City of Stanley
Public Hearing/Council Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2012

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:
Mayor Herb Mumford, Council President Steve Bottl, Councilmember Lem Sentz, Councilmember Laurii Gadwa, Councilmember Melinda Hadzor, City Police Officer Dave Walls, and City Clerk Doug Plass.

OTHER ATTENDEES:
Jack and Wendy Stevens, Phil Coonts, Allison Beechert, Celina Moreno, Ellen Libertine, Charlie Thompson, Anna Means, Tim Cron and Keith Reese.

PUBLIC HEARING.Library Sign Variance:
The Mayor called the public meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

The Council is considering the granting of a Variance to the Stanley Community Library for the display of vinyl banners at the current and future library sites through December 2012.

Public Testimony:

In Favor:
Phil Coonts(for the Stanley Community Library) He believes that no dangerous precedents will be set by granting this variance. These signs let people know what the construction is all about and keeps them up to date on the fundraising status.

No testimony offered in opposition to granting the Variance.

The public hearing was closed at 5:18 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING.Resolution 2012-2
The Mayor called the public hearing to order at 5:19 pm.

The Council is requesting comment on the adoption of a resolution establishing a $50 fee for Minor Land Divisions, Lot Shifts and Lot Changes.

No testimony is offered.

The public hearing is closed at 5:21 pm.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:
The regular council meeting is called to order at 5:25 p.m. The Mayor and entire City Council are present.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:
The Agenda is not amended.

MAYORAL COMMENTS:
The Mountain Mamas Craft fair is upcoming on the weekend of July 21-22. The Sawtooth Music Festival will be held on the weekend of July 27-28 at Stanley Pioneer Park. Also, there are a number of Stanley Street Dances upcoming and the Throwdown in Dogtown is scheduled for July 21st. The City is currently undertaking a large amount of work on the city streets. Although there is lot of work required, we received a low bid, so this is a good time to take care of it all.

CONSENT AGENDA:
Councilmember Gadwa motions to approve the Consent Agenda including the June 5th Town Hall minutes, June 6th Budget Workshop minutes, June 7th Zoning Workshop Minutes, June 13th Budget Workshop minutes, June 26th Building Permit minutes, and unpaid and prepaid bills for July. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

PRESENTATION/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:
The Clerk reads a letter from Amy Klingler which is included with the minutes.

The Clerk reads a letter from Tim Cron, Jim Wetzel, Michelle Wetzel and Alison Beechert which is included in the minutes and an accompanying petition requesting that the city take action against the Mountain View Subdivision 'dirt transfer station'.

Mayor Mumford responds to the letter saying that the City will address the issue of a property being used as a dirt transfer station. Councilmember Hadzor asks if there could be a designated staging area in the city such as the area near the ice rink. Councilmember Sentz asks if the problem could be dealt with by flattening out the piles that are currently there. Councilmember Gadwa states that storage near the ice rink would be a problem for chapel visitors. Mayor Mumford states that the City will request a timetable for when the activity will be completed. Council President Botti notes that if the material is fill, the Stanley Municipal Code requires revegetation. Councilmember Hadzor further notes that there are lots of dirt piles in town. Mayor Mumford states that until we get some answers, we can't do too much.

STREETS AND ROADS:
Councilmember Hadzor expresses her concern about the intersection of Wall Street and Ace of Diamonds. She notes that six weeks prior to the meeting, the dips were removed and now people continually run the stop signs in that intersection. She is afraid that the City may be condoning breaking the law if we don't address the issue, and would like to see an end date as to when it will be fixed. She does not want the City to be liable for what might occur at that intersection with the signs being run so often. Mayor Mumford responds that the City is not condoning breaking the law, and that the dips will be reinstalled within a week.

BUILDING PERMITS:
SIGN 06102012-Dawn Graham. Councilmember Gadwa says that the design looks good, and motions to approve the permit. Councilmember Hadzor seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

SIGN07102012-Niece Smiley Creek LLC. Council President Botti asks whether the sign would be permanent or temporary. Would it remain after the fence is removed? Councilmember Gadwa motions that the sign be approved with the understanding that it is to be moved out of the setback as the fence is moved. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.
Building Permit #809 – Jack and Wendy Stevens, Council President Botti asks what material the proposed tool shed will be constructed out of. Jack and Wendy respond that it is a resin material that resembles wood. Councilmember Gadwa expresses her concern that the material in the photo looks like it might be plastic. Council President Botti asks if there are wood alternatives that could be used. Jack Stevens replies that there are, but at twice the cost. Council President Botti says that the intent of the code is to allow materials that appear to be wood, but that plastic fabrication is not allowed. The Mayor asks the Council what action they would like to take. Councilmember Hadzor asks if it could be erected and then sided with wood. Jack Stevens says that he will try to get a piece of the siding and then submit it for the next meeting. The building permit is tabled.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT:**
The Sheriff’s report has been received from Custer County. Councilmember Gadwa asks if Officer Walls’ days off could be coordinated with the county to insure coverage.

