

**CITY OF HAYDEN LAKE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Hayden Lake City Council was called to order by Mayor Prince at 4:00 p.m. Council members present were Bob Grant, Evelyn Meany, Jim Riley and Todd Walker. Dick Pelton and Attorney Pete Bredeson were present as representatives of the Council. City Clerk Lynn Hagman recorded the minutes of the meeting.

VISITORS

Visitors present at the meeting were Mr. Emberton, Nancy Morris, Deputy Ryan Higgins and Mac Cavasar.

AGENDA

Councilwoman MEANY moved to approve the agenda for this meeting. Councilman RILEY seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilman RILEY then moved to approve the consent agenda including the list of bills for payment and the minutes of December 5, 2006 for approval. Councilwoman MEANY seconded the motion. Councilman Grant questioned a bill for \$500.00 to the Hayden Lake Recreational Water and Sewer District. Clerk Lynn Hagman explained that the City has not paid for the back up operator for the water system and the Sewer District has now billed the City in the amount of \$5,512.51, of which \$1,500.00 has been paid to date. The back up operator is now being charged to the City on a monthly basis. The motion carried.

MEDICAL INSURANCE

Clerk Lynn Hagman requested a meeting with Councilwoman MEANY on the new estimates that were received from Blue Cross for the medical insurance. Councilwoman Meany will contact the Clerk for this meeting.

RESOLUTION 83

Resolution 83, a Resolution for the adoption of the records retention schedule was read. **Councilman WALKER moved to adopt Resolution 83, seconded by Councilman RILEY. The motion carried.**

RESOLUTION 84

Resolution 84, a Resolution for granting permission for the Ironman bicycle route to go through the City of Hayden Lake was discussed. Councilman Riley asked if the Ironman representatives had contacted the Avondale Country Club and the Hayden Lake Country Club to make sure there were no special activities going on there. Mr. Emberton assured the Mayor and Council that he had made contact with the Country Clubs and the Hayden Lake Country Club has tentatively scheduled a father and son tournament, which will produce less traffic than a normal Sunday and the Avondale Country Club has a couples tournament scheduled for that day with the same results for traffic, less than a normal Sunday.

Mayor Prince questioned Mr. Emberton about the amount of bicycle traffic there will be leading up to the race. Mr. Emberton stated that there will be some traffic by those who will want to practice on the course.

Councilman Grant felt that there is no upside to this race going through the City of Hayden Lake. There are concerns with more bicycle traffic on Lakeview Dr. Councilman Grant felt that for weeks leading up to the race there may be a lot of bicycle traffic and he does not want to encourage more bicycle traffic on Lakeview Dr.

Mac Cavasar addressed the Council informing them that he is the Chairman of the ped/bike committee and is also working with the City of Hayden on their bicycle paths. Mr. Cavasar feels that there are already a lot of bicycles using the City of Hayden Lake streets. Mr. Cavasar is working with the City of Hayden and the City of Dalton Gardens on connectivity of their bike paths. The Ironman race will bring notoriety to the City of Hayden Lake. Mr. Cavasar would like to work with the City of Hayden Lake on bike paths. Councilman Grant informed Mr. Cavasar that the City of Hayden Lake has adopted a transportation plan and it includes bike paths. Mr. Cavasar felt the best route would be to go through the City of Hayden on Government Way, but there will be a high level of construction on Government Way this summer.

Councilman Grant asked if there was another route that could be used to get to English Pt. Rd. Mr. Cavasar stated that the route would either go up Strahorn Rd. or it would have to cut through a subdivision. The planners of the route felt that using Strahorn was the logical choice. Councilman Grant reviewed the entire route and Mayor Prince stated that he felt the City of Hayden Lake would not benefit from this race at all. The City of Hayden Lake has no commercial business to benefit, the City is all residential homes. Mr. Cavasar stated that the community will have the notoriety of the race and it will help other surrounding cities. Mayor Prince questioned if the Ironman had funds to help the City with infrastructure such as bike lanes.

Mr. Cavasar stated that Ironman did not have funds for this type of thing, however they are working with the City of Hayden and the City of Coeur d' Alene for safe routes to schools and with the Dept. of Transportation for funds from Ironman.

Councilwoman Meany stated that even though there are no businesses in the City of Hayden Lake, there are citizens here that own businesses in the surrounding areas that would benefit from Ironman. Councilman Grant commented that he did not have any problems with the Ironman event, however, he does feel that Lakeview Dr. is a problem for the bicycle route. Mayor Prince questioned Mr. Emberton is one lane would be open to traffic on Lakeview Dr. Mr. Emberton felt that this would be a Cities decision.

Councilman Riley stated that as he understands Resolution 84, the Ironman committee needs to report to the City what their traffic control will consist of as well as a safety plan. The City Engineer would then review the plan and the City would review and approve or make changes. Mr. Emberton discussed the education of the public on the routes and pre-event notification. Bikers will be asked to not ride side by side during training or for the actual race.

