

**CITY OF HAYDEN LAKE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Morris called the regular meeting of the Hayden Lake City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were Bob Grant, Chris Beck, Tom Gorman and Todd Walker. Attorney Pete Bredeson, Dick Pelton, and Deputy City Clerk Lynn Gilbert were also present as representatives of the council. Clerk Lynn Hagman recorded the minutes of the meeting.

Rick Berger from Avista and a list of other visitors is attached to these minutes.

Mayor Morris led the pledge of allegiance and then introduced Lynn Gilbert to the Council as the new Deputy City Clerk.

AGENDA

Councilman Gorman made a motion to amend the agenda to add an executive session per ID Code 67-2345 (b), employee issues. Councilman Gorman's good faith reason for amending the agenda are issues that have arisen and need to be resolved at this meeting. Councilman Grant seconded the motion to amend the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken; Councilman Grant, "aye", Councilman Beck, "aye", Councilman Gorman, "aye" and Councilman Walker, "aye". The motion carried.

Councilman Beck then moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Councilman Gorman. The motion carried.

Councilman Gorman moved to approve the consent agenda, including minutes of October 5, 2010 and invoices for approval. Councilman Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Bruce Cralley voiced his concerns with the city's decision to make Strahorn Rd. a one-way street. Mr. Cralley felt that the city council had been short sighted in their decision to change traffic and force traffic into other areas. Mr. Cralley wants to the city to look at this issue again.

Mayor Morris asked Councilman Gorman to address the citizens and explain why the one-way was done. Councilman Gorman informed the citizens present that the cost of rebuilding the road was far more that the city had in their budget, the road is badly deteriorating and is very narrow. The comprehensive plan shows the citizens in Hayden Lake wanting to increase the volume for pedestrian and bike traffic.

Research showed that re-building the road would entail removing 50 or larger mature trees, which also adds to the cost. Councilman Gorman explained that traffic counts on surrounding streets will be done.

Laurie Otto from Hillview Dr. questioned the conflict of interest between Councilman Gorman and the vote on the one-way street since he lives on that street. Mayor Morris replied that Councilman Gorman did not vote on the question of making Strahorn Rd. a one-way street. Ms. Otto felt that since he lives on Strahorn Rd., there still is a conflict.

Gina Sutton from Kensington St. stated that the minutes reflect Councilman Gorman as the councilman who started the conversation of the one-way street and the rest of the council was against it.

Tom Haney from Hillview Dr. informed the council that his street is seeing a significant amount of traffic and asked if a traffic study had been done on Hillview Dr. Councilman Gorman replied that there has to be more traffic studies done. KMPO study showed the traffic would filter out. Mr. Haney questioned why it was a south bound lane instead of north bound. Councilman Gorman explained why it became a south bound lane and stated that people are using several different routes. Councilman Gorman suggested that City of Hayden may be able to do something for traffic calming on Hillview Dr.

Diana Kern from Hillview Dr. informed the council that the extra traffic has caused back up from Hayden Meadows School. Children will be at risk until spring when school lets out. Ms. Kern requested the council to open Strahorn Rd. for two way traffic until they figure out something that works for everyone.

Mayor Morris closed the public comments and informed the citizens that we need to wait for the traffic studies and Councilman Gorman will be working with the City of Hayden as well. The traffic studies need to be done at the same time as the last studies in order to have an accurate comparison.

Terry Russo questioned why residents of Hayden weren't consulted about the one-way decision. Mayor Morris informed Ms. Russo that the City of Hayden is not in Hayden Lake's jurisdiction. Councilman Walker stated the City of Hayden frequently approves subdivisions north of the City of Hayden Lake without ever contacting the City of Hayden Lake.

AVISTA

Mr. Rick Berger addressed the council on the road cut issue and having to use Strata for inspections. Councilman Gorman explained that the City is faced with a franchise agreement and prior to discussion of this, the council voted to charge Avista for the inspections done by Strata on the cities behalf. Since the city has this franchise agreement, **Councilman Gorman moved to not exempt franchise utilities from using Strata for inspections but there will be no charge to the franchise utilities for this service.**

Mr. Berger stated that this was a slow year for road cuts. The road cut on Ponderosa Dr. was not completed properly and this was due to a new employee taking over in the middle of the job. Mr. Berger stated that he had questioned Dustin Jacobson of the Sewer District as to what other road cuts he thought were not done properly. Mr. Jacobson could not think of any. Mr. Berger stated that he will work with Strata according to the city's direction.

Councilman Grant seconded the motion to continue using Strata for inspections of the franchised utilities but with no charge to that utility. Councilman Beck abstained from the vote due to his business being the competitor of Strata. The motion carried.

Councilman Grant felt that if the city did not use Strata, we would be waiving control to Avista.

