MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD OCTOBER 19, 2015
IN THE HAILEY TOWN CENTER MEETING ROOM

The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Mayor Fritz Haemmerle. Present were Council members Carol Brown, Don Keirn, Pat Cooley, and Martha Burke. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson, City Administrator Heather Dawson, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

5:31:54 PM call to order by Mayor Haemmerle

Open Session for Public Comments:

No public comments

CONSENT AGENDA:

CA 416 Motion to approve Resolution 2015-92 authorizing the Mayor’s signature and approving Change Order No. 1, for the Wastewater Treatment Plant’s Biosolids Project, for the net amount of $8,065.15 for a credit for a change in concrete mix and an added cost for changes to the building

CA 417 Motion to approve 4th pay request under the Woodside Wastewater Treatment Plant Biosolids Project for Contractors Northwest Inc. in the amount of $134,643.56

CA 418 Resolution 2015-93, authorizing the Mayor to sign and approve a Corporate Outfitter Purchase Agreement for work clothes/uniforms for the Water Division

CA 419 Motion to approve Resolution 2015-94, authorizing an Agreement Joe’s Backhoe Service, Inc., for a drywell and catch basin at River and Carbonate Streets for the amount of $11,000

CA 420 Motion to approve Resolution 2015-95, declaring Surplus Property and authorizing removal/destruction of items

CA 421 Motion to approve minutes of April 20, 2015 and to suspend reading of them

CA 422 Motion to approve Treasurer’s reports for September 2015

5:32:28 PM Burke moved to approve all consent agenda items, seconded by Keirn, motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR’S REMARKS:

5:32:50 PM Mayor Haemmerle presented at last week’s Rotary Club meeting. He received interesting input. Haemmerle will continue to present to other groups beginning with the Hailey Chamber of Commerce. Stayed tuned on this topic.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

PP 424 Presentation by Pat McMahon from Sun Valley Water and Sewer on the Galena Groundwater District (a vote is discussed further under PH 430)

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Pat McMahon is the Sun Valley Water and Sewer District’s 5:34:33 PM General Manager, and is also the District Manager of District 37. McMahon has been in Sun Valley since 2006. McMahon reads from a letter he prepared regarding the Galena Groundwater District which has recently been formed and is up for vote for officers on the Nov. 3rd election. McMahon implores this would be a good idea to avoid curtailment.

5:37:20 PM Mayor Haemmerle comments.

5:37:49 PM Carol Brown asks if we can discuss the voting now while McMahon is here.

5:38:18 PM Mayor Haemmerle moves item PH 430 to discuss now.

**PH 430 Discussion and Resolution 2015-___ authorizing the Mayor to sign the Elector’s Oath and vote on the Galena Groundwater District Formation and Representatives**

5:38:36 PM Miller gives a background of this item. Hailey received this ballot for its ownership of 1.03 cfs groundwater irrigation rights. There are 3 Board of Directors being considered, one from each district. If the district is approved in the November election, then Municipal rights would need to be added later. Cost would be $154.50 for Hailey to join this district. (The fee is based on 1.03 cfs of groundwater rights - $3.00 per 0.02 cfs)

5:40:43 PM Williamson comments, he spoke with Mike Creamer our water rights attorney and he believes this would be a good idea and that Hailey should support this vote. We can figure out the municipal rights at a later date.

Keirn comments.

5:41:41 PM Williamson, page 124, minor change to the first Whereas clause change the “1.03 cfs of irrigation water rights” to “1.03 cfs of groundwater irrigation rights.”.


5:43:40 PM Cooley asks a question. McMahon responds.

No public comments.

5:44:33 PM Brown appreciates this district forming and appreciates the water rights attorney’s information.

5:45:17 PM Cooley asks a question. Haemmerle answers Cooley’s question. This is an opportunity to show support for the Groundwater District.

Cooley asks how often officers are elected.

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**APPOINTMENTS AND AWARDS:**

**AA 425 Library Board re-appointment - April MacLeod term expires Sept. 2015**

Mayor Haemmerle speaks to this item. Mayor suggests the reappointment of April MacLeod.

Brown moves to reappoint April MacLeod, and appreciates her many years of service, Keirn seconded, motion passed unanimously.

**AA 426 Mountain Rides Board appointment for 3 year term – Susan McBryant term expires Oct 2015**

Susan McBryant is retiring from this board after many years of service to Hailey. And after advertising for this board opening to seek interested parties we found that Becki Keefer is interested.

Brown moves to appoint Becki Keefer, seconded by Cooley, motion passed unanimously.

On another topic, Burke asks if the traffic sensor tracks speed. Miller confirms yes.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**PH 427 Discussion of October 13, 2015 FMAA meeting, and letter from U.S. DOT Federal Aviation Administration District Office Manager David Stelling**

Williamson comments. Haemmerle comments.

Donna Serrano asks for a copy of the letter from packet.

**PH 428 Consideration of a request by Leadership Circle, LLC on behalf of Natural Grocer for a new Private Road connecting Main Street and First Avenue in conjunction with a new specialty retail store, Natural Grocer (continued from 10/05/2015 meeting)**

Horowitz answers the question that council posed in the last meeting. Horowitz explained that the private road and building would be constructed at the same time.

