

**MINUTES
PAYETTE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION & SPECIAL MEETING
July 12, 2010**

5:15 PM – Work Session & Special Meeting

A work session of the Payette City Council was called to order at 5:15 PM by Mayor Williams in the City Council Chambers of Payette City Hall, 700 Center Avenue.

ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent: Lee Nelson

Staff Present: Mary Cordova, City Coordinator/Clerk; Bobbie Black, Deputy City Clerk; Mark Clark, Police Chief

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A. USDA, Rural Development

~ Craig Thurgood, Community Programs Specialist: Mr. Thurgood addressed the Council. He works for USDA and is currently working on the loan and grant for the library improvements. The notice of pre-application review was submitted and the City is eligible for assistance. He stated a \$400,000 grant might be possible. This is all part of the stimulus package and has a few strings attached to it. There are 3 levels of interest rates available and 4% is the lowest and that is what we would get for this project. He handed information out to the Council. He talked about Build America Bonds to the Council. He stated that if the bond does not pass we lose the grant. Mr. Thurgood stated there are no guarantees on the grant money, the money can be pulled back in and then everyone has a chance at it. There is a good chance we can get our money and use it within our State; if we don't take this someone else will get the money. John Held from the Library Board addressed the Council. He stated that on a \$104,000 home, the taxes would be about \$10.00 a year. The Board is putting flyers in the water bills and doing a phone solicitation. Mary Cordova addressed the Council. She stated that the operating expense will increase around 50% of what they are now. It is around a 9% increase to the budget, and with the rebate on the interest if received could be used to offset the increased expenses if the Library Commission chooses to do that.

B. Highway 52 Scenic Byway Committee Update: A power point was presented to the Council on the Byway. This would promote scenic byways of Idaho, focusing more on historical and recreation along Highway 52. The biggest criteria is that all jurisdictions must agree. Shawn Charters explained about the funding and corridor management plan. It is funded 80% by the Federal government and 20% by the local jurisdictions. Our share of the 20% can be cash or in-kind resources. Ann Curtis showed pictures of historic buildings in the City and historical information. The Council thanked the Committee for being allowed to show where the project is and the progress that has been made. They asked if a letter of support was needed and Ms. Charters stated yes. Centennial Park will be the beginning of the byway.

C. Third Avenue South Trailer Park: Fred McCleran came in and spoke to the Mayor & City Clerk. He wants to purchase the trailer park on Third Avenue South. He was given a list of the items that would need to be brought up to code. He will not own the trailers. The Council received a letter from the Fire Chief that addressed safety issues. The Council discussed that the task at hand is, do we allow some compromise on this or do we go by the book and make him bring the park up to code? Let's see what he is willing to do and put the liability on the owner. The Council would like to get legal opinion on this and Safety issues should be the first priority.

D. Cruise Night: Mayor Williams told the Council that Jim Boyer came and talked to him about Cruise Night in September. He stated that last year the Council waived the special events permit fee and several years

ago the City donated \$500 towards the events. The Council discussed that they would like to help to keep it going and make it a success.

- E. SAGE ~ Update of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS): Postponed until next meeting.

Mayor's Informational Points to Council:

The Mayor stated that the City is a member of the Payette Chamber of Commerce and since the Payette and Fruitland Chambers are thinking about merging, he asked the Council what their feelings were on this. The Council discussed the issue and felt that they should not be merged.

Chief Clark briefed the Council on the fire at 1300 North 9th Street, #34. He stated that 4 pipe bombs with a propane tank were outside the home. There was a written door message that it was dangerous to enter the home. There was also a related second call at C & T Storage for a pickup fire in the County and the third call was about a nude person running down Highway 95. The person is in custody for indecent exposure.

SPECIAL MEETING ~ Immediately Following Work Session

ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent: Lee Nelson

Staff Present: Mary Cordova, City Coordinator/Clerk; Bobbie Black, Deputy City Clerk; Mark Clark, Police Chief

NEW BUSINESS

A. Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Right of Way Negotiators, Inc.: Mary Cordova explained that the negation and appraisal services are sent to ITD and right now they are way too busy to evaluate and if an outside person is not hired it would put the project for Iowa Avenue off till 2020. This can be carried under the current agreement with Right of Way Negotiators, Inc. and can be reimbursed through ITD. Councilor Heleker made a motion to approve the amendment to the professional services agreement with Right of Way Negotiators, Inc. The motion was seconded by Councilor Mussell

At the roll call:

Ayes: Mussell, Hanigan, Dodson, Cochran, & Heleker

Nays:

The motion CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Dodson to adjourn the meeting at 6:45PM.

The motion CARRIED.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Jeff Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Cordova, City Clerk