ORDINANCE 242

Ordinance 242, an ordinance amending Title 1, Chapter 11, Title 7, Chapter 4 and Title 8, Chapter 4 of the City Code and relating to signs was presented to the council.

Councilman Grant moved to approve Ordinance 242 by reading of Title only. Councilman Walker seconded the motion. A roll call vote showed; Councilman Gorman, "aye", Councilman Walker, "aye", Councilman Grant, "aye" and Councilman Beck, "aye". The motion carried.

Mayor Morris read Ordinance 242 by Title.

Councilman Grant moved to approve Ordinance 242 under suspension of the rule requiring the reading of the ordinance on three separate occasions. Councilman Gorman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; councilman Walker, "aye", Councilman Grant, "aye", Councilman Beck, "aye" and Councilman Gorman, "aye". The motion carried.

Councilman Walker moved to adopt Ordinance 242 as presented, seconded by Councilman Grant. The motion carried.

Councilman Walker then moved to adopt the summary of Ordinance 242 for publication. Councilman Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS

Mayor Morris informed the council of a KCE manage workshop to be held at the Coeur d' Alene Police Dept. on December 17th.

Mayor Morris also informed the council of the Mayor's meeting she attended. Mayor Morris then reviewed the September financial report with the council.

Councilman Beck stated that the report looked to be in order. Councilman Walker moved to approve the September, 2010 financial report, seconded by Councilman Grant. The motion carried.

STREETS

Councilman Gorman informed the council that the Pt. Hayden project is complete and the punch list is done. The previous offer from MDM Construction regarding the work to be done on the city's behalf has been rescinded. MDM Construction decided they could not do the job for the cost quoted to the city. The city will revert back to the previous plan of doing the duro patch in the spring. Councilman Grant and Councilman Gorman will meet with Necia from Welch Comer and inspect the job. Councilman Grant felt that Welch Comer Engineer did not do a very good job supervising this project.

Councilman Gorman discussed the federal grant the City received for Miles Ave. The city now needs to choose a consultant between LTAC and ITD. A letter will need to be sent to Matt Gillis of Welch Comer Engineering letting him know the choice. Mr. Gillis has recommended LTAC. The design for the road will cost approximately \$70,000 and should be done in 2012. Another \$313,000 will be for the construction phase of the road. Councilman Beck questioned if the city would need to go out for bid on the \$70,000 professional services phase. Attorney Bredeson did not feel this would be necessary. The council was in favor of using LTAC for the consultant on the project.

Councilman Gorman then informed the council that three bids were received for the snow plowing. MDM Construction, who we used last year, does not have the necessary equipment according to Councilman Gorman. Sun Valley snow plowing has 8 year's experience and limited equipment, however, they will put the city first on their list and if a grader is needed, they do have access to one. B.E.M. was an unknown bidder, no one had met with this contractor and he also did not have the necessary equipment.

Mayor Morris felt that Sun Valley snow plowing was professional and would do a good job. Councilman Grant felt that B.E.M. should be eliminated because no one knows this contractor and he doesn't have the necessary equipment. Councilman Grant also was not comfortable with Sun Valley snow plowing when all they have is two pickup trucks and did not like MDM's performance last year. Councilman Grant questioned if Councilman Gorman has spoken with Lakes Highway District regarding our main streets. Councilman Gorman stated the Sun Valley snow plowing does have access to a grader if it is needed and his trucks have de-icing units as well as a sander.

Mayor Morris questioned Councilman Gorman on what the cost of a grader would be through Sun Valley snow plowing. Councilman Gorman will get this information and will call Lakes Highway District to discuss the plowing of the main streets. Councilman Walker felt that Sun Valley snow plowing would do a good job. Councilman Beck voiced his concerns that if Sun Valley were to get the job, the city would be his first priority and have a backup plan in place with a grader and driver.

Councilman Grant moved to approve the bid from Sun Valley snow plowing on the condition that Councilman Gorman is satisfied with the answers to the questions the council has asked. Councilman Gorman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; Councilman Beck, “aye”, Councilman Gorman, “aye”, Councilman Walker, “aye” and Councilman Grant, “aye”. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:15 p.m. Councilman Walker moved to recess to executive session per ID Code 67-2345 (b) personnel issues. Councilman Grant seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; Councilman Grant, “aye”, Councilman Beck, “aye”, Councilman Gorman, “aye” and Councilman Walker, “aye”. The motion carried.

Present in executive session were Mayor Morris, Councilmen Grant, Beck, Gorman and Walker, Attorney Bredeson and Clerk Hagman.

At 7:42 p.m. council reconvened to regular session.

ADJOURN

At 7:45 p.m. Mayor Morris adjourned the meeting.

Nancy E. Morris, MAYOR

Lynn M. Hagman, CITY CLERK