

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAILEY CITY COUNCIL
HELD JUNE 10, 2024
IN THE HAILEY TOWN CENTER MEETING ROOM**

The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 4:59 P.M. by Mayor Martha Burke. Present were Council members Kaz Thea, Juan Martinez, Heidi Husbands, and Dustin Stone. Staff present included City Attorney Christopher P. Simms, City Administrator Lisa Horowitz, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

CALL TO ORDER:

[4:59:36 PM](#) call to order by Mayor Burke.

Open session for public concerns:

[4:59:59 PM](#) no comments.

Public Hearing:

*PH 149 Introduction of Mayor's proposed budget for FY 2025, regarding General Fund and Water/Wastewater Enterprise Fund budgets **ACTION ITEM***

[5:00:48 PM](#) Burke, we are going to be conservative this year, as always. I hope that council will respect what department heads have presented to you today. We have a balanced budget and Becky is on the call.

[5:02:47 PM](#) Horowitz, thanks all department heads, consensus that the 3% merit is more important than adding new staff. Horowitz reviews the budget presentation gives an overview of the presentation, then moves to the departments. Generally addresses budgets, most have increased 4%, some appear to be up 8%, but that is just timing of 3% training raises catching up. Proposing flat contracts for services this year, these providers will come present to you next year.

[5:09:09 PM](#) Horowitz, at the end of the day, we need to remain balanced, so if you want to give someone more, we'll need to adjust elsewhere. No action tonight. Property tax increase, 3%, does not cover the 3% increase in salaries. Horowitz reviews the revenues and expenditure line items.

[5:13:05 PM](#) Mayor Burke adds, we cannot increase anything, and want to do this across the board. I did not want to play favorites, wanted to be fair and consistent.

[5:14:04 PM](#) Thea, our LOT brings in good money, but reliant on good snow year, we should look at other ways of increasing our revenue. We could add to our LOT. Horowitz, we can bring something forward for discussion in the future.

[5:15:55 PM](#) Stone, question, water and wastewater enterprise, is there something specific here? Horowitz comments. Yeager, adds, this budget includes general fund and enterprise funds, for

water and wastewater. Stone asks about the \$50,000 stipend for rent assistance, where is this budgeted? Horowitz, in the Legislative budget. 10 or 12% of workforce have taken advantage of this benefit. We just sent a survey to employees, asking if we lowered the threshold, would more take advantage of it? Seems to be a positive response, will bring a change back in front of council.

[5:22:21 PM](#) Thea, asks about \$500,000, how much spent? We have spent \$275,000 out of that budgeted amount, Horowitz responds.

[5:24:17 PM](#) Martinez, appreciates all the formats that the budget was presented. Supportive of the mayor’s vision. Burke likes ClearGov and thinks it helps create interest in our budget.

[5:26:07 PM](#) Stone, \$92,000, for sustainability, what is this used for? Horowitz, this is 50% of each of the 2 employees, Emily R. and Emily W.

Public comments:

[5:28:01 PM](#) Ron Nelson, wanted to bring to your attention to what happened at the Ohio Gulch dump, they have stopped taking leaves. Is something going to be done about it? Have to pay Winn’s composting to take the leaves. Mayor Burke, the county is the presiding entity. Horowitz will call recycling center this week.

No more comments on budget.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- ~~[CA 150](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2024-047, authorizing grant agreement with IDVR for Work-Based Learning Experience (WBLE) for E. Georgiades ACTION ITEM.....~~
- [CA 151](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2024-048, authorizing an indemnification agreement with Blaine County School District for City’s use of school property during the July 4, 2024 technical fireworks display ACTION ITEM..
- [CA 152](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2024-049, authorizing the Mayor’s signature on a service contract with Opal Engineering for general engineering services ACTION ITEM.....
- [CA 153](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2024-050, authorizing the Mayor to sign a Standby Preventative Maintenance Renewal Agreement Western States CAT, for maintenance and services on four generators at the City of Hailey, in the amount of \$39,637.86 ACTION ITEM.....
- ~~[CA 154](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2024-051, declaring the intention to add up to three resort city liquor licenses in the City of Hailey effective July 1, 2024 ACTION ITEM.....~~
- [CA 155](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2024-052, authorizing the Mayor to sign MOU with The Hunger Coalition and the Library this summer ACTION ITEM.....
- [CA 156](#) Motion to approve Resolution 2024-053, authorizing the Mayor’s signature on an agreement with GGLO in the amount not to exceed \$37,500,for design services related to the renovation of Hop Porter Park Phase 1: stage foundation and infrastructure. ACTION ITEM.....
- [CA 157](#) Motion to review the final edits to Resolution 2024-043, adopting The Locals for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) Incentive Program, and agreement between the City of Hailey and ARCH Community Housing Trust. ACTION ITEM.....
- ~~[CA 158](#) Motion to approve and authorize the Mayor’s signature on Resolution 2024-054, approving the Community Housing and Maintenance Agreements appurtenant the LIDO Apartment Homes project, by LIDO Equity Group—Idaho North, LLC, and located at Lots 1-14, Block 85, Parcel EE, Woodside Subdivision #24 and Lot~~

1, Block 67, Woodside Subdivision #18 (940 Winterhaven Drive) within the Limited Business (LB) Zoning District. ACTION ITEM.....

