

**PAYETTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
October 18, 2010**

6:30 – Public Hearing

A Public Hearing of the Payette City Council was called to order at 6:33 PM by Mayor Williams in the City Council Chambers of Payette City Hall, 700 Center Avenue.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with Idaho Code 63-1311A, by the City of Payette, Idaho, that the Payette City Council will meet at 6:30 PM on October 18, 2010, at Payette City Council Chambers, 700 Center Avenue, Payette, Idaho, to consider public comment regarding the institution of new or increased fees pertaining to itinerant merchant application fees, beer and wine licensing fees, and municipal pool rates. Information about the proposed rates and changes may be obtained from the office of the City Clerk at City Hall during regular business hours.

Mayor Williams asked for a presentation as to why these fees are being raised and the justification. Clerk Cordova stated the City Council has asked administration to look at ways to increase revenue. We have not raised fees since 07, but for the past few years we have been saying we are going to look at our fees, and now we have. Tonight we have the pool fees which are from the direction of the Parks and Recreation Committee. We are also looking at itinerant merchant and beer and wine fees. We have always just charged for beer and liquor and the surrounding cities have separate charges for beer, wine, and liquor. Mayor Williams asked if we could go through the different cities. We have been charging \$600 for liquor, but we are asking to lower that to \$562.50 to be comparative to our neighboring cities. Beer on premise would be \$200, beer off would be \$50, wine on would be \$100 and wine off would be \$50. Mayor Williams asked if any members of the public would like to talk to about any other fees besides the beer, wine, and liquor. No one was present to speak. Clerk Cordova stated that golf courses are a special circumstance and they only have to pay \$300.

Mayor Williams asked if we had any submitted letters regarding the increase at the pool and the itinerant merchants. Clerk Cordova stated no. Councilor Hanigan stated that she had a call from a citizen that asked if they needed to come and she said that it was the same rates as the surrounding cities. Mayor Williams stated that he had a call from Alan Pollock from Meechan's stating that he was busy tonight, but he was concerned about increased fees cut into his profits, and he was a smoking establishment and he expressed concern about increasing fees.

Mayor Williams stated that Middleton, Fruitland, Caldwell, Eagle, Weiser, Nampa, and Boise charge \$200 and the City of Payette has been charging \$100. Beer off premises the cities above all charge \$50 and the City of Payette has been charging \$25. Wine off premise,s Middleton, \$100, Fruitland, \$100, Caldwell, Nampa, Weiser, all \$200, and the City of Payette has not been charging anything. Wine on premises varies, but the City of Payette has been charging zero.

Danny Roe – 297 No 20th St; Payette, ID -

Mr. Roe asked what the state percentage is of the liquor license. How long have we charged it? If there was a limit of 75% of what the state charges haven't we been charged more? Is there a chance of getting it back? Clerk Cordova stated that the Council is the people to ask. Mr. Roe stated that I'm sure it's tough and everyone is tightening their belts and my father having his business paid off this is

going to cut into his small profit range. We would like to see it lowered and I'm sure that is not going to happen any time soon, and I'm sure it would best to leave it the same. I am curious why a golf course and a ski resort get discounts. Clerk Cordova stated that it is set by state statute. Danny stated that he and Chief Clark have been rounds and rounds on how minors can get away with it on a golf course. Councilor Dodson stated that it covers the premise and the entire part of the golf course. Mr. Roe asked if minors can be around liquor. Councilor Dodson stated that minors can be in the restaurant but cannot sit at the bar.

Chuck Roe – Joe's Club –

Mr. Roe stated that he has bought a liquor license in Payette for 40 years. The laws have been the same about the 75% fee since I have been here. Idaho is trying to support wine, but if you keep charging more for licenses this isn't going to support it, but in the liquor business you expect anything. What are we going to use as a tax base if you run them all out. I realize that everyone is hurting for money but I think you guys need to ease up. If I didn't have everything paid for I would close the bar, you are beating your brains out for nothing, and I don't see any other bar owners so maybe they have packed up and went home. Mayor Williams asked if you pay the \$562.50 are you still paying for the beer license too. Mr. Roe stated that it is included right now. Mayor Williams stated that we are at the limit with what the state is charging, we are just going back a little bit as far as liquor goes. Mr. Roe stated that I think there was a limit for beer but not for wine. I cannot imagine the State of Idaho trying to not promote wine. Councilor Hanigan asked if you buy a liquor license do you have to purchase a wine and beer license. Clerk Cordova stated that no you will have to buy all three. Councilor Cochran asked how long we have been collecting \$600. Mr. Roe stated over 40 years I can tell you that and beer and wine have always been together.

