The regular meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:30 PM. by Mayor Susan McBryant. Present were Council members Rick Davis, Don Keirn, Martha Burke and Carol Brown. Staff present included City Attorney Ned Williamson and City Clerk Heather Dawson.

CONSENT AGENDA

Several items were pulled from the consent agenda, including CA 299, CA 302, CA 305, CA 306 CA 308, CA 309, and CA 312. Burke moved to approve the remainder of the consent agenda as presented. Keirn seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

CA 297 Motion to approve alcohol beverage licenses for 2006/2007
CA 298 Motion to approve special events permit for Sun Club Race for Recovery
CA 299 Motion to approve contract for prosecution of city misdemeanors with Rick Allington
CA 300 Motion to approve purchase of heating equipment for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Digester dome, costing $17,778.60
CA 301 Motion to approve purchase of blower for Wastewater Treatment Plant Digester dome, costing $23,985.00.
CA 302 Motion to approve acceptance of paving bid for River Street Extension from Valley Paving, for an estimated cost of $16,371
CA 303 Motion to approve Supplemental Agreement with Transpo Group, amending the ITD traffic study agreement, to include work for Bellevue as described in Joint Agreement between Hailey and Bellevue adopted at the previous city council meeting
CA 304 Motion to approve merchant services agreement with Chase bank for credit/debit card services, for customer use of cards through www.haileycityhall.org Bill Pay and in person at City Hall
CA 305 Motion to authorize Resolution 2006-12 adopting Hailey City Investment Policy
CA 306 Motion to approve Resolution 2006-13 authorizing Friedman Memorial Airport SUN-06 Grant Agreement to spend $15,000 in federal funds on air traffic control tower improvements
CA 307 Motion to approve Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for vacation of certain public utility easements in Woodside Plat 10
CA 308 Motion to approve Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for 474 Club’s Sweetwater PUD, Large Block Plat, and Flood Development Permit
CA 309 Motion to approve Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for 474 Club’s Sutton Subdivision replat of Lot 2
CA 310 Motion to approve summary of Ordinance 955 – Airport Car Rental Regulations
CA 311 Motion to approve summary of Ordinance 956 – Water & Wastewater Regulations
CA 312 Motion to approve minutes of the August 14, 2006 City Council meeting and to suspend reading of them
CA 313 Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during August, 2006

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CA 299 – Misdemeanor Contract
Williamson said this matter would need to be handled at a later meeting.

CA 302 - River Street Paving Bid
Following a minor question posed by Davis and answered by City Engineer Tom Hellen, Davis moved to approve the paving bid for the River Street Extension as submitted by the Engineer. Burke seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

CA 305 – Investment Policy Resolution
Brown asked that the policy of two signatures be followed in making investments. Dawson suggested that the City Administrator or Mayor sign off on investments prior to them being made. Brown concurred, and moved that the Investment Resolution be adopted. Burke seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

CA 306 – Friedman Memorial Grant Resolution
Williamson said he had pulled this from the consent agenda to add to the motion that the Resolution and Grant Agreement be authorized for signature. Davis moved to approve Resolution 2006-13 authorizing Friedman Memorial Airport SUN-06 Grant Agreement to spend $15,000 in federal funds on air traffic control tower improvements, and to authorize signing the agreement. Burke seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

CA 308 - 474 Club’s Sweetwater Findings of Fact
CA 309 - 474 Club’s Sutton Subdivision Replat Lot 2 Findings of Fact
Davis recused himself from both of these items. Brown moved and Burke seconded that all findings of fact related to 474 Club’s applications at Sweetwater and Sutton’s Subdivision be approved as drafted. The motion carried with Davis abstaining.

CA 312 – Minutes of August 14, 2006
Davis had extensive revisions to the draft minutes, such that the mayor suggested this matter be continued to the next meeting.

PRESENTATION by Jason Miller of Wood River Ride Share
Jason Miller presented the work currently being done by Wood River Ride Share and Smart Moves, including a van pool to carry workers living in remote areas to the Wood River Valley communities, and the Safe Routes to School program. He said that program is a national initiative, and WR Ride Share has taken on that initiative as one of its programs. He said he has worked with the city engineer on traffic flow, and with the police department on safe routes to school. The bike rodeo conducted recently with the Hailey Police Department was successful, with helmet fittings for children being the first matter of business.

OPENING REMARKS
Mayor McBryant was pleased to have Jim Spinelli at the table working as Hailey’s City Administrator. She thanked him for accepting the position. He said throughout the hiring process, it snuck up on him, and now excited and pleased he hasn’t had the opportunity to think what he would
like to do specifically with the position. He has been working for the city in an unofficial capacity with the Chamber of Commerce, and was very pleased to be now working for the city itself. He said he would begin by working only 20 hours per week, while the Chamber of Commerce position is undergoing transition, and after the 15th of September he would be working full time for Hailey. He hoped to have a replacement at the Chamber of Commerce by September 15, but certainly no later than September 30, 2006.

**FRIEDMAN MEMORIAL AIRPORT JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT AMENDMENT**

Rick Baird, Friedman Memorial Airport Manager, said additional options exist now than prior to 2005, which make placement of a concrete blockade at the north end of the runway no longer the best safety option for runway. Removal of the trees at the south end of the runway is not favorable to the airport board, and lighting the trees is deemed to be a better option. The airport doesn’t have permission from the southern border landowner to put up the lights. Airport Attorney Barry Luboviski said in 1994 when the city and county entered into the joint powers agreement, the Airport Authority was not given property ownership and condemnation powers. Three amendments have been made to the joint powers agreement extending the term, exchanging land, use authority funds for local share of grants. The condemnation authority we are asking for is limited to this tree lighting issue only. Williamson said the condemnation attorney has added some language and distributed a modified draft. One change to the document allows negotiation, and the easement would be conveyed to the city and county. Brown asked about publication of regulations prior to the runway approach being used. Baird said these old approach procedures will cease to exist on the 28th, and after that we would not have any night approach procedures. Without procedures, aircraft can fly under visual rules. Davis asked if Sun Valley has had a response. Baird said we asked for help, they were and are concerned, but we’re now here asking for help.

