

PAYETTE CITY COUNCIL
Work Session & Special Meeting
March 28, 2011

5:15 PM – Work Session

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Jeff Williams, Katherine Dodson, Georgia Hanigan, Les Cochran, Ivan Mussell (late 5:36 p.m.), Mark Heleker (late 5:32 p.m.)

Members Absent: None

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

OLD BUSINESS

None Heard.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion on Adams Property—Sell, Rent, or Keep:** The City Council discussed the Adams property which is located near the sewer plant on River Street. Mayor Williams asked if we should hang on to it, and it was about time we talked about it. The general consensus was to keep the property for now and not worry about selling it or renting it.
- B. Discussion on City Code—6.04 Animals and Poultry:** Ann Curtis was featured for this discussion, but she was under the impression that chickens were not allowed within the City limits. **Chapter 6.04.090 states it is unlawful for any person to keep any chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys or other poultry within the city limits, except the same shall be confined within a shed or other enclosure sufficient to retain the same and prevent them from trespassing upon the streets, alleys and other property within the city limits.** With this in mind, the council then discussed the potential problem of having roosters and their crowing. Chief Clark, stated the only complaints are from people who have roosters and for them running at large Mayor Williams suggested passing an ordinance of no roosters within City limits, but to first hand this discussion to the Parks and Recreation Committee.
- C. State of Idaho—Revenue Sharing:** Mayor Williams stated that at the Association of Idaho City's meeting, they discussed that with all of the budget shortfalls, they are definitely talking of the possibility of revenue not being sent on to the cities and counties, potentially \$83,000 to the City of Payette, which would be a huge reduction in our funding. With this being mentioned, Councilor Hanigan stated it is over 50%. Mayor Williams wanted to bring up this discussion because this needs to be on everyone's mind that we might have a lot less money if it's not passed on to the state. Clerk Cordova, stated that the City should know before the legislative session is over whether or not they are going to mess with this or not. Clerk Cordova went on to say some of the legislators are under the impression that the cities aren't doing as bad as the State. Councilor Hanigan asked if this will affect this current budget year or next and Clerk Cordova had confirmed that this is for the next budget year.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Councilor Hanigan brought up that she has been in touch with Helen Dickenson in regards to Ontario, Oregon is bringing in a gang awareness presentation on April 7th presented by Victor Castro. This presentation is called 'Keeping our Kids Safe' and it will be at the Cultural Center with free admission. Mayor Williams stated the more uncomfortable they make it for gangs, the more likely it is that they will leave for the next town. Councilor Heleker stated that the police force has done a great job keeping our gangs out of our town.

MAYOR'S INFORMATIONAL POINTS TO THE COUNCIL

Mayor Williams asked if anyone had gone down to the gun and knife show this last weekend. Councilor Hanigan, Councilor Nelson, and Mayor Williams had gone to the event. Mayor Williams discussed 'Breakfast with the Mayors' with the Council. To finish, Clerk Cordova got a head count for the Council members for a SREDA luncheon at the Clarion Inn this Thursday from 11:30AM to 1:30PM.

The work session ended at 5:48 PM

Immediately Following Work Session – Special City Council Meeting

A special meeting of the Payette City Council was called to order at 5:48 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, Lee Nelson

Members Absent: None

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION ~ Pursuant to I.C. 67-2345(1c)& (1f), 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 and to discuss with legal council for the public agency pending litigation or where there is general public awareness of probable litigation.

At 5:48PM Cochran moved and Mussell seconded a motion to recess into Executive Session per Idaho Code 67-2345 (1c) & (1f), to conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by the public agency and to discuss with legal council for the public agency pending litigation or where there is general public awareness of probable litigation.

At 5:59PM the Council reconvened into regular session.

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Hanigan to approve additional expenditures on Parcels 27 & 28 on the Iowa Avenue Right-of-Way Acquisition.

The motion CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Heleker and seconded by Mussel to adjourn to at 6:00 PM.

The motion CARRIED.

Signed this 5th day of April, 2011.



Jeff Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mary Cordova, City Clerk