The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:31 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.

Call to order: **5:31:16 PM** by Mayor Burke

Mayor Burke asks for a motion for the amended agenda.

**5:31:37 PM** Husbands motions to approve late added item, seconded by Linnet. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

Open session for public concerns:

**5:32:32 PM** Bob Wiederrick, lives and works in Hailey. The DIF committee meeting was poorly noticed, no mention in paper, don’t believe you want to have public involved. Wiederrick has put 2 initiatives to undo the DIF. Two members of the committee had conflicts of interest, Taylor Walker and George Kirk. Jon McGowen paid lots in DIF fees for his fees. **5:34:23 PM** Wiederrick paid $7,800 in DIF. 5 years later when TischlerBise reviewed the fees and made revisions to the fees, (by lowering the fees), he believes that he was overcharged, since rates went down after this review. **5:35:06 PM** Wiederrick hopes that when new fees are looked at, that you remember this.

**5:35:25 PM** Dennis Kavanagh, Wood River Rural Board Commissioners, sent to paper and BC commissioners, at monthly meeting, 4 reps. Will wait until later to make his comments.

**5:36:26 PM** Penelope Hunt and other students speak to council, members of the WATER club. On Saturday, volunteers at Kiwanis Park event, members of the club volunteered and managed the composting and recycling bins and educating people about recycling. Some vendors were not prepared for the single-use plastic ban. As a result, the students want to revisit single-use plastic language as previously proposed and adopted. Local businesses are already complying.

**5:38:18 PM** Burke can we add materials to hand out to people when they give special events. WATER club will email or drop off proposed changes at city hall.

**5:39:04 PM** Herbert Romero, they were talking about his event, did his best to reinforce the single-use plastic. First event was great and challenging. Thanks Kiwanis for jumping on board.

**5:41:27 PM** Thea comments, farmers market last weekend was a huge success. Recommend putting a sign on RV dump to use dump after the market is over.
CONSENT AGENDA:

CA 191-A Motion to approve Resolution 2021-058A authorizing mayor to sign Change Order #3 for Hailey Fire Station Project in the amount of $9,669.63 for the purpose of installing trim. ACTION ITEM

CA 191-B Motion to approve Resolution 2021-058B authorizing mayor to sign Indemnification Agreement with Blaine County School District for the July 4th pyrotechnics show (fireworks) ACTION ITEM

CA 192 Motion to approve Dangerous Fireworks Display Permit for Lantis Productions and the City of Hailey for July 4th pyrotechnics display. ACTION ITEM

CA 193 Motion to approve Consumer Fireworks Sales Permit for Outlet Fireworks to be operated by Bruce Weaver at the North Hailey Business Center ACTION ITEM

CA 194 Motion to approve installation of a temporary traffic circle on 4th Avenue to provide traffic calming in advance of the ITD Main Street construction project. ACTION ITEM

CA 195 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-059 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Local Professional Services Agreement for design of the Croy to Quigley shared-use path ACTION ITEM

CA 196 Motion to approve Resolution 2021-060, authorizing the Mayor to approve the scope of work with Stanley Consultants in the amount of $15,178, for an update to the striping/lane width analysis on Main St. AND the Maple Street RRFB safety analysis. ACTION ITEM

CA 197 Motion to approve Joint Defense Agreement with Resolution 2021-061, authorizing water rights attorney to represent City ACTION ITEM

CA 198 Motion to approve Special Event permit for the Wood River Baseball and Softball Association to hold the Ray Nelson Baseball Tournament at Lions Park on July 16th and 17th and the Wood River Mountain Classic Tournament at Lions Park on July 23rd and 24th, 2021 ACTION ITEM

CA 199 Motion to approve Special Event permit for Sawtooth Brewery’s Live Music in the Park at Hop Porter Park on July 1st, 15th and 29th, 2021 ACTION ITEM

CA 200 Motion to approve minutes of May 17, 2021 and to suspend reading of them ACTION ITEM

CA 201 Motion to approve minutes of May 24, 2021 and to suspend reading of them ACTION ITEM

CA 202 Motion to ratify claims for expenses paid in the month of June 2021 ACTION ITEM

CA 203 Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of May 2021, and claims for expenses due by contract in June, 2021 ACTION ITEM

5:41:02 PM Thea pulls CA 193,

5:42:34 PM Linnet moves to approve Consent Agenda items minus CA 193, seconded by Thea. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

5:43:06 PM Linnet recuses from CA 193

5:43:16 PM CA 193, fireworks, this year, our valley is bullseye for risk of fire, don’t think it is appropriate to sanction sale of fireworks, this year or ever, particularly 2021.

