

PAYETTE CITY COUNCIL
Work Session & Special Meeting
March 14, 2011

5:15 PM – Work Session

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Jeff Williams, Katherine Dodson, Georgia Hanigan, Les Cochran, Ivan Mussell, Mark Heleker (arrived 5:28 p.m.)

Members Absent: Lee Nelson was excused

Staff Present: Mary Cordova, City Coordinator; Jamie Couch, Street Supervisor; Doug Argo, City Engineer; Mark Clark, Chief of Police; Jennifer Kelley, Human Resources; Becky Lynch Utility Clerk

OLD BUSINESS

None Heard.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion of Oil and Gas Drilling in Payette County:** This general discussion started off with a background by Mayor Williams explaining that Bridge Energy is drilling for natural gas in Payette County; stating that the big challenge here is protecting our delineation zones for city water. He personally doesn't like the idea of someone coming in and drilling for natural gas within our delineation zones and contaminating the water. Featured at the meeting from New Plymouth; Beau Ziemer, Water Superintendent; and Joe Cook, Mayor of New Plymouth, came to educate the council members on what the City of New Plymouth has gone through and also on what the drillers have done and what they plan on doing. City Clerk Mary Cordova mentioned that with the City of New Plymouth, the public water infrastructure is extremely expensive. Mr. Ziemer led most all of the discussion; he stated that these drillers have drilled 11 wells, one of them might have been in Payette off of Killebrew and he believes that they did not find gas in that well. Mr. Ziemer went on to say that the State is going to create a rule on drilling and hydro fracturing, this rule doesn't take into account any public health, public safety or aesthetics, that will be up to the local government and jurisdictions. This general discussion's main focus is that there is a need of having rules set up for these drillers. The City of New Plymouth is also asking for a letter of support from the City of Payette on the matter. Mayor Williams would like to provide the City of New Plymouth with a letter of support. Mayor Williams would also like to see encouragement from the county to jump on board, as well as working on ordinances to protect our delineation zones.
- B. Discussion of Aviation Fuel at the Airport:** Mayor Williams asked Clerk Cordova, what other cities do around here as far as the economics of the aviation fuel at the airport. Clerk Cordova stated that at the Airport meeting last Tuesday, they had purchased a 3,000 gallon split fuel tank from the City of Chubbuck; the issue is who is going to sell the fuel? Is the City going to get into the fuel business, or are we handing it to the FBO. The Airport Commission's recommendation to the city council was to have the city run it at first. Clerk Cordova explained that the difference in fuel price is 3-8 cents on the gallon if they want to hand it to someone else to run it, or 50 cents on the gallon if the council ran it themselves. So the question before the council is, do we want to get into the fuel business? Councilor Dodson stated that she wants the council to run it themselves if it is truly going to be a card lock system. She further explained it would make a profit for the airport and improve the revenue. Councilor Heleker stated that the council has gone through trying to find an FBO in

the past; the likely way to go is to run it from a city standpoint. He further explained that this would be a source of funds for the city and by not having to go the FBO route would be the best way to go. Mayor Williams told the council that we would need to have an enterprise fund for the airport, and someone would need to go out and check the tank regularly for upkeep. Clerk Cordova explained that all of this is still a work in progress. In the past couple of days she has learned that they may not be able to put two different types of fuel in the tank, due to the main vendor who splits the load between the different cities, it is inexpensive, but they won't even touch a split tank if they don't have the same type of fuel in both sides because they would not be able to guarantee the separation in the tank. The Airport Commissioners do not know of this particular information yet. Also, Clerk Cordova stated that a card lock system has been donated, but it is not in compliance so that is an issue as well. Councilor Mussell asked if we have the fuel tank in our possession in town, and Clerk Cordova said no, not yet. Mayor Williams wants to proceed with the general consensus to create a general enterprise fund and selling the fuel ourselves to start with.