**COMMUNITY BUILDING:**
Idaho Fish and Game requests a reduced rate for the use of the Stanley Community Building for meeting on the 9-11th of July. Councilmember Gadwa move to approve the reduced rate of $50 per day. Councilmember Hadzor seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

**AD HOC COMMITTEES:**
- **CEDA:** (Mayor Mumford) Ground breaking has commenced for the Challis Community Center project. CEDA is negotiating an agreement with BSU for the operation of the Rapid Response Observatory.
- **Gem Committee:** (Charlie Thompson) Asks whether the City has discussed the Redfish Lake Trail survey further with Barbara Garcia, and states that he will investigate some design professionals that can be used for producing a park master plan.
- **Chamber of Commerce:** (Ellen Libertine) The Chamber of Commerce has been finding lodging for visitors, and the staff has been blogging about the different businesses in the area. Advertising posters went out to surrounding Idaho communities. Mayor Mumford asks why the Winter poster is not being displayed and whether or not the TV in the Visitor’s Center is being used to show promotional videos.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
The Stanley Sawtooth Chamber of Commerce requests the release of $5000 in option tax funds to support the visitor’s center. Council President Botti moves to approve the funding. Councilmember Hadzor seconds. Council President Botti notes that he would like to see a better quantification of what activities are paid for with City funds. Charlie Thompson says that he will provide the city with a financial statement. All approved. Motion passes.

Sawtooth Mountain Mamas requests funding from the City of Stanley for the ‘Stanley-Sawtooth Cowboy Gathering’. Council President Botti asks how much money they are requesting. Councilmember Gadwa says that the Mamas chose not to give an amount. They are really asking for money for transportation costs to get the poets to Stanley. She feels that this event will be a great shoulder season activity. Councilmember Hadzor asks if there was thought of having the gathering on the
corner of Niece and Ace of Diamonds. Council member Gadwa suggests that she contact the Julie of the Mountain Mamas for more information. Council President Botti suggests that the question of funding be deferred until the treasurer’s report is received.

Stanley Community Library requests a Variance to allow vinyl coated banners to be displayed at the current and future library sites through December of 2012. Council President Botti moves to approve the Variance of the allowed temporary sign duration. Councilmember Gadwa seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

Resolution 2012-2 – Establishment of fees for Lot Changes, Lot Shifts and Minor Land Divisions. Councilmember Hadzor asks what would be the harm in taking out the clause that states that the City will be reimbursed for any engineering fees needed to approve applications. Council President Botti thinks that some language is necessary to allow for something unusual that comes up. Councilmember Gadwa says that this language simply states that the city will not be paying for engineering costs to approve the application. Councilmember Gadwa moves to approve Resolution 2012-2. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

Stanley Sawtooth Chamber of Commerce – Proposed Labor Day Festival. Charlie Thompson sees this festival as a good opportunity to showcase the community and to compete with other events in the state. He is requesting that overnight camping be allowed both in the park and on private land. There may be the need for some street closures as well as police and EMS support. Council President Botti is concerned about safety with regard to the bike race. Councilmember Gadwa is concerned about the combination of dogs, disc golf and camping. Charlie Thompson outlines the activities for the weekend. Council President Botti moves to support the event as discussed. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

CITY CLERK REPORT: (City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass)
The Clerk would like to work with the Council on ordinances and forms including the Cemetery Ordinance, Zoning changes, the Building Permit Form, and a consistent policy for fee reductions and waivers. Public Hearings on the River 1 sign variance, the FY13 budget and Zoning changes are scheduled for August 9th.

The Clerk would also like to start working on next winter’s event soon and is asking for assistance from a community member to take the lead in fundraising, planning and promotion of the Dog Sled event and the Winterfest.

TREASURER /OPTION TAX REPORT: (City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass)
Option Tax receipts are right on the five year average. The city can expect to receive at least $130,000 in Option Tax revenue this fiscal year.

The Treasurer submits the financial statements for the current month. Council President Botti moves to approve $200 for funding the Stanley-Sawtooth Cowboy Gathering. Councilmember Sentz seconds. Three approved. One abstention. Motion passes.

ADJOURNMENT:
The City Council meeting is adjourned at 7:42 pm.
7-12-12 Minutes

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APPROVED

Herb Mumford, Mayor

ATTEST:
Doug Plass, City Clerk
Dear Mayor Mumford and the City Council

I am writing to update you on the progress of the playground.

So far, the students at the Stanley School have participated in design day activities which resulted in our current playground design, the equipment for which was ordered this week.

From a fundraising perspective we have raised over $14,000 in donations in addition to the $15,000 grant from Kaboom!, the Washington, DC based non-profit organization dedicated to preserving play for children. We are now just a few thousand dollars short of our cash needs for the equipment, freight and installation. We anticipate some additional costs associated with creating the appropriate surfacing for the playground and for the build day and hope much of that will be supported through in-kind donations.

We are also now focusing on our build day activities. Our build day is scheduled for August 25, 2012. The installation of the playground equipment will need to be a community effort. We will be holding a pre-construction meeting with our equipment vendor and installers in the coming weeks to review the details of the weekend’s activities, but what I know so far is that we will need to perform site preparation and finalize the logistics and planning for the installation. The site preparation involves removing the current wooden structure and concrete footings and digging holes for the new equipment prior to the build day. We are also recruiting volunteers and will need about 20-25 adults working in teams of 5 for the actual construction. There will be other opportunities for volunteers to help with food and drink service for the day as well as preparation and supervision of children’s activities. If we have an excess number of volunteers it might be a great opportunity to beautify other areas of the City Park at the same time.

I encourage you to visit www.ourdreamplayground.org, search for the Stanley Pioneer Park Playground, sign in and leave comments, sign up as a volunteer and check on our progress. If anyone is interested in helping with the final fundraising push or with build day activities please let me know either through Our Dream Playground, at the clinic or via email axmerc@hotmail.com

Thank you very much,

Amy Klingler
Stanley Playground Replacement Financial Situation
7/11/2012

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