5:44:24 PM Husbands, concurs with Thea. Researched this today, don’t think we need to add to it, don’t think it is a wise decision.

5:45:04 PM Martinez, thinks we should stress the drought and potential risks of fireworks, probably not the year to do the fireworks.

5:45:54 PM CA 193, Thea moves to deny, Husbands seconds, Thea, yes. Husbands, yes. Martinez, yes. Linnet, recuses
PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

PP 204  Recognition for Steve Holyoak – IRWA Wastewater Operations Specialist of the Year Award

5:46:48 PM Mayor Burke introduces Steve Holyoak and hands over to Brian Yeager. Holyoak has been with the City since October 1997 and Wastewater Department since April 1998, held licenses since 2010, he is one of 111, level 4 licensed in the state for Wastewater treatment, one of 78 collection level 4s, and one of 13 WW laboratory level 3s in the state. The level 4 is the highest license level in the state. He was recently recognized by the Idaho Rural Water Association as the Wastewater operations Specialist of the year. He is one of 131 people who has received this award in Idaho. The IRWA award he was given is being presented to him in front of council tonight. 5:49:24 PM Holyoak thanks the city, grateful for the opportunity to work for Hailey. Applause by room.

APPOINTMENTS AND AWARDS:

AA 205  Nomination of Richard Pogue to serve as City of Hailey’s ex-officio representative to the Friedman Memorial Airport Authority, which nomination shall be confirmed by Hailey Resolution 2021-____ ACTION ITEM

5:50:14 PM Burke suggests Richard Pogue, to serve on FMAA board, if you agree, resolution to appoint.


AA 206  Nomination of Richard Pogue to serve as Hailey’s representative as ex-officio board member to Fly Sun Valley Alliance Board ACTION ITEM


AA 207  Nomination of Bob Brand to serve as on Hailey Urban Renewal Agency Board with Hailey Resolution 2021-____, to complete the term of retiring board member Don Keirn through December 31, 2024 ACTION ITEM

5:53:09 PM Thea moves to approve Resolution 2021-63, appointing Bob Brand to the URA seconded by Husbands. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:
PH 208  Consideration of a Report from Harmony Design and Engineering regarding the Croy Canyon Update to the Hailey Greenway master Plan, which includes the proposed Hailey Municipal Campground ACTION ITEM

5:54:37 PM Horowitz opens this item, Croy Canyon project, joint project with Wood River Land Trust, Jennifer Zung with Harmony Engineers, is on call and will now present.

5:55:43 PM Simms, no action on this item tonight.

5:56:31 PM Yeager, feel free to use disinfectant wipes between microphone uses.

5:56:59 PM Zung, Hailey Greenway Master Plan, Croy Creek Extension, working on updating the existing Master Plan on new property. The Simons Bauer preserve is adjacent to Hailey’s parcel. 3 plan elements, activity, wildlife and creek, and land uses/camping. We conducted outreach over the last 3 months, 2 online sessions, April 13, 2nd meeting. The first session, 5:59:17 PM predominantly a listening session, shows some of the comments, regarding access and connectivity. Concerns included: about Bullion bridge as a pinch point, discussed hiking trails and paths, and Croy Canyon Road was too narrow. Zung continues to discuss concerns mentioned in the meeting, which included wildlife, traffic concerns and fire danger. 6:02:37 PM project 1, suggestions include, interpretive signage, replace Bullion bridge, 5 located campground offsite, 6, 7, Lions Park frustration. 6:03:44 PM

