

CITY OF HAUSER, IDAHO

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – December 14, 2011 – 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:36 p.m. – Mayor Olita Johnston

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Lead: Claire Hatfield

ROLL CALL: Mallon, present; Hatfield, present; Lefebvre, present via telephone

MINUTES: *Special Meeting* of 11/9/11, 5:30 p.m. - Councilmember Hatfield moved to approve the minutes as written. Councilmember Mallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.

Regular Meeting of 11/9/11, 6:30 p.m. - Councilmember Hatfield moved to approve the minutes as written. Councilmember Lefebvre seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.

Special Meeting of 12/8/11, 10:30 a.m. - Councilmember Hatfield moved to approve the minutes as written. Councilmember Lefebvre seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried

PRESENTATION: Avista Utilities presentation, “Hauser Creek Bore Project Overview”

Presenters: Robin Bekkedahl and Dave Smith

The presentation outline was distributed to councilmembers. The Scope of Work includes installing a new gas pipe under Hauser Creek on Cliff House Road. Robin Bekkedahl and Dave Smith reviewed the handout in detail. The project will not begin until Hauser Lake water level is close to the lowest level of the year, and it will take seven to eight days to complete.

REPORTS:

Mayor: Olita Johnston

- . Acceptance of Canvassed Election Results
Councilmember Hatfield moved to accept the canvassed election results of November 8, 2011 as follows: Gary Mallon, 22 votes; Roger Lefebvre, 20 votes. Councilmember Mallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.
- . The Waterford Fence is down and Mayor Johnston said she left a message for the attorney to send a letter to the Waterford Homeowner’s Association saying the fence is down and the fencing material is being stored here on City property.
- . Mayor Johnston said the City has received notification from Time Warner that their rates will be increased in January, 2012.

Treasurer’s Report/Disbursements: Tina McCoy

- . Treasurer’s Report: McCoy asked if there were any questions on the Treasurer’s Report. Mayor Johnston asked McCoy to explain the process for paying the Building Inspector. McCoy explained and discussion followed. She continued by saying the budget of \$6,750 for the building inspections for the entire year is nearly expended. More discussion followed.

Councilmember Lefebvre recommended writing up duties but Tina explained that this is a contract position so you cannot do a "job description." Further discussion followed. The building inspector contract review is coming up so the contract will be reviewed in detail.

Councilmember Hatfield moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Councilmember Mallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.

- . Disbursements: McCoy explained details of disbursements. Councilmember Hatfield moved to pay the bills. Councilmember Mallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye; Lefebvre, aye. Motion carried.

Councilmembers:

- . **Roger Lefebvre, City Projects**

Councilmember Lefebvre reported that there was a second meeting of Access Committee through the Idaho State Highway Division and Post Falls Highway District. They reviewed the comments of the community, and Hauser had the greatest attendance with over twenty people present. Pleasantview access to Hwy. 53 will have top priority. There will be more studies. The next meeting is planned for January 2012.

- . **Gary Mallon, Public Works**

Councilmember Mallon moved to cancel the scheduled Executive Session and set up another date for it. Councilmember Hatfield seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, Lefebvre. The Executive Session of the meeting was rescheduled for Monday, December 19, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

Code Administration: Cindy Espe

Espe said she has started drafting a community newsletter, and asked for Councilmember input. Discussion followed. She also asked about the availability of funds for the newsletter, and she said she would donate stamps for the mailing. Discussion followed.

City Clerk: Donna Ray

The City Clerk asked about payment for the Public Meeting and Waterford Trail time. Discussion followed. Councilmember Hatfield moved to approve payment for 3.5 hours for the City Clerk. Councilmember Mallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mallon, aye; Hatfield, aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Barbara Rostad asked if the Waterford Trail can now be used. The response was yes, and to walk around the private property fencing.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- . Councilmember Mallon asked about the possibility of lowering the phone bill by bundling with other services. The Treasurer explained pros and cons in detail.
- . Councilmember Mallon announced that when home computers are used for City business, they can be accessed if there was a law suit against the City.
- . Mayor Johnston announced that the Treasurer, Tina McCoy, married Ben Nelson on December 9th.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilmember Hatfield moved to adjourn. Councilmember Mallon seconded the motion. All ayes. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.