highway.

6:50:59 PM Thea, with new ARCH property, right at curve, really important highly visible, not having crosswalk on south side, but painted on South Side.

6:52:33 PM Martinez, agrees with Thea, could collect data for ITD to use, potential light at this intersection. Continental is preferred, interested in council comments.

6:53:32 PM Linnet, would like to see 8-9 feet continental striping, 4 intersections.

6:54:06 PM Husbands, Maple something on North side? Thea also likes continental.

Public comments:

6:54:44 PM Cece Osbourn, would like to see 9-foot continental striping.

Council deliberation:

6:56:01 PM Burke asks Yeager a question. Yeager, yes, we apply highly reflective glass beads in the thermal plastic tape.

6:56:46 PM Yeager is Maple added. Want ITD to weigh in on this discussion.

6:57:30 PM Joseph Meek with ITD, shares a few thoughts, 9-foot crosswalk, think about width of ramp on other side. Car will be pushed back 3 feet, impeding visibility to drivers. In order to keep good sight line, should really think about this. Adding Maple, this may not be safe to widen to 9-feet. There is a sense of trying to keep continental sidewalks for grabbing attention. What is standard, continental intersections are used at roundabouts or places like Elm.

7:00:12 PM Linnet, requesting 4 blocks of striping.
Yeager, reiterates, 4 locations Elm Croy Cobblestone, Myrtle, for continental. Without the study? Meek, is okay with the 4 intersections, but on the 6-foot width. If 9-foot width, need to discuss.

Linnet thinks this is a technical discussion between engineers.

Yeager asks for a motion.

Thea asks continental question. Yeager 8 intersections continental, 4 of them wide continental, 9 foot wide.

Yeager suggest

Horowitz, Maple is a technical decision.

Yeager suggests motion to confirm crosswalks markings locations to be decided by ITD, request to widen to high visibility marking plan at 4 locations, Elm, Croy, Cobblestone and Myrtle, with the request to include considering North Maple with a 9-foot width continental cross walk, Linnet moves, Thea seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Linnet, yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

Yeager suggest

Yeager will answer any questions of council.

Yeager, yes, RRFB rapid rectangular flashing beacon. Street pavement lights will be removed.

Public hearing:

Elizabeth Jeffrey, have very little faith in the in-pavement lights, lights on signs seem to be more visible. Also like to question, Barkin crosswalk, have to push button at Shorty’s can push button be put on other block.

Council deliberation:

Thea would like an explanation, why that is the case, confusing, talking about Jeffrey’s comments about the push walk. Should we put it on the other side.

Yeager, crossing RFP was in place prior to the Croy Street Pathway project.

Husbands motions to not replace in pavement lights, Thea seconds, Linnet agrees want to continue investigating lights in the road, now is not the time to do this. Thea, agrees with Linnet. Motion passed with roll call vote. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Thea, yes. Husbands, yes.

pedestrian curb ramps discussion, Yeager, 45 degrees towards the intersection are MUTCD compliant, lots of discussion for double curb ramps at a couple of locations. Have
talked with Steve Hunter at ITD, they will be concerned with timeline. Knife River was starting on Croy Street crossing today. Suggested 2 locations worthy, North Croy Street and North Maple Street, what is possible, ask of ITD. Yeager, we called the work crews off of the Croy Street intersection today and put them on a different intersection.

7:21:29 PM John Baxter with ITD speaks, Hunter and Baxter will make a trip to Hailey to look at this tomorrow. It is difficult to make these changes this late in the process want to look at these. Cannot tell you whether they will work or not. 7:22:22 PM Hunter, cannot consider these on all intersections at this point in the project.

Public comments:

7:23:27 PM Cece Osbourn, where are the ramps, where are the pedestrians within the crosswalk, in this case, the people would be crossing in the traffic lane not the crosswalk.

7:26:55 PM council deliberation

7:27:03 PM Thea to a seeing person, understand, beg to differ, may meet minimum requirements, MUTCD, would like to see an upgrade. Would like to see done at least at one intersection.

7:28:55 PM Linnet, understand the practical standards. ITD is working on a ADA transition plan. From a policy perspective, think it is the most cost effective and prudent to build at best design. The south side of Croy Street has a different design right now, has raised domes on 91 degrees, if we can get something similar, would be great. Advocating to do this right, and to the highest standards. Asking engineers to figure out the best solution.

7:32:24 PM Husbands, agrees with Linnet and Thea. It is all about safety.

7:32:53 PM Martinez, thanks for all comments. Diversity is important for Martinez.

7:33:29 PM Yeager summarizes, goal to try to be as complete as possible, yet sensitive to project timeline, at least one full intersection of the new design. North crossing of Maple and North crossing of Croy. Ask if these are council’s preferences. Thea asks can we do the 4 blocks? Yeager, presumes ITD would have concerns on the timeline. Would like ITD to comment.