6:03:48 PM outreach 2 meeting, separated multi-use pathway along Croy Creek road, discussed this option. Strong public support, campground or not, this is really needed out Croy Rd. 2. 6:04:50 PM develop walking trails connecting to Draper preserve. 3. Install interpretive signage on bench overlooking canyon, support by public. 4. Bridge not owned by city, work with county to improve bridge or add a pedestrian bridge, feedback, in support of this, preferred pedestrian bridge. 5A, 6:06:37 PM campground information, fire danger and winds, no fires allowed, no fire rings. Traffic concerns, separated bridge for peds, wildlife impact, Wetlands, outside of the floodplain. Noise, trash, dogs, have and onsite campground host. 6:08:16 PM locate campground below bench. Feedback, human impacts, 5b 6:09:07 PM relocate campground offsite. More support for this than 5A. 6, develop city facility/ public works build structure for their offices, general support for this idea, and others suggest preserving area. 7 6:10:38 PM Lions Park river restoration and floodplain reconnection discussion, received general public support.

6:11:22 PM Zung, next steps, no action needed, waiting to get direction on final list of projects from this list before finalizing this document.

6:12:03 PM Mayor Burke, thanks Zung.

6:12:12 PM Horowitz, public comments.

Public comments:

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6:12:48 PM William Cantrell 253 Croy Creek rd. is opposed to campground, commend city council for housing, should put efforts in finding housing for people. Have moose in backyard. Not in our best interest. Wood river fire and rescue is against this. Bad idea, sent comments earlier.

6:14:31 PM Dennis Kavanagh, reads listen, march 17, presented concerns on campground in Croy Canyon, concerns about fire dangers, 33 campsites proposed without water, ideas for no fires is not realistic. 6:16:09 PM 90 plus property owners if fire, would need to evacuate. 6:17:02 PM Kavanagh, wood river commissioners cannot condone this campground, citizens expect us to make good decision.

6:18:29 PM Keri York WRLT, for over 20 years, partnered with City on multiple projects, restoration, trails, boardwalk and Bow Bridge. When the campground first came up, expressed concerns, wanted to know public comments, why we jointly went into this process. 6:19:40 PM concerns about wildlife habitat, and long term impacts, want to continue working with city on trails, educational signage. The relocation to snow storage is important first step. Want to work with city on several items. 6:20:43 PM

6:20:56 PM Annie McCauley Executive Direct of Mountain Humane, speaks to council. For decades the shelter has had the great fortune of operating in Croy Canyon, for this reason, is in opposition at the proposed site, or any other development, due to sensitive wildlife impact. Suggest withdrawing from project. 6:22:16 PM suggest preserving property for generations to come.

6:22:34 PM Jesse German, 120 Little Indio Lane, suggests alternate locations, most of us are levelheaded, if the goal to have campground, fully explore alternatives, to allow pros/cons of other locations.

6:23:44 PM Will North an Environmental consultant, in support of protecting this area, enjoyed reading the Harmony report, found it incomplete, in classifying lands. Important to get constraints map, including mapping floodplain and stream, migration corridors, these maps are all available digitally, it would help looking at short and long-term impacts. 6:25:22 PM recommends chapter 20, wildlife code at county, conservation plan and impacts.

6:26:18 PM Mark Acker, reads a letter to council, concerns of many Croy Canyon residents. Hailey owns 2 properties in LI, that could serve as a campground (street shop), lower area can be used for RVs. Access is easily accessible, close to RV waste dump site, appropriate gate and crosswalk could access Broadford Road. 6:28:23 PM Acker suggests ideas for goals, sell property buy another property. Acker is a resident of Croy Canyon, love Hailey.

Online comments:

6:30:19 PM Justin Cousins Hailey resident, has a wildlife background, 2nd all those looking for another place for a campground.

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6:30:55 PM Cory Chalmers, opposed to the campground, retired firefighter, don’t think people understand how quickly a fire can start and go up hill, consider this please.

