City of Stanley
Public Hearing/City Council Meeting Minutes
July 14, 2011

Mayor Mumford called the City Council meeting to order at 4:07 p.m. Thursday, July 14, 2011 in the Stanley Community Building.

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:
Mayor Herb Mumford, Council President Steve Botti, Councilman Frank Juillano, Councilman Lem Sentz, Councilwoman Lauril Gdwa, and City Clerk Erin Fisk.

OTHER ATTENDEES:
Kent Krohn, Jim Wetzel, John Graham, Amy Klingler, Scottie Patrick, and Amanda Matthews.

PUBLIC HEARING: Variance for replacement of Salmon River Clinic ramp and staircase within city street setback
Council President Botti noted that establishing the exact position of the property boundary would be useful in deciding whether to grant the variance.

Kent Krohn introduced himself as the architect hired for the ramp replacement.

The public hearing was closed at 4:09 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Mumford called the City Council meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: none

MAYOR COMMENTS/UPDATE:
All open litigation directed against the city has been resolved, stretching back to 2009.

City Council meetings for the next two months are rescheduled to August 9th and September 15th, to allow for the attendance of both the outgoing and incoming City Clerks.

Idaho Department of Transportation will be doing some paving on the airport runway area during the latter part of July and beginning of August. Any damage to Wall Street caused by their trucks and heavy equipment will be repaired. Airport visitors will be using the area adjacent to the hockey rink for parking during the construction. Signage will be provided.

The Mountain Mamas have recently erected two "Stanley Welcomes You" signs along Highway 21. However, someone has twice knocked the signs over, distressing the Mountain Mamas and causing them considerable expense. John Graham suggested engaging Sean Tajkowski to install surveillance cameras.
Council President Botti has been working with the city accountant to create a statement sheet about the Option Tax with the goal of providing it to the public in advance of Option Tax Hearings. Hearings will be scheduled for 10 a.m. on August 15th and 5 p.m. on August 17th.

PRESENTATION:

John Graham: Thanks the city for supporting the summer street dance series and for providing the services of Gary Gadwa. He estimates the turnout to be 130 people for the first event and 150 people for the second. He has received only positive feedback. He would like to add Wednesday, August 10th and Wednesday, August 17th to the series and anticipates engaging a good band for those dates. Councilwoman Gadwa motions to add 8/10/2011 and 8/17/2011 to the Street Dance series. Councilman Juliano 2nd. All approved. None opposed. Motion passes.

CONSENT AGENDA:

June 9th City Council Meeting Minutes – pg 2. Correction - Trevor Douton is a county officer not a reserve officer.

Councilwoman Gadwa moves to approve the consent agenda with the correction noted above. Council President Botti 2nd. All approved. None opposed. Motion passes.

BUILDING PERMITS:

John and Heidi Rennison, Building permit #792 – new construction of two story single family residence. Councilwoman Gadwa motions to approve the building permit. Councilman Juliano 2nd. Council President Botti wants to ensure that the builder and owner are aware of the current hillside ordinance. The permit is approved by the council with the understanding that the owner conforms to the hillside ordinance and hooks up to the Stanley sewer system.

Spencer Strand, Sign Permit #71111 – replacement of “River 1” sign. The council notes that the replacement can only proceed if the new sign complies with the current sign ordinance. The current sign is grandfathered in. In June of 2009 a similar sign replacement request was denied. Alteration of existing sign would be permitted, however replacement is not permitted. The clerk notes that neither a site plan nor a payment accompany this permit request. Councilwoman Gadwa motions to deny sign permit request. Council President Botti 2nd. 3 votes yes. Councilman Juliano abstains. Motion passes. Sign permit request is denied.

Salmon River Clinic, Request for Variance – replacement of staircase and ramp within the city street setback. No comments were received at the public hearing. The clinic wants to rebuild the stairs and extend the roof to combat snow accumulation issues. The ramp is currently exposed to the weather. Council President Botti is concerned about encroachment into the city street and not just the street setback. Three of the four property corners were located and it is believed that the property line runs along the outside edge of the ramp. The clinic requests a variance to rebuild stairs and ramp and to extend the roof within the city street setback. Councilman Juliano thinks that this project is in the interest of public safety and moves to approve the variance. Councilwoman Gadwa 2nd. Kent Krohn asks that the clinic be allowed to install pavers or concrete at bottom of stairs to deal with the issue of erosion and puddling. Pavers would extend 4-5 feet from stairs. Councilwoman Gadwa suggests
that pavers would have to be non-permanent. Councilman Juliano amends the motion to allow for non-permanent structures (pavers) within the city street setback. Councilwoman Gadwa accepts the amendment. All approved. Motion passes.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT:** (Mayor Mumford)
Part-Time Officer Gary Gadwa needs to work on some certification issues before the county is able to dispatch him. The city is very appreciative of officer Gadwa’s assistance. The city is putting out feelers for more help. The goal is to provide coverage with two or more part-time officers in the short-term.

**STREETS AND ROADS:** (Mayor Mumford)
Dust abatement applied to city streets is an environmentally friendly vegetable based polymer. In the future, the Mayor suggests getting information about the product out to the public ahead of time so that they are able to be involved in the process.

