

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL  
HELD APRIL 24, 2023  
IN THE HAILEY TOWN CENTER MEETING ROOM**

The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Council President, Kaz Thea. Present were Council members Juan Martinez, Heidi Husbands, and Sam Linnet. Staff present included City Attorney Christopher P. Simms, City Administrator Lisa Horowitz, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

Mayor Burke joined the meeting at 6:10 pm.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

[5:30:18 PM](#) call to order by Kaz Thea.

Open session for public concerns: [5:30:38 PM](#) no comments.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- [CA 109](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2023-053, authorizing the mayor’s signature on the Security Agreement related to the Design Review of the Airport Inn, a project located at 804 South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Lot 1B, Block 137, Hailey Townsite). **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 110](#) Motion to approve and authorize the mayor’s signature on Resolution 2023-047, an Initial Task Scope by the Jacobs/GGLO team for launching Hailey’s Comprehensive Plan Update, which outlines the overall scope of work, schedule, and budget for the update **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 111](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2023-054, authorizing the Mayor’s signature and approval of an agreement with Webb Landscaping Inc., for maintenance services at Sunbeam Park. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 112](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2023-055, authorizing the Mayor to sign a Landscape Maintenance agreement with Clearwater Landscaping for irrigation services on Main St. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 113](#) Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-056, authorizing the Mayor to sign the Adopt A Park Agreement with ArborCare Resources, Inc. to oversee the health of the trees and vegetation of the Hailey Native Plant Arboretum (Arboretum) during the 2023 park season. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 114](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2023-057, authorizing the mayor to sign an agreement with Lyons Landscape Architects in the amount of \$16,000, plus reimbursable expenses, to prepare landscape improvement and irrigation design for River Street Right of Way at Bullion St. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 115](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2023-058, authorizing the mayor to sign Task Order #4 with HDR Engineering, for reviewing the City’s potable system water rights, for a lump sum amount of \$3,500. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 116](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2023-059, authorizing the Mayor to sign the Adopt A Park Agreements with Clearwater Landscaping, G&G Landscaping, Sun Valley Services, Webb Landscape, and the Wood River Baseball Association, for maintenance and mowing of adopted Parks during the 2023 park season. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 117](#) Motion to authorize staff to proceed with the purchase of two (2) F150 utility vehicles in an amount approximately \$65,000 each. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- [CA 118](#) Motion to accept bid from Skyline Excavation and Grading in the amount of \$59,042, for construction of a water fill station, and motion to adopt Resolution 2023-060, authorizing the Mayor to sign the bid proposal and project related documents. **ACTION ITEM**.....
- ~~[CA 119](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2023-061, a resolution approving the Wood River Land Trust Croy Canyon Easement Management Plan **ACTION ITEM**.....~~

- [CA 120](#) ~~Motion to approve Resolution 2023-062, a resolution approving the Wood River Land Trust Colorado Gulch Trails Plan ACTION ITEM~~.....
- [CA 121](#) Motion to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision for a Planned Unit Development by the Blaine County School District c/o ARCH Community Housing Trust, Inc. for one (1), two-story multifamily building consisting of four (4) residential units and a one (1), one-story detached studio unit, to be located at 128 W. Bullion (Lot 10A, Parkview Estates), within the General Residential (GR) and Townsite Overlay (TO) Zoning Districts. ACTION ITEM.....
- [CA 122](#) Motion to approve minutes of April 10, 2023 and to suspend reading of them ACTION ITEM.....
- [CA 123](#) Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of March 2023, and claims for expenses due by contract in April, 2023 ACTION ITEM.....

[5:30:49 PM](#) Thea has a question, Yeager responds.

[5:32:16 PM](#) Horowitz notes, WRLT contracts.

Linnet has a couple of questions, CA 119 and CA 120.

[5:33:20 PM](#) **Linnet moved to approve all consent agenda items minus CA 119 and CA 120, seconded by Martinez, motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Linnet, yes. Thea, yes.**

CA 119 [5:33:44 PM](#) Keri York presents to council. Worked with Harmony for a community planning process and then Avid Trails, to design a trail that would go through both Hailey and WRLT properties. Been working with staff on a management agreement, presented tonight. Linnet asks question, ADA, universal access, not true ADA access. Trails open to bikes, equestrian, no dogs, trying to balance habitat protection, for wildlife and protection.

[5:39:03 PM](#) CA 120 – Colorado Gulch, York, 2 easements transferred to City of Hailey, need to get Hailey’s approval for the improvements. Linnet asks about the bridge, York, the County is leading this effort, expected 2024.

[5:41:12 PM](#) **Linnet moves to approve both CA 119 and CA 120, Martinez seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Linnet, yes. Martinez, yes. Thea, yes.**

**PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

*PP 124 Presentation by Mark Sindell of GGLO regarding Hailey Parks Planning (Lions Park, Heagle Park and Hailey Town Square)*

[5:41:57 PM](#) Mark Sindell with GGLO introduced by Horowitz. Sindell gives overview, please ask any questions at any time. Sindell gives a progress review, with the Parks Master Plan, then Greenway MP, Downtown Parks Necklace and promenade. Sindell describes Power of 10+, how cities transform through placemaking. [5:50:21 PM](#) Looking at this as a collective Park System, may take time to transform. Sindell discusses Urban Oasis, Urban Park and Urban Plaza. Sindell discusses the capacity study which they performed on these areas, Lions Park, Town Center West and Hop Porter Park. Sindell reviews possible program assessments for these areas, on how to use them year-round.