- C. Sign in Bancroft Park—Meals on Wheels:** Meals on Wheels is a benefit luncheon for the Senior Citizen Center. The Center wants to place an A-frame sign in Bancroft Park which is going to be up for one day. According to Clerk Cordova, the sign is an off premise sign and wanted to present this item to the council so they know what is going on when they see it set up. Mayor Williams stated, I guess that's okay, and proceeded with the discussion of Bancroft Park.
- D. Discussion on Bancroft Park:** Mayor Williams brought up that 4 or 5 months ago they had an idea of putting movies on the wall which went a little out of control. Just Recently Lori Steineker, the Special Ed teacher, called Mayor Williams on his cell phone and she told him that Michelle Stoneman, from McCain Middle School, was in charge of the idea of wanting to paint that wall. When Mayor Williams brought this up on the agenda, Councilor Heleker and High School students wanted to do this as a youth project as well. Mayor Williams said we aren't talking about movies; we are talking about the beautification of Bancroft Park. Councilor Heleker discussed that they need to bring the two entities together. The Youth Advisory Committee has been working on finding a muralist. The Youth Advisory Committee has solicited prices from a few different people in the nearby area, such as the Caldwell-Nampa area and trying to touch bases with muralists in Vale. Councilor Heleker also stated the teachers are jumping on it trying to get ahead of the project, and we need to rope them back in and make it a united front. The students are hoping to utilize the teacher's efforts to be part of this and looking to the City to match some funds to get this project started. Councilor Mussell asked is it the funds from the Youth Advisory Committee budget that is in hopes of being matched. Councilor Heleker replied, yes, the 2,000 dollars in the Youth Advisory Committee, or any money that the students can raise; if we can get 2-4,000 dollars we can do some great work on the side of the building.
- E. General Discussion:** Mayor Williams opened the discussion over Adopt a Highway out in the county. He went on to say that you don't usually see that within the city limits. Sometimes Mayor Williams jogs to his office and he has noticed that Highway 95 could use a little clean up. Mayor Williams would like to take some time, perhaps make it a city official's cleanup day during one afternoon. He would like the clean up to be from 6th Ave South to the Y. The Council discussed that a Saturday within the next couple of months would be a good day to do it. Mayor Williams was ready to wrap up the meeting to adjourn but Councilor Cochran had a little information to share with the Council. He and his wife were walking the green belt Wednesday

afternoon, and had expressed that, "there was not a dog turd on there". Mayor Williams then brought up that he as well went down to the green belt two Sunday's in a row and he did see some doggy defecation on the pavement. This last Sunday, he took his dog down there and his dog did defecate on the pavement and he did pick it up.

The work session ended at 6:29 PM

Immediately Following Work Session – Special City Council Meeting

A special meeting of the Payette City Council was called to order at 6:29 PM by Mayor Williams in the City Council Chambers of Payette City Hall, 700 Center Avenue.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Williams, Katherine Dodson, Les Cochran, Mark Heleker, Ivan Mussell, Georgia Hanigan

Members Absent: Lee Nelson

Staff Present: Mary Cordova, City Clerk; Becky Lynch, Utility Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION ~ Pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(1c), the City Council will recess into executive session to conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by the public agency.

At 6:29 PM Heleker moved and Mussell seconded a motion to recess into Executive Session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (1c), to conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by the public agency.

At 6:45 PM the Council reconvened into regular session.

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Hanigan to sign the professional services agreement between Negotiation Services LLC and the City of Payette to conduct negotiations for the Iowa street improvement project.

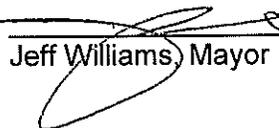
The motion CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mussel and seconded by Cochran to adjourn to at 6:45 PM.

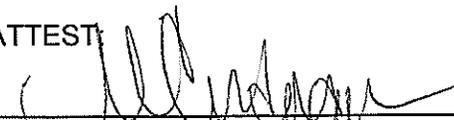
The motion CARRIED.

Signed this 21st day of March, 2011.



Jeff Williams, Mayor

ATTEST



Mary Cordova, City Clerk

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