**CEMETERY:** (Councilwoman Laurii Gadwa)
The cemetery survey/scan will be completed on Monday August 13th. Councilwoman Gadwa will begin working on the cemetery ordinance after the scan is complete and the results have been received.

**CITY PARK:**
Scottie Patrick and Jane Evans request permission to place a memorial bench at the city park. The council notes that approval would have to include the stipulation that the bench may have to be moved with the creation of an Integrated park plan. Councilwoman Gadwa motions to approve the bench placement with the aforementioned stipulation. Councilman Juliano 2nd. All approved. Motion passes.

**COMMUNITY BUILDING (CB):** (Mayor Mumford)
Idaho State University requests waiving the community building fee for June 24th, 2011 geothermal studies meeting. Mayor Mumford, Councilwoman Gadwa, and Councilman Sentz were all involved with the meeting. Councilwoman Gadwa motions to waive the fee. Council President Botti 2nd. All approved. Motion passes. Mayor Mumford notes that the Rural Business Enterprise Grant for a geothermal feasibility study has been approved and $20000 have been allocated to the City of Stanley with the need for an additional $20000 in matching funds. About one quarter of the in-kind funds are available from the city and at least $10000 in matching funds committed. Councilman Sentz notes that Dennis who lives in the Iron Creek Subdivision may have knowledge of geothermal issues and could be of help with this project.

Forest Service – requests a reduced rate for the use of the Community Building for the Sawtooth National Forest Safety Engagement Seminar of July 27, 2011. Councilman Juliano is concerned about giving reduced rates to the Federal Government when federal business is exempt from local taxes. Councilwoman Gadwa moves to approve the reduced fee of $50 with the understanding that if the option tax does not pass in November, no more reduced fee will be available as the city’s financial situation is dire. Councilman Juliano 2nd. All approved. Motion passes.

**AD HOC COMMITTEES:**
- **CEDA Report:** (Mayor Mumford)
$5000 in matching funds have been promised to the City of Stanley for the RBEG grant. CEDA is moving along with the community building project in Challis.

- **Gem Committee:** (Charlie Thompson)
  No report available. The council needs to know what is going on with the gem committee.

- **Chamber of Commerce:** (Ellen Libertine)
  Ellen Libertine is not present. Mayor Mumford and Councilman Juliano express concern over the loss of nonprofit status and the suggestion is made to ask for a written report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

_Stanley Arts Festival of August 26-28 – request for waiver of temporary vendor permit requirement_ - A reminder is made to the organizer to inform vendors about the local option tax. Councilwoman Gadwa motions to waive the temporary vendor permit requirement for Arts festival vendors. Council President Botti 2nd. All approved. Motion passes.

_Middle Fork River Tours – Business License_ – Councilman Juliano motions to approve the license. The council would like to make sure that the business is aware of Local Option Tax requirements, zoning requirements (e.g. conditional use permits), and other requirements such as sign permits. Council President Botti 2nd. Councilman Juliano amends motion to approve the request if the business is in a commercial zone, however if in a limited commercial zone, the business will need a conditional use permit. Council President Botti accepts the amended motion. All approved. Motion passes.

_Stanley EMS – request for Liquor Catering Permit fee waiver for Mt. Mamas booth_ – Councilwoman Gadwa motions to waive fee. Councilman Juliano 2nd. All approved. Motion passes.

_Idaho Independent Intergovernmental Authority – Joint Powers Agreement – III-A is an attempt to pool cities health insurance for a self funded program to limit future increases in insurance rates. Joining into this agreement prior to August 1st eliminates the buy-in costs. The city would have the opportunity to opt out of the program every September. The mayor is unsure as to whether council members would be eligible to participate in the program. Councilwoman Gadwa motions to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement if it is appropriate to do so after discussing it with the city attorney. Councilman Juliano 2nd. All approved. Motion passes._

**CITY CLERK REPORT:** (City Clerk/Treasurer Erin Fisk)

Doug Plass, the incoming city clerk, will begin working regularly in September, but will be in the office 1-2 days a week until then.

**OPTION TAX REPORT:** (City Clerk/Treasurer Erin Fisk)

Option Tax Comparison Sheet shows the receipts for May and some for June. The receipts for the year are down about 10%.
TREASURER REPORT:

Financial Statements – The council requests information on the following items:
  - Why are the workman’s compensation premiums as high as they are?
  - What is included under miscellaneous expenses?
  - Should “Consulting Fees” be adjusted for the FY12 budget as none have come in for FY11?
  - What are the legal requirements regarding opening the budget to expend monies received from the Rural Business Enterprise Grant?

FY12 Budget – The council discusses adjustments to the budget in preparation for the contingency of the removal of the Option Tax by the voters. Breakfast meeting scheduled for Friday July 22nd at Sawtooth Luce’s to discuss FY12 budget.

CITY ATTORNEY: (Paul Fitzer, Stephanie Bonney, Carl Withroe)

No Report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Mumford closed the council meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Herb Mumford, Mayor

Doug Plass, City Clerk