Councilman RILEY moved to adopt Resolution 84, seconded by Councilwoman MEANY. A roll call vote showed: Councilman GRANT, "nay", Councilwoman MEANY, "aye", Councilman RILEY, "aye" and Councilman WALKER, "aye". The motion carried with a 4 to 1 vote.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Councilman Walker discussed the recent severe wind storm. Several trees were down and the City Hall had no power on Friday. Mayor Prince feels the City of Hayden Lake needs an emergency plan. Councilman Walker informed Mayor Prince and Council that when trees fall, Avista and Lakes Highway District are usually the first contacts. Deputy Higgins informed the Mayor and Council of the Sheriff's officers duties in a situation like this.

Council discussed having a generator installed in the City Hall. Clerk Lynn Hagman informed the Council that Dustin Jacobson from the Hayden Lake Recreational Water and Sewer District is in the process of getting some estimates for a generator.

Council discussed power outages in the City and Councilman Riley suggested having the City Clerk research other cities to see if they have some kind of an emergency response plan for this type of situation.

LEGAL

Attorney Pete Bredeson informed the Mayor and Council that he is awaiting information from Larry Comer at Welch Comer & Assoc. regarding the public access at the Hayden Lake Country Club. Mayor Prince asked Deputy Higgins if the boat house would be built even if the access is deemed to be public.

Deputy Higgins stated that the City would have to sign off that they approve the design and the grant permit funding, or the County will have to look at other means for the boat house.

Two letters of disapproval of the closing of the public access were received, one from Nancy Morris and one from Mr. Schaeffner. Deputy Higgins stated that the Sheriff's Dept. does not care about a gate or blocking the access. Deputy Higgins informed the Council that the grant application is being submitted as if the access was private.

Councilman Grant questioned Attorney Bredeson about a prescriptive easement. Attorney Bredeson informed the Council that the State statute for a prescriptive right of way is that there is 5 years of use. Deputy Higgins gave a summary of that conversation at the last meeting due to Councilman Grant being absent. Attorney Bredeson will contact Deputy Higgins with the results of the Engineers findings regarding the legal description in the Title Report. Deputy Higgins stated the grant application needs the County Officials approval by January 16, 2007. Deputy Higgins stated that if the property is deemed to be owned by the City, he will make a phone call and pull the grant.

FINANCIAL

Councilwoman Meany asked to table the financial report for November, 2006 until the next meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Councilman Grant gave the police report for November, 2006.

STREETS & WATER

Councilman Riley stated that since he had posed the questioned regarding his personal tax bill, why there were assessments from Lakes Hwy. District and the City of Hayden Lake, he is no clearer on this issue at this point. Councilman Riley is astounded that all of the professionals working for the Cities, Counties and Highway Districts don't seem to know who is responsible for anything. Councilman Riley feels that no one is able to tell him how the taxing levies work and who is responsible.

Councilman Walker questioned if Councilman Riley had gone to the County Assessor. Councilman Riley stated that they, the Assessor's office, was quite busy and their computers had failed. Councilman Riley has a concern with the amount that he feels Lakes Highway District is assessing the citizens of Hayden Lake for the amount of work that is being done by them. Councilman Riley stated that it must astound the rest of the Council that there are 10 and 15 year employees in the various municipalities that don't have the slightest idea.

Councilman Riley will continue to research his question of why his personal tax bill has assessments from the City of Hayden Lake and Lakes Highway District.

McCALL PARK

The Clerk informed the Council that there were two trees down across the path in the park. Councilman Grant and Mayor Prince volunteered to take care of the trees.

Clerk Lynn Hagman then presented the Annual Road and Street Financial Report to the Council. Following the reading of the report, Councilman Riley and Councilwoman Meany asked for clarification of the report. Clerk Hagman explained the annual report with the help of Councilman Walker. Councilman Riley felt the audited financial statement should show this amount. The Clerk explained that the revenue is shown in the annual audit as well. Nancy Morris, former Clerk for the City of Hayden Lake also explained that this report is an annual report on the Highway Users Revenue only.

Councilman GRANT moved to approve the report, seconded by Councilman WALKER. Mayor Prince called for the vote with only Councilmen Grant and Walker voting. Councilman Riley then asked the Clerk when the report needed to be filed and the reply was by December 30, 2006. Councilwoman was concerned that she did not see the figure in the audit. Councilman Riley was in favor of approving the report, however, he felt that a meeting with the auditor was needed to make sure he is mapping this revenue. Councilwoman Meany agreed with this and Mayor Prince then asked for the question again. Councilwoman Meany and Councilman Riley voted to approve the Annual Road report with the understanding that it would be clarified by Lee Anderson in the audited financial statement.

Councilman Walker stated that the report is a type of audit by the State to show how much money the City is receiving and the expenditures that the street department has. The Clerk assured the Council that the figures in the report are found in the September financial statement.

Councilman GRANT again moved to approve the Annual Street and Road report, seconded by Councilman WALKER.

Councilman Riley voiced his concern with the City approving a report that is stating a dollar amount of the public's money that he does not see in the financial report. **Mayor Prince called for the question, Councilmen GRANT and WALKER had voted to approve the report, Councilwoman MEANY and Councilman RILEY then voted to approve the report. The motion carried.**

ADJOURN

With no further business before the Council, at 5:45 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Bob Prince, MAYOR

Lynn M. Hagman, CITY CLERK