[CA 159](#) Motion to approve minutes of May 28, 2024 and to suspend reading of them ACTION ITEM.....

[CA 160](#) Motion to approve claims for expenses incurred during the month of May 2024, and claims for expenses due by contract in June, 2024 ACTION ITEM.....

Ca 150, pulled by Cone

Ca 158 pulled by Martinez

Ca 154 pulled by Thea

[5:32:05 PM](#) Martinez moved to approve all consent agenda items minus CA 150, CA 154 and CA 158, seconded by Thea. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Stone, yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes.

[5:32:17 PM](#) Cone handed out the agreement before meeting, it was not in the packet.

[5:32:42 PM](#) Martinez moves to approve CA 150, seconded by Stone. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Stone, yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes.

CA 154 [5:33:09 PM](#) Thea, [5:33:44 PM](#) moves to approve, Stone seconds, Motion passed with roll call vote; Martinez, yes. Thea, yes. Stone, yes. Husbands, yes.

[5:33:58 PM](#) CA 158, moved into LIDO apartments, want to recuse himself from this item.

[5:34:29 PM](#) Thea moves to approve CA 158 Husbands seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Stone, yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, recuses.

MAYOR’S REMARKS:

[5:34:56 PM](#) gave bios to the Heritage Court nominees at an event this last weekend. Juan Martinez, escorted Betty Brooks, this family was instrumental in keeping this city afloat.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

PP 161 HPD recognition

[5:36:15 PM](#) HPD, information is in the newsletter, don’t need a presentation tonight. Will have Shawna Wallace in the next meeting, she is retiring.

PP 162 IDWR recognition of Wastewater employee M. Race

[5:37:01 PM](#) apprenticeship program, Gary Sievers presents, Hailey is the poster child for this program. Asked for presentation on youtube. Sievers talks as the video is played. Hailey is one of 3 SBR, sequence batch reactor systems, do it all in one tank. Mike Race has completed 288 hours of training, 4 semesters, and 4,000 hours of on the job training with Bryson as his mentor. Sievers will present his diploma. IRWA takes a picture of Mike and Bryson with Mayor and council. Operations specialist class II diploma.

PP 163 Hailey Climate Action Plan Presentation

[5:48:28 PM](#) Emily Rodrigue presents the Hailey Climate Action Plan, both Emily's have been working on this plan. Strategic plan and policy guide, prioritize actions and provides road map, increases resilience to shockers. Blaine County is about to adopt a Climate Action Plan as other Idaho cities. There is a tremendous amount of federal funding for this topic right now.

Majority of respondents support sustainability. Goals, emissions inventory, last done in 2018, a lot has changed since then. New inventory is underway. Lastly, want a Hailey specific resource. Hailey staff feels like adopting its own plan is the best approach. Rodrigue reviews some areas of energy use in the last emissions inventory.

[6:01:06 PM](#) Rodrigue reviews the Climate Action Plan components and scope. We are in the middle of the timeline, just had an intern from Boise State start last week, unpaid intern, name is Alex, huge help. In the fall, will begin more community engagement. And in about 1 year, present new plan. Questions?

[6:03:38 PM](#) Burke has always been a leader in this, having curbside recycling many years ago.

[6:04:08 PM](#) Stone, reasons why we have lack of participation? Yes, we have challenges in participation, answers Rodrigue. Stone, seems odd to leave the airport out of this data. Burke, we have that for the airport, it is measured differently. Rodrigue, have been working with Chris Pomeroy 2022 study. Burke is asking Pomeroy to install solar panels on the Eccles property to help.

APPOINTMENTS AND AWARDS:

AA 164 *Nomination of Brian McCue to serve as on Hailey Urban Renewal Agency Board with Hailey Resolution 2024-055, to complete the term of retiring board member Walt Denekas through December 31, 2025 ACTION ITEM*

[6:11:49 PM](#) URA vacancy, retiring Walt Denekas. Mayor Burke gives a summary of URA and the partnership with City of Hailey. Horowitz and Mayor Burke met Brian McCue at an event for Hop Porter Park.

[6:14:36 PM](#) **Thea moves to approve Resolution 2024-055, seconded by Martinez, remainder of term through 2025. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Stone, yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PH 165 *Consideration of a City-Initiated Infrastructure Project pursuant to Title 18, Mobility Design, an infrastructure project consisting of the proposed design and plans for construction of the Broadford Road multimodal pathway located on the eastern side of Broadford Road, between Cedar Street and Colorado Gulch Road. Construction commencement is planned for late summer 2024 ACTION ITEM*

[6:15:29 PM](#) Mayor Burke, after presentation will take public comments and will ask everyone to limit comments to 3 minutes each.

[6:16:36 PM](#) Yeager will present this item, pathway project has been long contemplated, several components of the pathway have been completed. Tonight is presented a concept of this Broadford Road pathway along East side of Broadford and loop through WRLT pathway. The goal for this pathway, 2 sections, Cedar Street to Aviation Drive and then Aviation to Colorado Gulch Road. Yeager shows the demolition phase first and then shows via the presentation where the pathway would run along and past a few residential homes along Broadford Road.

