

**MINUTES
PAYETTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
July 7, 2008**

7:00 Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Payette City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Henderson in the City Council Chambers of Payette City Hall, 700 Center Avenue.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Henderson, Ivan Mussell, Jeff Williams, Mark Heleker, Georgia Hanigan, Lee Nelson, Les Cochran

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Street Supervisor Willie Hollis; Police Captain Dave Platt; Mary Cordova, City Coordinator/Clerk; Tiffany Howell Utility Clerk; Randy Schwartz, WWTP Superintendent; Chief Jeff Sands, Payette Fire Department

PLEDGE

Mayor Henderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Hanigan to amend the agenda to include a Special Events Permit as Item F in New Business.

After a unanimous voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Heleker moved and Williams seconded a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of 06/16/2008 with one noted change.

After a unanimous voice vote by the Council, the motion CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF BILLS & PAYROLL

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Cochran to approve the City Bills & Payroll in the amount of \$354,388.98 contingent upon the approval and review of the finance committee.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Nelson, Mussell, Hanigan, Williams, Heleker, Cochran

Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

SPECIAL ORDERS

None Heard.

COMMUNICATIONS

None heard.

PLANNING & ZONING

None heard.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 1295 - An Ordinance of the City of Payette, Idaho, Amending Sections 13.04.100, 13.04.250 (A), and 13.08.090 (B) of the Payette Municipal Code to Allow Charges for Owner Requested Meter Relocation, to Adjust the Utility Account Deposit Fee, and to Provide for a Utility Account Delinquent Charge; Setting an Effective Date; Establishing Severability; Allowing for Publication by Summary; Establishing a Repealer; Establishing a Penalty

~ Third Reading

Heleker moved and Hanigan seconded a motion to introduce Ordinance 1295 by Title Only.

After a unanimous voice vote by the Council, the motion CARRIED.

Councilor Hanigan stated that she is satisfied as the way it is written.

Councilor Mussell thinks \$125 is way to excessive for our community especially with the economy the way it is. Councilor Mussell wants to go on record saying "He is not in favor of raising it".

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Hanigan to approve Ordinance 1295 on its Third Reading.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Nelson, Hanigan, Williams, Heleker, Cochran

Nays: Mussell

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Hanigan that Ordinance 1295 Do Pass.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Nelson, Hanigan, Williams, Heleker, Cochran

Nays: Mussell

The motion CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion to Award Bid for WWTP Dump Truck to Lake City

Mayor Henderson stated that contrary to what was written in your agenda it will be a lease purchase instead of a financed loan if approved. The City received 2 bids to replace the Wastewater Department Sludge Truck. The replacement of this truck was a Council approved expense in the 2008 budget. The truck is to be purchased on a lease finance basis. Lake City was lowest bid that met all the specifications at \$131,865. We would ask for the Council's approval to accept this bid, and to obtain the vehicle on a lease purchase agreement contingent on Mr. Osborn's approval.

Councilor Williams asked what did we budget, and how much the lease will be. Mayor Henderson stated that we have not worked out the lease purchase agreement yet, we reminded ourselves that we usually purchase these vehicles on a lease purchase basis. Mayor Henderson stated we could bring this back to the Council next meeting. We would just like to get this bid approved because the truck takes 90 days after it's ordered.

Councilor Nelson asked what makes the trucks so special. Randy Schwartz stated that he has never had a brand new dump truck. It is a regular dump truck, and it has a specialized bed on it like the modified grain trucks that open on top. Councilor Williams asked if we are hauling sludge 12 months out of the year. Mr. Schwartz stated yes. Councilor Cochran asked how long the truck will last. Mr. Schwartz stated 20 years; we have had our current used truck for 25 years. We will keep the old sludge truck as stand by.

Councilor Williams asked why we are buying brand new when we can buy a used one. Mayor Henderson stated this will be around for 25 years if we take care of it, if we buy one that is 20 years old it might be good for another 5 years. Councilor Hanigan asked what the availability is of used equipment. Mr. Schwartz stated there is used equipment, but the problem is that you have to reconfigure your axle radius on the back to fit the bed we have. Councilor Hanigan asked if there was any out there that already meet our needs. Mr. Schwartz stated no. Councilor Nelson asked if you found a good truck could you put a new bed on it. Mr. Schwartz stated you have to reconfigure your exhaust to meet the new requirements.

Councilor Williams asked if we have other alternatives other than buying a new one. Mayor Henderson stated there are always other options. Councilor Williams stated he would like to see other options. Councilor Heleker asked if we buy this new truck will we have to make any modifications. Clerk Cordova stated it already meets all the requirements for exhaust. Ms. Cordova stated it was discussed and approved by the Council during the last fiscal year. Council Williams and Councilor Heleker stated they would like to see other options.

B. Motion to Award Industrial Wastewater Pretreatment Feasibility Study to HDR

Mayor Henderson stated that Seneca foods was exploring the need for pre-treatment of their waste to help save them some money, as far as us being able to handle their waste a full capacity. This would create a situation where they wouldn't put as much of a load

on our plant, and they would be able to expand. Mayor Henderson said the State of Idaho has stepped up with a \$500,000 grant and there should be no money out of our pockets for this project. Councilor Heleker stated for 6 years we have been looking at pre-treating down there, and hearing there is no cost to us it is a good thing.