7:35:59 PM ITD will look at the areas tomorrow and will look at this while on site tomorrow.


Yeager thanks ITD for being receptive to these late changes in their project.

7:38:28 PM ? appreciate your input, same views, different goals.

NEW BUSINESS:
Consideration of health data and health district recommendations pertaining to possible amendments to Hailey Health Order 2021-02, which requires face coverings and limits group sizes. ACTION ITEM

7:40:09 PM Simms speaks, everyone knows where we’ve been. We have a status quo, order in place. Our local cases have declined, issue is wide open with what mayor and council want to do, masks and group sizes.

7:41:14 PM Burke, weekly mayor’s meetings, numbers are looking good. Many states are doing away with outdoor mask orders, and is considering this. In the beginning, we had no idea how to safeguard our community. Now, the vaccination with a booster, wearing masks indoors, have made a difference. Burke thinks would like to do away with outdoor mask order, but continue to wear mask for large outdoor gatherings, want council to discuss, if you are at high risk, where a mask at the rodeo. 7:44:09 PM Burke, suggests idea, masks on one side of rodeo arena and no-masks on other side. Now up to social responsibility to people.

7:44:52 PM Linnet one of the big policy, risk of outdoor event transmission is low, that is encouraging. A lot of people getting vaccinated, celebrate that responsibility. In effort to not have all restrictions in place, and have businesses suffer the consequences. Suggests no outdoor limits, but continue limiting indoor. Don’t need to require masks outside. But events with more than 50 people still require masks, where impossible to socially distance. That accomplishes several benefits, doesn’t cause harm to events or businesses, see how it goes. Don’t get rid of everything all at once, see how everything goes. Want to hear others thoughts.

7:48:46 PM Thea thinks that we should definitely, open up outdoor events, remove size restriction. Still require masks indoors for places that are open to the public, not sure how this pertains to small businesses. Thinks we should come back to this. We are almost 70% vaccinated. Don’t think we should wear masks outdoors, don’t want to mandate it. For an event, 50 or 75, outdoors are low risk. Would support either way for large outdoor event. Public events, 7:52:22 PM Linnet clarifies.

7:52:29 PM Husbands, no mask mandate for outdoor events. If you don’t feel safe, wear a mask. Indoors we should be conservative. Should move towards getting out of this.

7:54:04 PM Martinez, thanks for Mayor and Linnet attending these meetings. In favor of getting rid of mask mandate, now up to the individual to make decisions to keep family safe.

7:57:26 PM Burke refers to letter from Sawtooth Rangers, Julie Flolo, if she were in charge, no mask mandate but strongly recommend mask around others where social distancing is not possible.

7:59:53 PM Linnet, no officials recommend removing mask order right now. Likes Mayor’s idea, but this may create segregation. Thinks we should have a mask requirement or not for people for events larger than certain number. Because it allows businesses to keep going. We
can loosen in piece meal. Masks don’t impact businesses or events and potential benefit is worth it. Linnet would be more inclined to go to an event if we required a mask.

8:03:03 PM Burke agrees with Linnet. 63% of Hailey will be vaccinated by the end of the summer. Sun Valley and Ketchum are more protected. A lot of rodeo fans will not be vaccinated. What do we do? Hoping for a compromise so that the rodeo can move forward.

8:05:18 PM Thea adds, if you personally feel you are not protected, you can wear a mask. You still have the option to protect yourself.

Further discussion about mask wearing in events and wearing outside.

8:12:53 PM Burke, we will meet again in 2 weeks, to discuss again.


OLD BUSINESS:

OB 177 3rd Reading of Franchise Ordinance No. 1282, which grants Clear Creek Disposal use of city streets and rights of way for a 10-year term, with third reading by title only. ACTION ITEM

8:17:41 PM Thea moves to approve Ordinance No. 1282, authorize Mayor to sign and conduct 3rd reading by title only, Martinez seconds. Husbands, yes. Linnets, yes. Martinez, yes. Thea, yes.

8:18:12 PM Mayor Burke conducts 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1282, by title only.

STAFF REPORTS:

No staff reports

8:20:56 PM Steve England this week is national police week, through Saturday the 15th, flags at half-mast. Heard a lot of comments on traffic, have written many citations on side streets as well as Main Street. Also, day shift officer 3 DUIs in the past week?

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation under (IC 74-206(1)(f))

8:23:52 PM Motion to go into exec session Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation under (IC 74-206(1)(f)) made by Linnet, Martinez seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Linnet yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

Mayor and council went into executive session.

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MATTERS & MOTIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:


9:06:01 PM Martinez makes motion to adjourn, seconded by Thea, motion passed.