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**City of Stanley
Public Hearing/Council Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2011**

Mayor Mumford called the Public Hearing to order at 5:15 p.m. Thursday, November 10, 2011 in the Stanley Community Building.

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:

Mayor Herb Mumford, Council President Steve Botti, Councilman Lem Sentz, Councilwoman Lauril Gadwa, and City Clerk Doug Plass.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Ellen Libertine, Melinda Hadzor, Sheriff's Deputy Justin Mitchell, Amanda Matthews, Anna Means, Kent Krohn, Amy Klingler, Ken Dizes, Alison Beechert, Barbara Garcia, and Charlie Thompson.

PUBLIC HEARING: Proposed Variance for the Salmon River Clinic to construct a roof extension within Niece Avenue.

Mayor Mumford – The clinic desires this extension to protect the public as it enters the clinic, as there is limited space.

City Clerk Doug Plass – After consulting with the Association of Idaho Cities, it appears that a variance will not be necessary to achieve this roof extension. A license agreement for the use of the city street right-of-way will be sufficient, as a variance has already been granted for construction in the city street setback.

Council President Botti – As the code section doesn't provide for a variance, we cannot grant one.

Kent Krohn – The clinic appreciate the variance that was granted earlier. The existing ramp actually protrudes into the city street. The plan is to keep all the construction touching the ground within the clinic property. The area protruding into the street will be all above the ground and a maximum OF 2'-8"

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mumford called the City Council meeting to order at 5:25 p.m. Thursday, November 10, 2011.

MAYOR COMMENTS/UPDATE:

Salmon River Electric has finishing burying power lines up at the park this week near the maintenance shed.

Stanley to Redfish Trail – Although the trail easement running through the Piva property remains in effect, the Forest Service was unable to acquire the portion of the Piva property east of the trail. This property would be used for parking for the trailhead, and eliminate any concerns about cattle moving across the trail. Barbara Garcia reports that there is currently no money available for trail planning, but a grant has been applied for. The Forest Service hopes to find money to begin flagging the trail easement at the very least. As the conservation easement is still in place, the trail will eventually be built.

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The Option Tax Ballot Measure was approved in the November 8th election. We are waiting for confirmation from the county to make it official. The Mayor is please that greater than 68% of the community approved the tax renewal.

The Stanley School Parents Association will be holding its annual Community Service day on November 18th. Winter Clothing will be collected, and free lunch will be served.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: Under Idaho Code 67-2343(4)(b)and(c) Council President Botti moves to include a discussion and vote on licensing the Salmon River Clinic roof extension in the city street.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council President Botti – The Army Corps of Engineers has completed floodplain mapping projects along Valley Creek and its tributaries within the City of Stanley. His work was done at no cost to the city. The National Flood Insurance Program will likely be coming to assess this work. An application for completing the floodplain mapping along the Salmon River corridor will be forthcoming.

PRESENTATION:

Ken Dizes (Salmon River Electric Cooperative) – Announces that 2012 has been declared the year of the cooperative. The SREC board met on November 7th to authorize the retirement of some cooperative fund money to cooperative members. This happens periodically as older obligations are discharged, and newer ones are created.

He reports that a favorable wholesale power rate agreement has been entered into by SREC, and retail power rates have held steady despite pressures to increase them. These pressures include legal costs, and the Office of Management and Budget's pressuring for market rates that would result in an exfacto tax on consumers.

Early June has been set for maintenance work which will cause power outages in the Stanley area. He assures the community that the public will be informed well in advance. He acknowledges that last year's scheduled power outages were not handled as well as they could have been.

SREC will be implementing automated meter reading in the spring. All the meters have been deployed and they are fine tuning communication links and debugging the software.

SREC is developing an integrated resource plan. They hope that their participation in the Stanley Geothermal Development Initiative will provide the possibility for power generation in Stanley. Also, the use of 'Smart Grid' technology is being investigated.

SREC will be participating in the changing of streetlights to high efficiency LED lights which produce much less glare than the current lights. At the City of Stanley's direction SREC will be changing the lights and providing the labor free of charge. The Bonneville Power Administration will be offering a rebate of \$100 per light, bringing the cost down to \$125 per new LED Streetlight.

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COUNCIL ACTION ITEM LIST:

The Council Item Action List has been updated for the first time since December 2009, with completed task being removed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Council President Botti moves to approve the bills for November, pre-paid bills for November, and the October 13th Council Meeting minutes. Councilwoman Gadwa 2nd. All approved. Motion passes.

