

**CITY OF HAYDEN LAKE  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 2, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Walker called the regular meeting of the Hayden Lake City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Jim Riley, Nancy Morris, Bob Grant and Evelyn Meany. City Attorney Pete Bredeson and Dick Pelton were present as representatives of the City. City Clerk Lynn Hagman recorded the minutes of the meeting. Visitors present were Mark Bowlin and Greg Peck of Peck and Peck Excavating, also representing Mark Bowlin.

AGENDA

**Councilman RILEY moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilwoman MORRIS. The motion carried.**

**Councilwoman MEANY then moved to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of September 17, 2007, the unpaid bills for approval and the paid bills and authorized transfers of funds. Councilman RILEY seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

VISITOR

Mr. Peck, representing Mark Bowlin addressed the Council on Spencer Addition located on Lakeview Dr. Mr. Peck presented a proposal to the Mayor and Council requesting the driveway road be moved to the north 75'. Mr. Peck explained that the water and sewer lines have been approved by the Sewer District and the City's Engineer. Water tie in has been done and sewer will be started on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The problem they have run into with the road is that Avondale has a 24" water line that is not buried deep enough to excavate over it for the road. Mr. Peck stated that the grade change was minimal going to the north 75'.

Mayor Walker informed Mr. Peck that his plan will be submitted to the City Engineer, Larry Comer, for his review. Councilman Riley questioned if the City Engineer approves the plan, would Mr. Peck be allowed to continue the project. Mayor Walker felt that if Larry Comer approves the plan for the moving of the road, they will be allowed to continue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Grant discussed the Police Chief's wages and informed the Council that when Mr. Johnson was hired, he was promised an increase following one year using his anniversary date which was September 1, 2007.

Councilman Grant would like to give Chief Johnson an increase that would be retroactive from September 1, 2007 for this year only and all future increases will be done on the fiscal year basis.

**Councilman GRANT moved to give the Police Chief a 5% increase retroactive from September 1, 2007 for this year only and to give the City Clerk a 2.5% increase as noted on the budget.** Councilwoman Meany asked to separate the Clerk's increase from the Chief's increase. Councilman Grant stated that his motion stood. **Councilwoman MORRIS seconded the motion.**

Discussion on this motion, Councilman Riley addressed the spread sheet presented to Council earlier. Councilman Riley stated that with the 7.5% from the Sewer District and the 2.5% from the City, this would result in a total of 5% which would be a gross amount of \$ 55,954. Councilman Riley questioned Councilman Grant if this was his motion. Councilman Grant stated it was. Councilman Riley voiced his concern with the budgeted figures versus the spreadsheet figures being different. Clerk Hagman explained the overage in the budget due to the alternate way the increase was figured. The overage in the budget for the clerk's wages is approximately \$4,000 which is also an overage in the wage reimbursement from the Sewer District. The Sewer District will pay 53% of whatever wage is paid.

Councilwoman Meany voiced her concern with the difference between the budget and the spreadsheet presented by Councilman Riley. Councilwoman Meany asked for clarification on which budget figures the motion was for. Councilman Grant clarified his motion to increase the clerk's wage by 2.5%. Councilman Riley asked the Council to consider an amendment to the motion where the City would provide the 2.5% with an additional 2.5% with allocating the Sewer District's contribution to the City identically. Mayor Walker questioned why the City would do this. Councilman Riley felt that the Sewer District has shown by their increase for the Clerk that they need her on more Administrative matters and he feels the City does too and feels the City should fund that as well and allocate a portion of the Clerk's time with that.

Mayor Walker stated that this was a different issue than the motion made by Councilman Grant. Councilwoman Meany liked the approach of the City and Sewer District paying an equal share in the Clerk's wages. Mayor Walker reminded the Council that the Sewer District has already given the Clerk an increase of 7.5% and it was approved by their Board. Councilwoman Morris stated that the budget is for 2.5% and it should be left as is and next year it should be looked at closer.

Mayor Walker questioned Councilman Grant if he would make the amendment suggested by Councilman Riley. Councilman Grant stated he would leave his motion as stated. Mayor Walker called for the vote on Councilman Grant's motion to approve a 2.5% increase for the clerk.

**The vote showed Councilwoman MORRIS and Councilman GRANT in favor, Councilman RILEY and Councilwoman MEANY against. Mayor WALKER voted in favor as the tie breaker. The motion carried.**

**Councilman RILEY then moved to amend the previous motion to add another 2.5% making the increase to a total of 5% with added responsibilities, Councilwoman MEANY seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for the vote, Councilwoman MEANY and Councilman RILEY in favor, Councilwoman MORRIS and Councilman GRANT against. Mayor WALKER voted against as the tie breaker. The motion failed.**

## NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Walker reported that the work done in the club grounds looks good. The project is complete.

Councilman Grant discussed Mr. Beebe's project in the Country Club Estates. Attorney Bredeson informed the Council that there is no definition of structure in the City Code and feels this needs to be addressed. Councilwoman Morris questioned if Mr. Beebe needed to go above the existing fence or can he stop at the fence line. Mr. Pelton and Attorney Bredeson felt that the City did not have the authority to stop the project which also means the height. Councilman Grant felt that since the City has no definition of structure, there is no authority to regulate the height. Mayor Walker recommended, with the Attorney's opinion, the stop work order should be removed. Attorney Bredeson will contact Mr. Beebe's attorney and inform them.

Attorney Bredeson will bring definitions of structures to the next meeting for Council review.

Mayor Walker reported on McCall Park and the progress being made on the gazebo.

Mayor Walker also informed the Council that he intends to meet with Lakes Highway District to discuss the contract between the District and the City of Hayden Lake.

## LEGAL

Attorney Bredeson informed the Council that the letter he drafted that would be sent to developers has been sent to the County for their review. There has been no response from the County to date.

## POLICE REPORT

Councilman Grant reported on police activity for the month of September. The report showed that things have slowed down considerably.

## STREETS

Councilman Riley discussed the proposal submitted by Larry Comer to stabilize the right of way in the club grounds and not to exceed \$1,500.00. **Councilman RILEY moved to approve this expenditure, seconded by Councilman GRANT.** Councilwoman Morris questioned why the Country Club was paying for the labor on the stabilization of the right of way. Councilman Riley explained that if the City were to pay for the entire project, there would be gravel placed in the right of way, the Country Club would like to plant grass and therefore has offered to pay for a portion of the project. **Mayor Walker called for the vote and the motion carried.**

Councilman Grant suggested Larry Comer supervise the Bowlin project on Lakeview Dr. and to inspect the right of way project. Councilman Riley stated that he will contact Mr. Comer to do this and to also prepare a proposal for the next increment on street projects.

Councilwoman Morris questioned the cable type fence that the Country Club proposes along the right of way that they will be planting grass on. Will this need a permit what is the length of the fence. Councilman Riley explained that the cable fence will be on the Country Club property and they are trying to control traffic. Councilman Grant asked that Councilman Riley clarify this with the Country Club and inform them that they do need a fence permit.

## POLLING PLACE

Mayor Walker designated the Hayden Lake City Hall as the official polling place for the general election on November 6, 2007.

## ADJOURN

**With no further business before the Council, at 8:00 p.m. Councilman GRANT moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman MORRIS. The motion carried.**

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Todd Walker, MAYOR

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Lynn M. Hagman, CITY CLERK