

CITY OF HAUSER, IDAHO

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – July 13, 2011 – 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: **Lead: Claire Hatfield**

CALL TO ORDER: **6:30 p.m. – Mayor Johnston**

ROLL CALL: **Councilmembers: Mallon, present; Hynes, present;
Hatfield, present; Lefebvre, present**

MINUTES: June 22, 2011: *Budget Workshop:* Councilmember Mallon moved to approve the minutes as printed. Councilmember Hatfield seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hynes, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion approved.

 June 22, 2011: *Regular Council Meeting:* Councilmember Mallon moved to approve the minutes with one correction noted by Councilmember Lefebvre. Councilmember Lefebvre seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

a. Treasurer's Report: Tina McCoy

Treasurer McCoy thanked councilmembers for their participation and input at the Budget Workshop, and followed by saying the Treasurer's Report was discussed at the Budget meeting earlier in the evening.

b. Councilmembers:

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

- Councilmember Hatfield distributed a flyer to councilmembers about RC&D finding new office space and they are looking for items to be donated. The contact for donations is Kathy Dingman at the RC&D office.
- Gutters and Downspouts: Estimate of expenses for gutters and downspouts will be presented at the next council meeting.

2. Lacey Hynes, Trails – Milfoil Rinse Station

- Councilmember Hynes turned in her resignation letter to Councilmembers. Discussion followed. She said it would be effective July 27, 2011.

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

- Councilmember Lefebvre stated he responded to a letter addressed to council regarding Hauser Lake Road and Pleasantview Road and directed it to Don Davis, Post Falls Hwy District Director, and one to the sender addressing the issues.

4. Gary Mallon, Public Works

- Councilmember Mallon reported he sold the second military trailer.
- An inventory of all signs within the City of limits of Hauser has been completed. Mallon distributed the list and cost estimates to councilmembers.

c. Code Administration/Enforcement: Cheri Howell

- Planning and Zoning is working on the 150 page development code (Title 8).
- Curley's has submitted paperwork for an outdoor assembly, which is in Council-member's hands. It is the 11th year of the "Ride for Life" event. The paperwork included: Application, Site Plan, proof of insurance, letters from Post Falls Hwy. District, Idaho Transportation Department, Pan Handle Health District, Kootenai County, Sheriff's Department and Hauser Lake Fire Protection District. Tanya Murray was present. Mayor Johnston recognized Ms. Murray and Ms. Murray explained details of the event to council, and thanked them for their time. She also voiced concerns about the City fee for such events being so high, and ask that the fee be waived for a second time and approval for the event to be held in three days.

Melissa Halverson, representing Cancer Patient Care, explained who they are and what they provide to cancer patients in the area. She asked council to reconsider and waive the outdoor event fee. She described how that money could be used to help cancer patients. Councilmember Lefebvre asked what fees they pay for other events. She responded \$50 to about \$250 and never anything higher than that. She also said that they use 83 cents of every dollar toward patient care, and the average is 75 cents of every dollar.

Scott Ryan, Chairperson for the "Ride for Life" event, said he has worked on many fund raisers in the area. He does it to help others – there are no fees. He asked council for consideration on the fees.

Violet Wachter, resident of Hauser, and Registered Nurse for cancer patients, said she has seen how the donations have helped cancer patients in the area and gave several descriptions of the assistance.

Allan Duprey, Hauser resident, said his brother died from cancer. "These people deserve everything they can to help cancer patients."

Melissa Halverson asked to speak again. She thanked council again and stated there are two media events, one on Friday morning on KXLY and one on Saturday at KHQ.

Cheri Howell: The regulation for the fee is under Title 2, Chapter 3, of the Hauser Municipal Code, and says the basic fee is \$2,500.00, and it is dated 9/20/78. Howell said the City does have the opportunity and ability to either reduce or waive that fee. She asked Councilmembers if they had questions. Discussion followed. Councilmember Lefebvre thanked Tanya for taking the time to apply, and he also thanked those from Cancer Patient Care. He thanked them for the second packet Council received covering what the first one did not. He said that he was leaning toward the fee waiver but explained the City is in a budget crunch. Mallon moved to waive the fee for the "Ride for Life" event at Curley's this year. Hatfield seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hynes, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried. Councilmember Lefebvre moved to approve the "Ride for Life" event. Hatfield seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hynes, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.

d. City Clerk: Donna Ray

- Fire Safety Specialist came in and replaced one of our fire extinguishers. He suggested donating it to our fire department. Discussion followed on the legitimacy of the company but this company has been servicing fire extinguishers for the City for about five years.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Disbursements – Tina McCoy
Council was advised to review the Tate Engineer billing. There were no questions. Councilmember Hatfield moved to pay the bills. Mallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hynes, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Kristi Farr: Farr said they are under new management at the Hauser Resort and they are denying access to the water. They are also ordering everyone to move all toys, have no wood, no flatbeds and to move it all out of the park. She asked if he can do that. Discussion followed including comments and suggestions from Cheri Howell, Claire Hatfield, and Lacey Hynes. Hynes suggested that the Law Library in downtown Coeur d'Alene has much information on rentals so would be a good resource. The Legal Aide Society was also suggested.
- Donna Tillberg said she moved there for lake access. She suggested those at the park get together as a community in the park and meet with the landlord. The Mayor said the City Hall meeting room is available and to contact the City Clerk to schedule it.
- Allan Duprey said he has lived in the park for six years and understands leash laws but dogs are leashed and cats are not. There are stray cats everywhere. Howell responded that she knows of an organization what will capture them, and have them spayed. Mr. Duprey also volunteered to do snow plowing at the City.
- Fire Chief Simms was notified that there is a paving company in the area soliciting business at "low-ball" fees but it is a fake company and the money disappears.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Councilmember Lacey Hynes turned in her resignation from City Council, announcing that she doesn't have enough time to devote to the City and also will be a new mom soon. She asked council to look for a new candidate, but is willing to continue if needed beyond the two-week notice. She said she would stay until August 24th to finish off the budget hearing.
- Councilmember Claire Hatfield asked how to reduce the outdoor assembly fee discussed earlier in the meeting. Cheri Howell said she would fix/update/amend the 1978 Ordinance.
- Councilmember Mallon said we have another vacancy coming up with C. Howell's impending retirement. A special meeting was then scheduled on July 20th at 5:15 p.m. to discuss the needs of the City for the position. Howell was asked to attend as well.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Johnston called for a motion to adjourn. Hatfield moved to adjourn the meeting. Mallon seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Donna Ray, City Clerk

Olita Johnston, Mayor