6:31:45 PM Martha Bibb, 810 CD Olena in Hailey, read in paper, possibly use this area for homeless people there, you will have a public health situation, as similar to other areas, a public health hazard.

Room comments again.

6:33:38 PM Reggie James Christiansen, 400 Croy Creek Rd, and an insurance agent, speaks to events after fires. Many agree fire concerns are important. Christiansen, discusses concerns for Croy canyon residents. Last year, a fire last year, put out fast, huge potential for large fire. On the insurance side of things, cannot buy fire insurance from agents like him anymore. Thanks for your consideration.

6:35:53 PM Michael Frith, lives in West Hailey. Taste of wildlife out the canyon for all citizens to share, keeping it that way, as WRLT mentioned, improve based on York’s suggestions. Campground not a bad idea.

6:37:00 PM Ed Northen, 340 W. Cedar, Hailey resident applauds no fires, won’t solve the problem. Dangers are significant out there. Also, concerned about the issues with WRLT preservation, counter to their efforts. Don’t think the campground will bring in revenues to the City. Concerns about impact on the stream also. If you need a campground, find another location.

6:39:22 PM Terese Wagner lives at 121 North Colorado Gulch Rd., live right off Croy Canyon Rd., only thing that saved our house in the past fires, was our great fire department. The BLM, is planning on connecting motorcycle paths to Bellevue. We’ve seen an increase in ATVs and motorcycles speeding by, saw the 2014 fire get started. We want to preserve the wildlife corridor. Would be grateful for your consideration of our opposition comments.

Online comments:

6:41:50 PM Karin Lindholm of 21 Rodeo Drive, concur with others, feel strongly about protecting the wildlife corridor. More important to pay attention to residents than to visitors. Needs to be a place more appropriate. Worried about fires too.

6:43:30 PM Derrick Kiel of 331 Croy Creek Rd., speaks to council. He has lived there 30 years, and wants it preserved, 2 nights ago, he saw 5 elk on the bench. Lived through 3 fires in the canyon, one came within 20 minutes. Driven through the flames in 3 am, with flames that look like in a movie. It is super special out there. Want people to enjoy trails, want another campground location and talk about it.

6:45:35 PM Mayor Burke brings back discussion to council.
6:46:04 PM Joel Loveday of 310 West Walnut asks to speak and reads a letter, he is opposed to campground.

6:48:30 PM Mayor Burke closes public comments.

Council deliberation:

6:49:18 PM Thea, thanks all for comments. Is fully behind number 7, wetlands there are not doing well. Would like to see us getting a grant, restore wetlands, improve wildlife habitat. Likes a campground for our community, don’t have other potential sites. We have time to respond to the grant we’ve received. Love to preserve this place with WRLT. Wildlife would be enhanced by this. Would ask that there be a real proposal put in front of us. If we don’t have a mechanism to protect this, we received $700,000 from Department of Lands. Want to see an easement. Baseball diamond would have to go if we restore Lions Park.

6:53:41 PM Linnet, don’t think this is an easy or black and white decision, requires empathy, property rights, thinks this is a great use for this property. Would be a great solution for this property, would protect wildlife, this is zoned R5 in county, if we don’t protect it, if Hailey cannot protect it, someone else would develop any number of buildings. 6:55:24 PM Expects an effort to take some steps to protect it, take it down the road to another council, maybe turns into housing or another use. Want to work with WRLT, need to have a hard honest discussion, we are listening to you, tough decision, Linnet grew up in fire country. Focus on reality you want to have happen.

6:57:00 PM Martinez, this whole process is about, our town is changing, we have to be involved in this change, prepared to pursue infrastructure that will work with this area. Feel this use will preserve this area, if we come together. Proud of community comments, it lets us know that people really care. 6:58:33 PM not sure you will another council that really cares about this.

6:58:59 PM Husbands, reiterating Thea and Linnet’s comments both. Thanks for all comments. Originally when grant was proposed, first was opposed to this. But now, agree with Linnet, hope we can work with WRLT, to make it a good use of the area. It would great to work with county on a bike lane. Not sure campground should be in this spot. School originally wanted to put the bus barn out here. Anything we can do, to preserve with WRLT.