No public comments.

Burke moves to approve new private road located on the side Lots of Lemon Subdivision Lots 1 and 2 and Tax Lot 4451 (Natural Grocers) as shown on the attached site.

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plans, subject to the following conditions 1-6, seconded by Keirn, motion passed with roll call vote. Burke, yes. Cooley, yes. Keirn, yes. Brown, yes.

**PH 429 Consideration of Resolution 2015-85, setting user and connection fees for water and wastewater (cont’d from 9/21/15 meeting and 10/05/2015 meeting)**

5:58:55 PM Miller gives an overview. On Sept 21st the first proposal of Water and Wastewater rates was discussed. Multi-Family rates was presented by an owner of an apartment complex and requested a revision accounting for this type of situation. Based on comments and council’s direction, staff made changes. Miller worked with (Brian Yeager of Galena Engineers) City Engineer to calculate rates. Results are in tonight’s packet. There is a small difference. Option A takes existing rates, then upper tiered users see greater increases at higher uses. Option B is more steady increases, no jump like in Option A.

6:04:54 PM Haemmerle asks a question about these options. Miller answers. General Discussion ensues about comparing Option A verses B.

6:08:16 PM Miller comments again regarding the options.

6:08:55 PM Haemmerle looks a pages 107 and 108 and comments that the reasons for the rate increases are included on these 2 pages of the packet.

6:09:13 PM Williamson feels the tiered approach is important for conservation.

6:09:39 PM Tony Evans with the Idaho Mountain Express asks a question about comparing the options. Evans asks a question about the Multi Family housing change. Haemmerle responds to Evans’s question.

6:12:48 PM Miller answers Evans question.

6:13:35 PM Cooley explains the new rates.

6:15:05 PM Brian Yeager speaks to Evans questions.

6:16:17 PM Brown comments, Cooley’s comments were very good. Brown likes option B. Burke supports Option B also, because she likes the increment increases.

6:17:52 PM Cooley, this gets reexamined every year. Cooley likes option B.

6:18:41 PM Keirn likes option B.

6:19:19 PM Haemmerle wants council to consider option A, he explains why.


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Williamson answers Keirns question – why were connection fees reduced. Yeager comments.

PH 431 Consideration of Title 18 – amendments approved by Planning and Zoning Commission and identified during the Municipal Code Codification project with Sterling Codifiers (to be cont’d to Nov. 2nd meeting) no documents

Cooley moves to continue this item to the Nov. 2nd meeting, seconded by Burke, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

OB 432 Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Hailey, New Mobility West and selected consultant for transportation consulting services related to the New Mobility West Grant awarded to the City of Hailey

The New Mobility West consultant has selected a company from New York City which is known for its planning. Horowitz gives an overview. If approved this company will be here Dec. 9, 10, 11.

Williamson asks council to adopt a resolution with this agreement which is not in tonight’s packet.

Keirn moves to adopt agreement with Resolution 2015-97, seconded by Cooley, motion passed unanimously.

OB 433 2nd Reading of Ordinance 1189 - amendments to Title 13, Water and Wastewater, to establish a circuit breaker fee reduction for wastewater based on the meter and bond fee, to establish authority for other administrative fees and fee waivers and to modify water and wastewater fees for multiple family dwellings

Miller explains minor title change in this ordinance on page 146 of packet section 6, item J, the previous title of this was “Transfer of Property” now it is “Administrative Fee for Sale or Lease of Property.”.

Burke moves to authorize 2nd Reading of Ordinance No. 1189, waive the 3rd reading, read by title only, and allow Mayor to sign ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Haemmerle conducts 2nd and final reading of Ordinance No. 1189 by title only.

OB 434 Update regarding ITD’s progress improving safety at the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Airport Way and Highway 75 (Main St.)
6:30:50 PM Miller researched this item. And followed up with ITD on this item. An improvement project is planned within the year 6-12 months. Miller explains the enhanced light plan.

Cooley asks a question. Burke comments.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

6:34:46 PM HFD, our rating will stay the same. Having apparatus issues, unexpected, working with that, engine #4 will be replaced soon.

6:35:52 PM Miller discusses the stop sign at 3rd and Bullion, collecting data of traffic at this intersection. Roger Parker will present to council in a future November meeting, the progress of Wastewater Biosolids project.

Horowitz comments that Blaine County Commissioners have noticed for their meeting tomorrow Oct. 20th, a discussion of Bellevue/Hailey Area of City Impact, Horowitz and/or Williamson will attend to let the County know that Hailey is interested in participating in these discussions.

6:37:28 PM Dawson, Police made a significant arrest yesterday regarding fraudulent use of financial cards, the Mayor and Council will have a press release in their inboxes tomorrow about the situation.

6:38:00 PM Brown out for Nov. 2nd meeting will be at last 3 meetings of the year.

6:38:27 PM With no further business, Cooley moves to adjourn, Burke seconds, motion passed.