Mayor McBryant opened the public hearing. There was none. Keirn said normally in eminent domain there is fair market value. Luboviski said an easement would have some impact on the value, but we’ve been talking about whether the ranch is more valuable with or without the cottonwoods along the canal. Brown asked if the authority has money if there are financial ramifications. Luboviski said it does. Brown urged the authority to proceed with what is most safe. Davis said he is a property rights person, and he didn’t think the lights were intrusive. Brown moved to authorize the mayor to sign the joint powers updated version. Davis seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

**ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

City Finance Director Heather Dawson presented a final draft of the proposed fiscal year 2006/2007 budget, with the details of Local Option Tax expenditures put into the appropriate departmental budgets, as directed in the previous meeting by the city council. **Davis moved to authorize the annual appropriation ordinance, and read the first reading by title only.** Keirn seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

**WATER AND SEWER RATES**
City Engineer Tom Hellen presented a revised Resolution adopting new water and sewer rates for to accommodate the metered system, which rates would be effective October 1, 2006. Keirn moved to adopt the Water and Sewer rates resolution. Burke seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

LION’S PARK ICE RINK

Becky Keefer said that Hailey Ice, Inc, the committee who has been planning an ice rink at Lion’s park, is at the point where they would like to put a refrigerated slab in place at Lion’s Park upon which to put ice. The committee is asking the council to be an applicant with Hailey Ice for a Blaine County conditional use permit to allow construction of the slab. Janet Fugate, Chair of the Hailey Parks Board, said the board encourages these volunteer projects. Ron Fairfax of Hailey Ice described the fundraising efforts. Last year the group was given the opportunity to take over Cutters barn, but the barn’s engineering couldn’t meet current code. The committee hoped to start with the slab, and over the next 2-3 years, raise another $500,000 for the project. We need some commitments from some of the groups around. Brown asked if design criteria is in place. Fairfax said only conceptually. He felt that the park looking nice is important, as it’s a project for the community. Brown asked about the access; Fairfax said it may be graded at the same time the parking lot is graded. Lighting may be blocked by sun screening at the east side of the rink. Blue rooms would be used until the city is successful in getting its infrastructure to that side of the river. Keirn asked about snow storage for the city. Ray Hyde said the city uses the entire parking lot for staging of snow. The ice rink would plan parking at the west side. Brown asked if there are areas to store snow at the airport. Fairfax said there are areas occasionally used for extra auto storage.

Becky Stokes of 617 Third Ave. North said there are 80 children in the local hockey program, and 48 of those kids live south of East Fork Road. Davis said Hailey’s parks have 2 shortages – soccer fields and ice. What this would do for economic viability of Hailey is huge, and it is for the children. Burke said the snow storage crisis should be resolved. She wanted to move ahead with the ice and work the snow storage problems out. Keirn said if snow storage becomes a priority we could preempt the ice for that need. Brown said if we go forward this fall and improve the road access, we will have handled a safety issue up front. Snow storage relocation is a real issue. Higher and better use is a park, but we actively need to find some permanent snow storage. Getting the ice in place will help Hailey Ice with their fund raising. Brown wanted Hailey’s design review guidelines followed, even though the project is in the county.

Davis moved to sponsor the conditional use permit application to Blaine County. Keirn seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

2005/2006 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Dawson introduced the need to amend Hailey’s current year appropriation ordinance. The water replacement fund budget had appropriated $139,000 in expenses during the year, but in actuality will have incur approximately $600,000 in expenses. The water meter installation project incurred more expense than anticipated during the appropriation process, and the department had undertaken a reconstruction of infrastructure on Briarwood Drive. The fund had excess unappropriated fund balance to offset the expenses.
Davis moved to adopt a tentative budget not to exceed $10,989,527 and instruct the clerk to publish the tentative budget for public hearing as required by law. Keirn seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

The council set the following meeting schedule during October, 2006, with meetings to begin at 5:30 p.m:

Monday October 9       Thursday October 19
Monday October 23       Thursday, October 26
Monday October 30

The council discussed Blaine County’s decision to utilize a February election date for the jail bond election being planned. McBryant said the city has spoken with County Commissioner Tom Bowman to let him know that Hailey is well into planning a bond election for its Woodside Fire Station. She asked Fire Chief Mike Chapman to be prepared to explain the bond issue at the next city council meeting. Burke noted that the Woodside Fire Station could potentially house the consolidated dispatch center. How has the county done 90% of its dispatch center design if they don’t yet know whether that’s the direction they are going. Chapman said once a dispatch center is merged with a building, there are different requirements for its construction. The mayor asked Keirn to explore this matter with someone on the BC3 authority.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Brown acknowledged the Hailey Fire Department, saying its Engine #1 was one of the first responders to help protect structures near Stanley when the SNRA needed to call for aid in fighting forest fires. She expressed pride in Hailey’s department.

Davis and Keirn noted that neither council member would be in town for the September 11, 2006 regular city council meeting. The council decided to reset that meeting to September 18th at 3:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Davis moved and Keirn seconded that the council go into executive session to discuss pending litigation, land acquisition, and personnel matters. A roll call vote showed all in favor. The council went into executive session at 7:40 p.m. Following a motion and roll call vote to adjourn, the mayor adjourned the executive session and the city council meeting.

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Susan McBryant, Mayor

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Heather Dawson, City Clerk