

## **CITY OF HAUSER, IDAHO**

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

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING – October 13, 2010 – 6:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:39 p.m. – Olita Johnston

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

**ROLL CALL:** Councilmembers: Hatfield, present; Hynes, present (on phone); Ward, present.

Mayor Johnston asked for approval to change the Agenda since Councilmember Hynes, is on the phone:

1. Move Council Reports to the meeting of October 27, 2010.
2. Move the Treasurer's Report to the meeting of October 27, 2010.
3. Move Disbursements and Fee Waiver Request to the beginning of this Agenda since Councilmember Hynes is on the phone and approvals are needed. Approval granted.

**VISITOR COMMENT:** Rocky Watson, Sheriff, Kootenai County Sheriff's Department  
The Sheriff explained an article that was in the Coeur d'Alene Press about his suing the County. The real crux of the lawsuit is that the County Commissioners have an obligation to fund the mandated services before they fund the un-mandated services. Kootenai County spends eight million dollars a year on un-mandated services, and while we have cars in the patrol cage that are nearing 180,000 miles, the County Commissions spent \$700,000 on a new County park. They spend \$400,000 a year on subsidizing Lear Jets at the airport. He stated they can't reach an agreement so I am asking a Judge to tell me if I am right or wrong in prioritizing expenditures. He said the first Hearing is coming up in November.

**FEE WAIVER REQUEST:** Lance Brown

C. Howell reviewed the details of the annexation request from Lance Brown and his request for a fee waiver on the 6.345 acre property. She also said that Mr. Brown is aware that the hard costs of mailing and legal notices would be paid by Mr. Brown. The Brown's were present for questions. Mayor Johnston asked Mr. Brown how he is connected to the City. He responded that he is right down the street from the City. Howell explained that she verified that they are connected by Hauser Lake Road. The City owns Hauser Lake Road right in front of his house, and it is not a County road. No other questions were posed by Councilmembers. Councilmember Hatfield moved that the annexation fees be waived for 11554 Hauser Lake Road. Ward seconded the motion. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMUNITY CENTER:** Mayor Johnston stated that Joe Tierney asked for the Council to give him an answer on whether they would approve/deny having a Community Center in the City of Hauser. Mr. Justus responded that Mr. Tierney could not be present, but the question remains. Discussion followed including the fact that the City does not have property on which to build a center. Justus said the Lion's Club would like to see a mailer sent to voters. It was decided to move the topic to the Council meeting of October 27, 2010.

**DISBURSEMENTS:** Tina McCoy

McCoy asked if there were questions from Councilmembers. She explained some of the items listed on the Payables Report, including a question from Hynes on the receipted donation from Burlington Northern for the Hauser Daze Program. The Mayor asked about the amount of fees the City is paying for the Waterford Trail. McCoy explained the expenses in detail. Councilmember Hatfield moved to approve the Disbursements. Ward seconded the motion. Roll call: all ayes. Motion carried.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Chris Justus

Justus stated that she has received a letter via email today that Debbie Mustered must resign from the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Hauser. Debbie is a member in the City versus the ACI, so Justus has tried to contact Carol Spuler to see if she has interest in filling the position.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- D.J. Nall: Nall stated she could not attend the Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan, but she wants to complain about the Commercial Resort designation next door, and that she has discussed her concerns with C. Howell. She said she has several concerns and voiced them.
- M. Morrow: Ms. Morrow stated she had questions which follow:
  - The north line of Lake Street is clearly marked. The south line is not. Why?
  - Howell responded that the survey would answer the first question.
  - Why have campers been allowed on the Lake Street all summer?
  - Howell stated a written complaint must be filed before answers could be given, and asked Ms. Morrow if she had filed a written complaint. The answer was no.
  - Her other questions came under exparte communication and could not be answered.
- J. Hensch: Ms. Hensch asked what the City is going to do with Lake Street and why you want to do it. Howell responded that no decisions had been made until the research on possibilities is complete. Hensch also asked where people would park. Howell responded that that question would be asked as part of the research.
- Ms. Nall asked if the Councilmembers answered questions. The response is that Councilmembers give responsibilities for their requests to employees trained to do the research and they then report back to Council. When research is underway, Councilmembers wait for the results of the research before answering questions.
- Cris Justus, on behalf of the Planning Commission, explained some information, which came from the community, for the Comprehensive Plan including pocket parks.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Hatfield moved to adjourn. Ward seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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Donna Ray, City Clerk

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Olita Johnston, Mayor