

CITY OF HAUSER, IDAHO

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 10 2008

CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

CALL TO ORDER: at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Olita Johnston

Roll Call of City Council Members – Councilmember Bill Madigan, Councilmember Rich Danford, Councilmember Carmen Miller, Councilmember Claire Hatfield. The Mayor welcomed Councilmember Hatfield to her first full official meeting.

The Clerk presented the minutes for June 11, July 2, 9, 21 and 23, August 13 and August 27, 2008. After a brief discussion, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilmember Madigan, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve the minutes. Motion carried with Hatfield, Madigan, Miller, Danford.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNT PAYABLES for August, 2008. After a review and discussion, Councilmember Hatfield moved to approve the payables, seconded by Councilmember Danford. During additional discussion, Councilmember Madigan reiterated that he wanted the financial reports and payables well in advance of the meeting. There was a brief discussion on the detailed invoices of the attorney and the code administrator. The Clerk assured that the Council would receive the detailed invoices for the contract positions each and every time. Motion carried by all.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Danford updated the Council that Council members Madigan and Danford had met with the road supervisor of the Post Falls Highway District and discussed the proposed Highway District maintenance agreement. Danford stated that he had not heard any decision from the Highway District on the proposal.

Councilmember Madigan discussed the update of the remodel and installation of the dais. He also discussed the security issues of city hall and stated that he was working on a security plan that would be distributed to council members.

There were no new reports on Disaster Preparedness or City Historian.

The Code Administrator briefly reviewed development agreement for Edgewood Estates, LLC. Councilmember Madigan expressed concern regarding the subdivision. There was a discussion by the Council on the merits of reviewing the subdivision application. The Code Administrator explained the development code procedures and regulations. Councilmember Madigan disagreed with the regulations. Councilmember Danford stated that this issue had been discussed

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before. There was a motion made by Councilmember Miller, seconded by Councilmember Danford to approve the development agreement and the Mayor's signature of the agreement. The Code Administrator stated that the final application would be reviewed by the City Council. Council member Madigan questioned the procedures for review of engineering plans. The Code Administrator informed the Council that review of all of the construction plans and drawings would be done by qualified individuals and agencies. Motion carried with Miller, Madigan, Danford, and Hatfield.

The Mayor opened the public hearing on amendments to Title 8 of the Development Code. This amendment would provide definitions, criteria and standards for variances and to update the penalties for violating the development code. The Code Administrator explained the Planning Commission's recommendation for re-defining variances and the standards and criteria to acquire a variance. Councilmember Danford mentioned that he had attended the Planning commission public meetings on this issue and concurred with the Planning Commission. The Mayor opened the hearing to public testimony. Testimony was primarily questions regarding how the ordinance would work and benefit the Lake Village community. Public testimony was closed. During deliberations, the Council discussed the procedures and the criteria for decision making on variances. There was a motion made by Councilmember Danford seconded by Councilmember Miller to suspend the reading of the title three times and have it only read once. Motion Carried. There was a motion made by Councilmember Danford, seconded by Councilmember Hatfield to approve Ordinance Number 147 to amend the Hauser Development Code. Motion carried with roll call vote of Miller, Madigan, Danford, and Hatfield.

Public comment focused on Ordinance Number 145, Discharge of Firearms and the hunting within City limits. The Code Administrator explained the ordinance. There were questions from the audience (Leonard, Nall, Mulcahy) about penalties for carrying guns and the discharge of fire arms for target practice. The Code Administrator explained the penalties and the code. There were questions about de-annexation from the City limits. There were questions from Ted and Rhonda Leonard about what the procedures would be to de-annex from the City limits. The Code Administrator said that there would be a public hearing, however, she did not know the Idaho Code statute and would research that. The Leonard's stated that they would come into the office of City Hall and pick that up later in the week.

ADJOURNMENT: The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:44.

Cheri Howell, Clerk

Olita Johnston, Mayor