

CITY OF HAUSER, IDAHO

Location: Hauser City Hall, 11837 N. Hauser Lake Road, Hauser, Idaho 83854

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – March 23, 2011

- CALL TO ORDER:** 6:29 p.m. – Olita Johnston, Mayor
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** **Lead:** Claire Hatfield, Council President
- ROLL CALL:** **Councilmembers:** Mallon, present; Hynes, absent; Hatfield, present; Lefebvre, present
- MINUTES:** **March 9, 2011:** Hatfield moved to approve the March 9, 2011 minutes as written. Mallon seconded the motion. All ayes – motion carried.

REPORTS:

Mayor: Olita Johnston:

- Mayor Johnston announced that Planning and Zoning Commission member, Mike Curry, has resigned. She asked Councilmembers to keep this in mind for suggestions of a replacement.

Councilmembers:

a. Claire Hatfield, City of Hauser Properties – RC&D

- Nothing to report on City Properties
- Hatfield said she and R. Lefebvre attended the Panhandle Lakes RC&D (Resource, Conservation and Development) meeting on March 10. She read her notes of that meeting into the record, and her notes will be filed. Lefebvre followed that there will be a fund raiser by the Coeur d'Alene Tribe on April 13, 2011 for the proposed KWIS radio station. He said they have not heard yet if they have the funding from the RC&D. He said RC&D is a nationwide program, federally funded to some degree and the problem is that the federal budget may be cut and they may lose their funding. RC&D is an administrator of programs. Further explanations ensued. Hatfield noted that RC&D handles the City of Hauser website, and they help write grants. They were instrumental in the grant for the Hauser Rinse Station.

Note: Councilmember L. Hynes arrived at 6:36 p.m.

b. Lacey Hynes, Trails – Milfoil Rinse Station

- Hynes said she has had a couple of people asking her for an update on the development behind the Chef in the Forest. The Mayor Johnston asked if she was asking about Edgewood. Hynes responded, yes. The Mayor said C. Howell is still working on that project. One well is now in place, and then later they installed a “pump-up station somewhere up that road to the left...” Hynes asked if it was “because of the City” that it is taking so long. Mayor Johnston responded that they had so many days to come back, and thought their time had expired but Howell disagrees.

- Another concerned citizen was wondering why we don't spray the lake road sides for weeds. Mallon responded that he will be discussing this with Post Falls Highway District.
- Hynes said in the Fall we got a bid for doing the seal coating on the City Hall parking lot. Howell said the trails should be added. Hynes asked for authorization to bid trails as well. Mayor Johnston said asphalt on those trails is debatable. Mallon has asked for more details on this at the County but has gotten no where. The "trail system" was explained to a member of the audience by the Mayor. Hatfield suggested getting two separate bids, one for the parking lot and one for the trails.

c. Roger Lefebvre, City Projects – RC&D Alternate

- Lefebvre said he has not heard about the Arbor Days grant yet.
- Regarding the sign missing on Highway 53, Lefebvre reported Post Falls Highway District is looking into replacing the No Passing sign and also will see if they can get a brighter light at that intersection.

d. Gary Mallon, Public Works

- Mallon, referring to the minutes of October 13, 2011, asked for explanation of why the City is paying for Waterford Trail. The Mayor responded that we are paying "a few dollars" for Mica Fire District. The same is true for Hauser Heights. She said the combination of both of those run the City about \$90 a year.
- Mallon reported he is still trying to get something done about the Milfoil Rinse Station MOU. He asked for anything on file dealing with the Milfoil Rinse Station to be copied and given to him. Discussion followed. Johnston said she would go back to the 2007 minutes to look for information for him. Hynes said she has some of the information requested and will copy it for Mallon. Further discussion ensued on the financial aspects of the Rinse Station and County financial involvement.
- Mallon said he made a visit to the City insurance company, Dickinson, and challenged the policy in that the dollar amount seemed too high, and the "type of coverage we have is by far too much for this little City." He continued by saying the State has a flat rate policy at \$2,200.00 a year, which is what the City has.

He said there are no restrictions on the insurance policy for Councilmembers to handle the equipment. They can take equipment on the road with no restrictions.

Ryan Barnes is the New Business Director of Dickinson and the person who manages the City policy. His business cards were distributed by Mallon to Councilmembers and City Clerk.

• Code Administration/Enforcement: Cheri Howell

Howell was absent but supplied her report via email to Councilmembers. Hatfield read Howell's report into the record. A copy of the report is in file.

- **City Clerk: Donna Ray**
Ray report she received the business application and pertinent information from Champion Concrete. Two others have been in contact with her and are working on getting the required information to us.

RESOLUTION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Disbursements - None – Treasurer Tina McCoy was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments. The Mayor addressed B. Rostad asking if she had anything. Rostad responded that she would “tract down” John Wallis’ phone number for Mallon.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Lefebvre said he is looking into a couple of things. First, he said when we were looking at the business applicability, questions arose on mobile home park licensing. He said he is looking into having a use permit type license rather than a business license. He will get some drafts together to discuss what we can do to make them safe environments. The City Clerk said she forwarded the first information received from Lefebvre to Howell, and said the City can’t do anything unless an Ordinance covering this subject is in place. Lefebvre understood.
- Second, Lefebvre said that an annoyance to him is the variety of signs put out by realty companies. He said he felt realty signs should be a certain size and shape, and specifically mentioned signs placed on property should only be on the property that is being sold and not randomly placed around the area with arrows pointing to the sale property. He would like to see the City “draft some kind of uniform sign code that the City of Hauser can review and stop people from poking a sign without the property owner’s permission. He said he wants something that looks nicer and is a uniform way of signage with written permission from property owners regarding random placement of signs.

M. Morrow addressed Hynes concerning a couple of restaurants on Ragged Ridge Road, asking if she knew about the Hookah Hut on Mobbs Road, and 3 Bar W Inc. on Ragged Ridge Road. Hynes said she did not. Much discussion followed. The information came from “Restaurants in Hauser” website according to Morrow. Morrow also asked about the “arts and crafts school” sign on Cloverleaf road.

ADJOURNMENT:

Lefebvre moved to adjourn the meeting. Hynes and Hatfield seconded the motion in unison. The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Donna Ray, City Clerk

Olita Johnston, Mayor