Public Hearing Closed at 6:55 pm.

7:00 PM – Regular Meeting

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

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Jeff Williams, Katherine Dodson, Georgia Hanigan, Mark Heleker, Lee Nelson, Les Cochran

Members Absent: Ivan Mussell

Staff Present: Mary Cordova, City Coordinator/Clerk; Dave Platt, Police Captain; Tiffany Howell, Utility Clerk; Mark Clark, Police Chief; Randy Schwartz, Wastewater Supervisor; Doug Argo, City Engineer

PLEDGE

Mayor Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None were heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made Heleker and seconded by Hanigan to approve the regular meeting minutes of 10/04/2010 as written.

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS & PAYROLL

A motion was made by Dodson and seconded by Hanigan to approve the City Bills & Payroll in the amount of \$188,626.48.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Hanigan, Dodson, Cochran, Heleker, Nelson

Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

SPECIAL ORDERS

None Heard.

COMMUNICATIONS

None Heard.

PLANNING & ZONING

None Heard

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Payette Sports Boosters – Lynda Pollock

Lisa Novotny, Lynda Pollock, and Janice Mackey were present. Mrs. Novotny stated that their most current project was the activity center at the high school, if you haven't been to the high school to see the sponsor list please stop by and check it out. We also helped with the scoreboard that way every function that was held there had an accurate score board. Right now we are working on the 5 plex soccer fields behind the McCain Middle School. Mrs. Pollock stated that right now it is looking really good, we have grass and currently have paid for the concrete on the full size baseball field, and it is a replica of a pro dug out. We have done lots of other things; we do help the school and are gate administrators. We helped the museum by paying for some of the food and helped catered that. We are trying to help the community so if there is anything you want help with just ask.

Mayor Williams asked if there was any thought on the movie on the wall in Bancroft park. Mrs. Pollock stated that we are willing to do anything to help, but not sure how to start. Mayor Williams contacted the owner of Keystone Pizza and asked if there was an organization that wanted to set something like this up would it be ok and he was ok with that. We could have vendors, charge a fee, maybe you don't or have an organization sell things there, but it's going to take some organization to do that. I would think it would be more conducive to a summer thing, you want people that run the projector and so on, and we just need to do something to provide more of a family atmosphere around here. Councilor Heleker stated that Meridian does something like this

in there town and it is like a uniting of the community. Councilor Nelson asked if we have to pay copyright if we play the movie.

Mrs. Novotny stated that we are here to help and have a good core group of people, and we do things at the schools and all over the communities. If we can help make things better we are all for that. Mayor Williams stated the HWY 52 remembrance thing was a huge thing for you guys to help with. Mrs. Novotny stated that a lot of their money comes from the concessions and Lynda has been really great at writing grants. We just saw the banners on HWY 52 and Wayne and it looks great! Mayor Williams stated that Jamie and himself went around and found location spots for the banners. Mayor Williams stated that the City bought eight to get the ball rolling. Lynda stated that she would like someone from the City to call her regarding the placing of the signs and we received a grant from ICB and there only request is that it goes by the high school.

B. Historical Committee – Vision for City of Payette 2050 -

Ann Curtis – Payette Historical Museum

Ms. Curtis stated that what we are trying to do is get our information in the 2010 Idaho Cities and Profiles. We need your help with the 50 year look into the future and we came up with some things and mine was way off the way, but Mary Mejia's was more in tune. Don Belvoir always gives his kids this quiz sheet on Payette and we wanted you to help us pick some to go into the book. Mayor Williams asked if anyone has questions about the history of Payette. Councilor Heleker asked how many pages we get in the book. Ms. Curtis stated 10 pages, but that includes history, pictures, and the quiz.

C. Extension of Hangar Lease – Robert Griffiths – South Hangar -

A motion was made Dodson and seconded by Heleker to extend the lease for Robert Griffiths until December 31, 2010.

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

D. Approval of Contract with MTI for Inspection Services at New Fire Station -

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Nelson to approve the contract with MTI for services at the new fire station not to exceed \$4,781.00.

At the roll call:

Ayes: Hanigan, Dodson, Cochran, Heleker, Nelson

Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A.** Payette Police Department – September Statistics
- B.** Treasurer's Office – Worker's Comp Premiums

MAYORS COMMENTS

1. Walt Minnick came to Payette on Saturday and walked thru the new fire station site with us.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None Heard.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Dodson to adjourn to executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(1)(b) at 8:00 PM.

The motion CARRIED.

The meeting re-convened into regular session at 8:10 PM.

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Nelson to adjourn to at 8:10 PM.

The motion CARRIED.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Jeff Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Cordova, City Clerk