[6:03:14 PM](#) Thea likes the idea of expanding, what parks do best, likes these ideas.

[6:04:18 PM](#) Linnet grew up in California, envision something similar to what he has experienced.

[6:07:40 PM](#) Horowitz, not sure if we can have a wave feature yet, looking at this, by way of Matthias.

[6:09:51 PM](#) Sindell then discusses Hop Porter Park recommended programs.

Mayor Burke arrives.

[6:13:08 PM](#) Sindell discusses the Croy Creek corridor next. Any questions?

[6:16:51 PM](#) Thea feels urban and rural needs separation, likes this idea to have a separate pedestrian bridge.

*PP 125 Presentation by Mark Sindell of GGLO regarding the Hailey Downtown Master Plan*

[6:18:15 PM](#) Downtown Master Plan discussion, opens with takeaways from focus groups. Design alternatives could include connecting downtown with nearby parks and gathering places. 3 zones, one zone includes Croy to Carbonate [6:34:58 PM](#) Opportunity sites, will discuss next time. Questions, comments?

[6:35:38 PM](#) Linnet feels like on the right track. Thea, likes the idea of café on every block. Mayor Burke, asks Yeager, bus stop, bulb outs. Yeager responds, trying to get rid of concrete, corner by Library is coming out. We are still in early stages. This will take decades to reach this as a product. Yeager gives insight on how this came about as Master Plans.

[6:41:44 PM](#) Martinez, this plan has to tie to other parks. Southern parks could be sports focused.

Continued discussion about future areas for improvement.

[6:46:08 PM](#) Yeager asks Sindell, next steps? Sindell responds, will get with Jacobs Engineering on traffic, Town Square site, bring to this level. Then dive into some key areas, funding resources, break into manageable chunks. Yeager, identify how to implement. The 2 block LHTAC grant included in this plan, might have funding in 2025, if we are able to stay on track.

[6:50:57 PM](#) Mayor Burke takes a seat at her place and describes event she just attended, with the hockey champions.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

*NB 126 Discussion of fertilizer and herbicide use on City parks resulting in direction to staff for summer operations ACTION ITEM*

[6:52:57 PM](#) Yeager leads this discussion. Yeager has met with Clearwater and Webb Landscaping, there are options for fertilizer. 3 categories, organic, all – natural and synthetic. Yeager explains them. To do organic, we would have to apply 20 times more per season. If we don't keep herbicide on Woodside Blvd, then we would be overrun with weeds. Yeager seeks guidance with mayor and council. [6:58:27 PM](#) Horowitz adds, we have 1 park employee, caution council with huge change and low staff. We are positioned to have a lot of contract work for the parks due to the reduced staff. [6:59:58 PM](#) what are your thoughts on herbicide? Thea, spoken with Ketchum, Yeager no, only landscaping companies. Horowitz, have 11 people in street department. Our parks are vastly larger than Ketchum.

[7:01:07 PM](#) Linnet all for organics, but comfortable keeping status quo, if organic has consequences.

[7:02:52 PM](#) Burke gives example of her yard, does not have any grass any longer.

[7:03:32 PM](#) Husbands can we go with organic fertilizer, okay with status quo also.

[7:04:52 PM](#) further discussion about mowing height challenges.

Burke, I don't see how we can change what we are doing.

[7:06:30 PM](#) Martinez, solutions are out there, but we have 1 employee, more applications, don't see how we can be successful in going organic. Suggests cutting fertilizer, Yeager is okay with that. Herbicide, not comfortable with cutting. Yeager can work with the adopters to reduce fertilizer. Martinez, stick with Woodside. Linnet weeds are a priority. Husbands, article in Our Town newsletter, discussion and decision. Yeager gives a recap on his direction. [7:16:57 PM](#) Yeager adds, don't have a contractor or staff to work on Woodside Blvd.

No exec session needed.

#### **STAFF REPORTS:**

[7:18:04 PM](#) Yeager flood water coming down Hiawatha Canal, in North end of town, Schwarz is checking on it right now.

[7:19:23 PM](#) Davis, CD annual report presentation. 36 new single-family permits issued. 132 multi-family units. 8 ADU permits issued. 10-year overview 2012. Davis gave breakdown of P&Z public hearing items and then of all the different projects approved. Code amendments adopted including expanding DRO area and Tiny Homes on Wheels. Long-range city projects include expanding the flower project. Comprehensive Plan update, contractor selected, GGLO. Underway with cottage development standards. Looking for incentive to builders for green building. 515 active businesses, 13 closed last year.

[7:32:39 PM](#) **Motion to adjourn by Husbands, Martinez seconds, motion passed unanimously.**