BUILDING PERMITS:

Spencer Strand – application for River1 sign permit. The sign has been constructed, but has never received a permit. Mr. Strand acknowledges that the sign is larger than the code allows, but would like to find a way to get it approved so that he is in compliance. Council President Botti moves to deny the sign permit due to the size with the understanding that the Council is willing to consider granting a variance if officially requested. Councilwoman Gadwa 2nd. All approved. Motion passes.

CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF’S REPORT

The county reports activity for October, with 2 dispatches of the Stanley Ambulance, 1 dispatch of the Stanley Fire Department, 13 dispatches of the Sheriff’s Deputy in Stanley, and 3 dispatches of the Stanley City Police.

STREETS AND ROADS: (Mayor Mumford)

Winter snowplowing activities have begun. The community is encouraged to submit any comments on this activity to the Stanley City Clerk.

COMMUNITY BUILDING: (Mayor Mumford)

The Heat Pump work funded by the Energy Efficiency Block Grant is ongoing. Hiddleston Drilling and Pump Company has begun the process of burying a ground loop heat exchange system 10’ beneath the Community Center parking lot.

Councilwoman Gadwa expresses concern over the color that the Visitor Center’s sign has been painted. Mayor Mumford reminds her that the sign color was previously approved as it is the official color of highway information signs. Councilwoman Gadwa suggests that in the future it may be possible to locate the sign in the flower beds oriented perpendicular to the highway. It is suggested that perhaps Local Highway Technical Assistance Council money may be available for such a project.

AD HOC COMMITTEES:

- Groomer Committee: (Mayor Mumford) – Brett Wooley will be operating the groomer this winter. There will soon be a groomer committee meeting to discuss the upcoming season.
- CEDA Report: (Mayor Mumford)
See attached report.

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- Gem Committee: (Charlie Thompson) – Charlie Thompson says that in light of the failure of the Forest Service to acquire the property that contained the preferred site for the Stanley to Redfish trailhead, trail parking will most likely need to be on city property. He asks that the Mayor and Council advise the Gem Committee on what they should be discussing to that end. Mayor Mumford says that what is needed most is the creation of an integrated park plan. Charlie Thompson reports that there will be a Gem Committee meeting in December to discuss updating the park plan including placement of an amphitheater and the trailhead.
- Chamber of Commerce: (Ellen Libertine) – Ellen Libertine reports that she will be attending the snowmobile show in Boise and is collecting brochure from winter businesses to take with her. She says that the Mountain Village Resort will be participating as well and will hold a drawing for food and/or lodging.

NEW BUSINESS:

Salmon River Clinic Licensing Agreement – Council President Botti moves that the City enter into a licensing agreement with the Salmon River Clinic for encroachment of up to 3' into Niece Avenue. Councilwoman Gadwa 2nd. All approved. None opposed. Motion passes.

City of Stanley Vehicle Use Policy – The city clerk has developed a vehicle use policy with the help of ICRMP. Adoption of this policy and entering into the ICRMP discount program will allow the city to obtain a discount on its insurance premiums. Council President Botti asks what the legal justification for the Law Enforcement cell phone use exception is. The city clerk says he will research that issue. Council President Botti motions to approve the policy subject to the noted clarification. Councilwoman Gadwa 2nd. All approved. Motion passes.

CITY CLERK REPORT: (City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass)

The city office will be closed on November 14th in observance of Veteran's Day, and on November 25th for Thanksgiving.

OPTION TAX REPORT: (City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass)

Option Tax receipts for FY11 have exceeded those from FY10. The clerk reports that when all delinquent taxes have been paid, the receipts should be 1-2% higher.

TREASURER REPORT:

State Investment Pool, Check Register, and Accounts Receivable reports were provided to the Council and Mayor as well as the current budget financial statements. The Treasurer has gone over the Check Register and Accounts receivables for the previous year and has found some items that were not previously included. Therefore, those documents are all updated. The Treasurer reports that \$20000 has just been moved from the checking account into the Local Governments Investment Pool. Unless unforeseen events occur, this money should be able to remain. After \$40000 were removed from the LGIP in FY11, this is good news.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mayor Mumford adjourned the City Council meeting at approximately 7:20pm.

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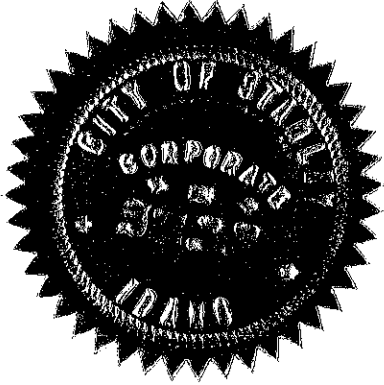
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Herb Mumford, Mayor

ATTEST:



Doug Plass, City Clerk



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