City of Stanley
Public Hearing/Council Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2013

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:
Mayor Herb Mumford, Council President Steve Botti, Councilmember Melinda Hadzor,
Councilmember Lem Sentz, and City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass

OTHER ATTENDEES:
Sari O'Malley, Jeff Bailas, Sylvia Hamilton,

PUBLIC HEARING (McDonald Conditional Use Permit)
The Public Hearing was opened at 6:00 pm in the Stanley Community Room.

The Clerk reported that Jeff Welker has informed him that he is in favor of the
issuance of the Conditional Use Permit.

Sari O'Malley registers her support for the permit, stating that the rental agreement
has been complied with for the vacation rental. The one problem that occurred in the
past year was immediately addressed. She would like to see the permit approved for
a five year period.

The Public Hearing is closed at 6:07 pm.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:
The Mayor opens the council meeting at 6:07.

The Clerk performs the roll call. Councilmember Gadwa is absent.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:
There are no changes to the agenda offered.

MAYORAL COMMENTS:
The Mayor attended City Officials Day at the Capitol, put on by the Association of
Idaho Cities. He reports that discussions of the proposed repeal of the personal
property tax dominated the meeting. About $140 million/year is generated in
personal property tax. For Stanley it is a small percentage of our budget, but for
other cities it can be much larger. In 2008, Idaho approved the exemption of
$100,000 in personal property per person per county and provided a means to
replace that revenue. This would exempt 89% of businesses and replace $20 million
annually, but has yet to be enacted. In Custer County, personal property tax provide
one of the few sources of revenue for the County from the mines.

The Stanley Winterfest will be held on February 22-24, and a lot of interest has been
generated.

The Sawtooth Ski Festival is the weekend of March 2-3.
The Snowmobiler’s Ball and Fun Run will be held on February 15-16.

The 4th Annual Stanley Sled Dog Rendezvous will be held March 9-10.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**
Council President Botti reports from the fire stakeholder’s meeting that was held February 8th in the Stanley Community Building. A number of people have met to explore reducing the impact or occurrence of large fires. This meeting did not produce any recommendations or plans, but was rather a beginning point to get the group organized. The group wants to figure out real ideas to break up the fuel complex. Any interested parties are welcome to attend the meetings. Mayor Mumford adds that he attended an earlier meeting at the SNRA headquarters with a smaller group, and wants to see the discussion moving along. The Forest Service would like a collaborative organization driving the discussion, rather than the Forest Service itself. The big question that remains is whether we can do something about the fuels problem.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**
Councilmember Hadzor motions to approve the consent agenda including the January 10th meeting minutes, prepaid bills for January and February, and unpaid bills for February. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

**PRESENTATION/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**
Jeff Balles – He would like the city council to waive the fee for the Sawtooth Ski Club’s use of the Community Room for the annual Ski Festival Banquet and Auction.

Keith Reese – He reports that since the last meeting, the parking requirements in the code for multi-family dwellings have been pointed out to him, and the developers of Stanley Town Square are reevaluating their plans. He reads the relevant portion of the code, pointing out that the off-street parking requirement is a bit unclear.

Council President Botti remarks that the existing permit would have to be amended to accommodate the additional units and parking. He notes that parking activity itself is not regulated in the City of Stanley except with respect to blocking driveways and not impeding snowplowing equipment. He thinks that we need to have a work session to address it.

Mayor Mumford says that he wants to see work continued on how parking is handled on the dead end of Critchfield.

Sari O’Malley says that she often, in the course of renting vacation homes, runs into questions of where to put extra vehicles.

Mayor Mumford remarks that there are many parking options including the city streets and the Mountain Village lot.

Charlie Thompson says that he thinks that it is a good idea to address parking. It would be a good idea for the city council to contact a transportation/Traffic engineer/planner and to try and get in front of the problem. He asks what we are going to do if density continues to increase.

Council President Botti says that there are a variety of issues regarding parking and circulation that should be addressed before potential problems become a reality.
Michelle Wetzel would like to address off-street parking with regard to undeveloped spots, and asks if additional units were proposed, would the garages remain as 'off-street parking'.

Mayor Mumford and Council President Botti say that the ‘undeveloped spot’ provision in the code was missed, and Councilmember Hadzor says that a discussion about it is needed.

**COUNCIL ACTION ITEM LIST:**
The Action Item List is presented. No current updates are proposed.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT:**
The Mayor reports that according to the Custer County Sheriff’s report, it has been quiet in Stanley.

**COMMUNITY BUILDING:**
Council President Botti moves to approve the request of the Sawtooth Ski Club for a fee waiver. All approved. Motion passes.

**AD HOC COMMITTEES:**
- **GROOMER:** Mayor Mumford reports that the new groomer has been working well, but we need snow.
- **CEDA:** (Mayor Mumford) – As Mayor Mumford missed the last meeting, he has nothing to report.
- **CEMETERY:** The cemetery is quiet.
- **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:** Charlie Thompson reports that he and Ellen Liberine attended the grant summit.
- **SIHA:** No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
Winterfest '13 Memorandum of Understanding – Council President Botti motions to approve the MOU. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

Conditional Use Permit – McDonald. Councilmember Hadzor motions to approve the permit to be renewed for the next five years as long as there are no concerns reported. Council President Botti seconds. Council President Botti notes that the other Vacation Rental Conditional Use Permits were approved for 5 years, and although the code says the permit must be renewed annually, the Council can approve it for a longer period. All approved. Motion passes.

Pioneer Park – The Council discusses report to accompany to park master plan. AN engineering study should come from Sunrise Engineering, but a broader narrative should come from the City of Stanley. Charlie Thompson notes that although the Sawtooth Music Festival is not returning, the City ought to be working on plans for other large event.

**CITY CLERK REPORT:** (City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass)
Record sorting has been ongoing with the help of Councilmember Gadwa. A list of records for destruction is expected soon, possibly by the March meeting. The Map Cabinet has been received and is in use. The Winterfest and Sled Dog Race planning is proceeding. Volunteers are needed. The office will close at 3 pm on 2/28.

**TREASURER /OPTION TAX REPORT:** (City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass)
Option Tax Comparison charts, Local Government Investment Pool Statement, Check Register, Accounts Receivable Report, and Monthly financial statements are presented for the Council's review. The FY12 Audit is complete. The public is invited to inspect the financial statements.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**
Mayor Mumford adjourns the meeting at 7:18 pm.

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Herb Mumford, Mayor

Doug Plass, City Clerk

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