[6:31:30 PM](#) Yeager then shows an alternate pathway around Bilger's property. Starlight subdivision is eager to start construction soon. Questions of council?

[6:33:34 PM](#) Stone, connection to path? Bike path on River to here? Yeager, not right now, would want one in the future. Entryway to airport condos? Is that new? Yeager responds, existing road, yes.

[6:36:44 PM](#) Thea, how wide is the pathway? Yeager, changes, 8-foot pathway as drawn.

Public comments:

[6:38:51 PM](#) Stephen Daniels, resident of 830 Broadford Road. Daniels reads his statement, wife is 5th generation resident. States that they were not notified of this pathway project. Daniels has proposed an alternate path on Queen of the Hills drive. Would like to have 5 questions answered in writing.

[6:49:28 PM](#) Bill Miles speaking, the path as proposed in the agenda, north of house 71 Broadford rd. Would you like a bike path running across your front lawn.

[6:52:39 PM](#) Matt Engel, 101 E. Bullion, Engel and Associates, manage many businesses. Maintenance along the berm and parcel A, met with city staff on his concerns, repairs need to be done, modify to not spray on the bike path. There is a main line along parcel A, all tied together, want to make sure they can maintain this in airport west and have discussed with staff. Haven't had any negative feedback from owners.

[6:56:10 PM](#) Cone adds would like to have this path, have teenagers that ride bikes and would like to see this for a safety issue.

[6:56:50 PM](#) Mayor Burke, want to make a place that is safe for bikers and cars. How do we make it safe for all.

[6:57:52 PM](#) Kathleen Daniels, don't have a problem with the path, have a problem with where you are putting the path. Would need to build a brick wall to keep the exhaust out if you remove the trees. Daniels just does not want her trees to be taken out.

[7:01:42 PM](#) Stone's grandparents owned this house. Feels there is a bit of a safety concern. Agrees, bike paths are safer. Would like to look at connecting River and Broadford Road. More public outreach, are we ready to put large amounts of bikes on this path, is this ready?

[7:04:25 PM](#) Martinez asks, process for public outreach. Yeager, did mailing notice, not 300 ft. notice, and explained this process. Davis, confirms, all people adjacent to property were notified.

[7:08:13 PM](#) Martinez has concerns with Cedar and Broadford.

[7:09:52 PM](#) Chief England, adds traffic on Main morning and evening. Have received more and more complaints on Broadford Road. Could see all the cars filtering down Broadford Rd. Will continue to work with Sheriff's office on Broadford road traffic.

[7:12:06 PM](#) Yeager, bike and pedestrians are already on Broadford Rd. if council wishes, we can stop at the phase 1 spot. We are going out for Master plan for URA district, airport way, would include, Cedar/Main Street intersection would be included in the public focus groups for this new district. Yeager gives council a few options on how to proceed.

[7:15:38 PM](#) Simms, could also, continue to a date certain to give time for further discussion.

[7:16:10 PM](#) Thea, how do you feel about completing the path not to the corner. Yeager, doesn't change much.

[7:18:54 PM](#) Stone comments about users on Broadford.

[7:21:10 PM](#) Burke would like to continue this discussion.

[7:21:48 PM](#) Thea would like to see the bike path and would like to have a workshop.

[7:22:53 PM](#) Husbands agrees with council comments.

[7:23:40 PM](#) Yeager proposes workshop june 27th, council meeting july 8th/

[7:24:03 PM](#) **Martinez moves to continue July 8, seconded by Thea. Motion passed with roll call vote; Husbands, yes. Stone, yes. Thea, yes. Martinez, yes.**

NEW BUSINESS:

NB 166 Discussion of a contract for services with the Blaine County Charitable Foundation to provide relief for municipal utility bills based on determinate of need from the BCCF ACTION ITEM

[7:25:43 PM](#) Horowitz will kick off this item. Simms and Mary Fauth will discuss also. Simms drafted.

[7:27:36 PM](#) Mary Fauth, Director of Blaine County Charitable Foundation, utility assistance, rent, in times of crisis. Many people are living paycheck to paycheck.

[7:32:23 PM](#) number 4, detail will be added next time it is presented to council.

Stone asked if the 8% is sufficient. Discussion generally about this topic.

Thea loves this solution.

Simms, planned for adoption in the next meeting.

STAFF REPORTS:

[7:38:24 PM](#) Chief Baledge, last Tuesday, approx. 30-35 propylene glycol spilled 4:45 pm, 45 minutes to clean up, coordinated effort for emergency services, heated sidewalks, floors, unsecured load, damned up storm drain, do a dry clean up on it and finished with street sweeper. Car crashed into a building today, displaced a wall, Merriwether Building.

[7:40:56 PM](#) Robyn Davis, AHPC, refurbished phone booths on Main Street, phones are installed, press number, plays a historical story, 1 of 10. Arts Commission plans a celebration later this summer around this project. Unveiling flower project this week.

[7:42:36 PM](#) **Martinez moves to adjourn, Thea seconds, motion passed.**