Mussell moved and Cochran seconded a motion to approve the bid for the Wastewater Pretreatment Feasibility Study to HDR.

Councilor Nelson asked if this was put out as an RFP. Mayor Henderson stated yes.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Nelson, Mussell, Hanigan, Williams, Heleker, Cochran

Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

C. Appointment of Member to Snake River Transit Authority and Consideration of Request for Fiscal Contribution

Mayor Henderson stated we have been asked to appoint a member to the Snake River Transit Authority.

Heleker moved and Cochran seconded a motion to appoint Councilor Williams to the Snake River Transit Authority.

After a unanimous voice vote by the Council, the motion CARRIED.

Councilor Williams stated he would be glad to take the appointment.

Mayor Henderson stated they would like us to make a statement of intent to participate in this program and appropriate our \$15,000 annual share. They came and gave us a presentation a month and a half ago, and gave us an introduction of the program as a whole. All we are doing is saying it is our intent to budget this amount for this project for the new fiscal year

Heleker moved and Mussell seconded a motion to state our intent to participate and appropriate \$15,000 as our annual share in the Snake River Transit Authority Program contingent on participation by other local government entities.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Nelson, Mussell, Hanigan, Williams, Heleker, Cochran

Nays:

D. Authorization to Purchase Financial and Payroll Software from Black Mountain Software

Clerk Cordova stated that this year we have purchased the Utility Billing and Cash Receipting programs from Black Mountain Software. We feel we will be able to generate more revenue.

We would like to move our financial and payroll software. We have found monies to buy the software that costs \$21,000. Ms. Cordova stated the software company will be doing all the conversion, and it would be nice to go through this now. We would not be charged a maintenance fee until 2010. Ms. Cordova stated in the 2007 budget we did not budget the revenue from the sanitation fund, and the same thing happened for the 2008 budget. Ms Cordova stated she asked the auditor and the auditor confirmed it. Mayor Henderson stated this would be more than enough to cover the cost of the program.

Hanigan moved and Williams seconded a motion to authorize the purchase of the Financial & Payroll Software from Black Mountain Software.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Nelson, Mussell, Hanigan, Williams, Heleker, Cochran

Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

E. Appointment of New Library Board Member

Mussell moved and Hanigan seconded a motion to appoint Steven Fleming to the Library Board for the remainder of the term of Lynette Groh.

After a unanimous voice vote by the Council, the motion CARRIED.

F. Special Events Permit for Valley Family Health Care

Cochran moved and Heleker seconded a motion to approve the Special Events Permit for Valley Family Health Care.

After a unanimous voice vote by the Council, the motion CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

None heard.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Councilor Williams asked what the status was on the Green belt. Clerk Cordova stated there is no update, it is still closed. Councilor Williams stated he was caught off guard this afternoon when Mr. Weaver called stating there was an issue

Robert Weaver 1107 River St-

The problem was 2 or 3 weeks ago there was a family walking down the Green Belt, and the Green Belt has eroded and the bank has fallen in. A little girl slipped and lost her bike, and Mr. Weaver's son saved her. He would like a more stable Green Belt. Right now it is a hazard. Councilor Williams stated our hands are tied, but it will be part of our next budget.

Captain Platt stated a gal jumped off the rope swing and suffered a compound fracture above her ankle. Mr. Weaver stated to solve the problem we should cut off the two limbs that the rope swing is tied to. Mrs. Weaver stated he was the one who put up the concrete posts. They have been trying to work with Chuck Kinney, but nothing has been done. The Weaver family is more than willing to help. Mr. Weaver stated he has been working on this, and finally has gotten some wildlife to come back. Mayor Henderson stated we need to establish some kind of policy out there.

Councilor Mussell stated he was called about a citizen complaint regarding the pool. Councilor Mussell said the lady said every time she goes down to the pool there is never an adult life guard down there. Stuff is coming up missing, and there is hardly anyone behind the counter. There was a young girl with a baby walking behind the counter, not in uniform. Councilor Mussell stated we should have someone 18 or older in charge. Councilor Mussell stated he would like to know more about that the pool issue.

Councilor Mussell asked who is running the tree committee. Mayor Henderson stated that Randy Fales was appointed to the Tree Committee last meeting.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- ❑ Spoke with Dick Miller regarding the Payette Airpark Assoc; the sales agreement for the property south of the Airport has been reviewed by their attorney and we should have a copy of the agreement in the next couple of days. They are currently working through some financial issues. They don't think this something that is going to stop them, they just have to dot a couple more l's and cross a couple more T's.
- ❑ The AIC annual conference was last week June 23rd - 27th. Councilor Heleker, Clerk Cordova and Mayor Henderson attended the complete conference, and Councilor Hanigan and Cochran took advantages of portions of the conference. It was informative and beneficial to all.
- ❑ Next meeting will be July 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilor Heleker and seconded by Councilor Mussell to adjourn.

After a unanimous voice vote, the motion CARRIED, and the Council adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

DOUGLAS E. HENDERSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Cordova, City Clerk