7:01:17 PM Mayor Burke likes a path, signs, interpretive signs, would love to see Bullion bridge improved and/or add a pedestrian bridge. 7:02:01 PM this is the only land we have, that is why this site. We cannot just preserve this; we need to do a better job with taxpayer’s money. This was a great idea, not the best spot for camping.

7:03:07 PM Simms, we will reconvene this topic in 30 days.

7:03:50 PM Mayor Burke, we don’t have any other land.

7:04:19 PM Horowitz, we need to respond to grant by 8/3/21.
Short recess while people leave building.

reconvene meeting. 7:09:47 PM

PH 209 Consideration of a City-initiated infrastructure project pursuant to Hailey Municipal Code, Title 18, Mobility Design, Section 18.04.012, to implement an interim bicycle/pedestrian pathway along River Street, generally between McKercher Blvd and Bullion Street. The project includes an approximately five-foot (5') to ten-foot (10') wide asphalt bicycle/pedestrian pathway, generally located adjacent to the River Street right of way or existing curb lines; existing parking within the River Street right of way to be revised; relative paving and drainage improvements; portions of new asphalt; asphalt striping. The pathway will be constructed on both the east and west sides of River Street, and construction is anticipated to commence in the summer of 2021. Approximately $600,000 of Hailey Urban Renewal District funds will be utilized towards the project ACTION ITEM

7:09:49 PM Yeager opens this item, Yeager and Horowitz put out door hangers, and solicited comments from nearby residents. Additional drawings were sent out to council after packet was created. We have received some public comment. 7:11:05 PM travel lanes reduced per council’s comments, Re-located the bus stop, met with property owner for apartments, asked to split on property owner next to apts. 7:12:30 PM catch basin drywell, by Fireplaces etc., not a lot of changes from what you saw before. Ask for direction to move ahead.

Public comments:

7:13:34 PM Reggie James Christensen, his office is at Fireplaces Etc. building, have questions and concerns. Snow impact, pile snow between his building and Les Schwab. Looking to take 10 ft. from Les Schwab. Creates about 10-12 feet width on each side. With snow in middle in winter, concerned. Are you keeping sidewalks open all winter? With 12 ft lanes, concerns with large trucks using this street. Not sure why we have 2 paths on both sides of street when other parts of city have 1 path. 7:16:18 PM Then discusses drain issues, upgrade to the drain, have concerns for the path because of the water not draining.

7:16:55 PM Yeager responds, explains why we are doing 2 pedestrian paths. Regarding snow removal operations, all lines in winter are covered by snow at times. Generally speaking in this section, if street cleared, if not cleared. Christensen, 7:18:08 PM asks question, don’t use path in winter, has this been discussed. Yeager responds, we are trying to get people to stay in parking spaces, having challenges with Croy path and vehicles encroaching. 7:19:19 PM Yeager will look at the drain on the corner, if construction of drain helps facilitate movement on path, will consider this with URA, cannot commit one way or the other.

7:20:15 PM David Anttila, on tree committee, comments. Anttila is concerned with preserving trees at the intersection, of Silver and River Streets. We need to create canopies. By Fairfield hotel, we have 25 feet of hard scape, you don’t want that. He is a cyclist, all for bike lanes. Hoping people can work around larger trees and preserve them.
Yeager, 1st section, 1st block of LTHAC grant, repainting project here, no risk to trees here. As go further north, start to encounter significant trees, don’t want to take down any trees. In order to stay away from Elm trees, listen want to convert sections to parallel parking only, here. Looking to save as many trees as possible.

Ron Bateman, 402 North River, thank you to Lisa Horowitz for reaching out to us.

Horowitz, have had great meetings with River Street property owners.

Yeager, looking for council to approve this tonight, working on Spruce street North now, and then will focus on south of Spruce Street.

Husbands, concerns about snow removal. Yeager responds to Husbands comments, curb and gutter snow is removed. South of spruce, those pathways, try to find regular source of funding for removal in these areas. Husbands, can we have a 4-way stop at Galena on Walnut. Yeager, would require a, title 18 change, can look at this in future. Would like to see a roundabout or stop sign to slow traffic down. Husbands, also adds, people blow through the Les Schwab stop sign all the time, suggests lines to indicate a stop sign is there. With businesses recently added, and more traffic. Burke adds we are meeting city wide for traffic concerns.

Yeager, we are discussing traffic, looking to order, “your speed” signs. Recognition, trigger, camera to city, to address education.

Linnet, asks about speed bumps. Yeager responds. those are drainage efficiencies, not speed bumps, 2nd ave, the drainage swell is bumpy.

Linnet motion to approve, seconded by Thea. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Introduction of Ordinance amending a section of Hailey Municipal Code Title 13, to exempt city parks and rights of way from irrigation restrictions ACTION ITEM

Dawson, we proposed a quick amendment to title 13, to exempt city parks from odd/even watering restrictions. Main reasons, managing preserve, water tank levels in our storage tanks. 2nd is to avoid irrigating through the hot of the day. Wanted to introduce this to council, next will be at public hearing.

Yeager adds, we are not looking to water more, just more strategically. And in-between events. If you need 16 hours to water, then we need to swing some watering into the next day. Burke, and we don’t want to get complaints. Yeager, and it takes a long time to go through the zones in the large parks.

Thea, thanks for the clarification.

Yeager, school wants similar exemption for their water use since they are on a well.
7:39:12 PM Dawson, they are already exempt, as it is only for potable water.

7:39:50 PM Linnet, complaints received about watering. Will this help alleviate this problem? Yeager, operationally nothing will change, need to communicate. Thea, put articles in newsletter. 7:41:10 PM Linnet be careful about exempting ourselves. Yeager, will continue to find ways to reduce water use.

Staff reports:

7:41:48 PM Husbands summer reading starts today, through July 30th, Storytime held on west side of City Hall building.

7:42:28 PM Linnet covid meetings are being held less frequently, things are getting better, trending in right direction.

7:43:03 PM Thea, upsetting for ITD charging us for the studies, they should be good with what we want to see. Why should we have to pay $9,000 for the RFB, they haven’t met us on the pedestrian ramps and now they are charging us for what we are asking. Not giving us the crosswalks we want. Want to be on record for this, charging us is unfortunate. Yeager, in response to the consent agenda item. Yeager agrees with Thea. RRFB, analysis on River Street will take place in a few months.

7:45:42 PM Mayor Burke, mountain rides cultivating relationship with ITD. It is not just this project that we are working with ITD on, they have to be willing to work with us on other important projects.

Continued discussion regarding ITD Main Street repaving project.

7:48:12 PM Simms asks for exec session motion, Linnet moves to go into Executive Session for Real Property Acquisition under IC 74-206 (1)(c) and/or Pending & Imminently Likely Litigation under (IC 74-206(1)(f)), Thea seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

7:49:55 PM Mayor and council depart to conduct Executive Session.

8:18:59 PM Mayor and council return from Executive Session and reconvene meeting.

8:20:48 PM Mayor Burke calls meeting back in session. 8:19:54 PM suggested purchase motion, Resolution 2021-64.

Simms, 8:20:48 PM adds, offer to purchase $900,000. Linnet, is there going to be deliberation? Simms, yes, there should be deliberation.

8:21:09 PM Linnet, 60-day free look sounds like a good idea, and is in favor of this purchase.
Thea also in favor, for looking at this for potential use, and can pull out without consequences.

8:22:01 PM Martinez, all for it.

Husbands, concurs.

8:22:14 PM Thea, desire to build up River Street, will become bike/ped avenue of our time.

8:22:49 PM Thea moves to adopt Resolution 2021-64 offer to purchase 116 S. River Street building, Simms adds, and move to authorize the Mayor to sign, Husbands seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Thea, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Husbands, yes.

8:23:43 PM Thea moves to adjourn, Husbands seconds motion passed unanimously.