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**City of Stanley
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2012**

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mumford calls the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: Councilmember Gadwa motioned to amend the agenda to include a report and request from the Sawtooth Interpretive and Historical Association. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

MAYOR COMMENTS/UPDATE:

Mayor Mumford announces that the Sawtooth Mountain Mamas will be hosting the Stanley Sawtooth Cowboy Poetry and Music Gathering on September 14th and 15th at various locations around the area. Also, the annual Fireman's Ball at Redfish Lake Lodge will be held on September 22nd and the organizers are still accepting donations for the silent auction. The Challis FFA is now holding its annual potato and onion sale. If you purchase potatoes or onions, they will arrange to have them brought up to the Stanley area.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council President Botti would like to thank the NIMO team for the work that they have done in protecting the community from the Halstead Fire. He appreciates their candor and honesty at meetings, and their professionalism and dedication. He then asks the council to consider sending a letter that he has drafted to the supervisors of the Sawtooth and Salmon-Challis National Forests expressing the thanks of the Stanley City Council. The clerk reads the letter. Councilmember Gadwa motions to approve sending the letter. Councilmember Hadzor seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

Bob Houseman (Incident Commander of the Phoenix NIMO team) expresses that it has been an honor to serve the Stanley Community. He says that the fire has presented a significant challenge and the more than 1600 people have cycled through the fire. He thanks the city for their cooperation and understanding.

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:

The clerk reads two emails from Rebecca Arnold that are included in the minutes.

COUNCIL ACTION ITEM LIST:

The Council Action Item List is in need of review, and a work session is scheduled for October 4th at 3:00 pm in the City Office to review the CAIL and work on the Building Permit Form.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The July 12th Council Meeting Minutes, July 17th Budget Workshop Minutes, August 9th Hearing and Council Meeting Minutes, August 14 Large Events Work Session Minutes, bills for September, and pre-paid bills for August and September are on the Consent Agenda.

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Councilmember Gadwa and Council president Botti suggest minor corrections to the July 12th and August 9th minutes. Councilmember Gadwa motions to approve the Consent Agenda. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

Mayor Mumford reports that the City of Stanley has been pursuing hiring a part-time police officer, and two qualified candidates have approached the city. He will keep the Council and public informed as to developments. He also notes that a report of law enforcement activity has been received from the County Sheriff and the highlights can be found in the Challis Messenger.

STREETS AND ROADS:

Mayor Mumford is thankful to the NIMO team for watering the city streets to compensate for their increased use. He had asked that they be sure to water Wall Street and the Airport Road, but they have been taking care of much more than that.

AD HOC COMMITTEES:

- Groomer Committee – Gary Gadwa reports that to the best of our knowledge the new groomer that we are expecting is still coming through.
- CEDA– Mayor Mumford reports that he missed the last meeting, but the main area of advancement for CEDA is continued work on the Challis Community Events Center.
- Gem Committee: No report at this time.
- Chamber of Commerce: No report at this time.
- Code Review: (Council President Botti): The Council would like to continue to work on the Building Permit Form. In particular, a form would like to be developed that captures as much useful information as possible, while clarifying which items are requirements and which are optional.

- SIHA: Gary Gadwa reports that members of the Shaw family have expressed top him that they feel Preston Shaw was overlooked when the streets of Stanley were named after pioneering people from the area. Preston Sahw was on the committee that brought Highway 93 from Canada southward. He was instrumental in getting the power lines brought to Stanley in 1954. He was on the School Board in Custer County and accomplished getting the Quonset Hut built as a school. He also organized a mirror system that allowed him to see traffic at the rock garage while it was run as a service station. Gary Gadwa would like the council to consider renaming a street in Stanley after Preston Shaw. He suggests that Airport Road would be a good possibility.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Report on Stanley Street Dance Series. John Graham reports that the Stanley Street Dance Series was successful in its second year. Eleven dances were held with a couple of additions from the previous year including the 4th of July and Mountain Mamas weekend. Approximately 2400 people attended which is a sizeable increase from 1500 people the first year. He would like to thank James Denhart, Huck Adams, the Back Country Bistro, Sawtooth Valley Rural Fire Department and other who helped to make the dances successful. There were a number of good bands including local and national acts. The Halstead Fire knocked the steam out of the dances a bit during August. There were no Law Enforcement or EMS problems. Next year, he would like to hold 12-15

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events. The Street Dance Series is looking for more sponsors, as some of the bands that he would like to bring in, such as *Micky and the Motorcars*, are quite a bit more expensive than could be currently afforded. The Mayor thanks John Graham and the other businesses that were involved for putting this series on.

- Sawtooth Music Festival – Request for application of \$500 from the Community Relations section of the budget toward their park fees from the 2012 event. Mayor Mumford expresses his wish that the money in question be applied toward the extensive work that was done on Airport Road, as a great deal of effort was put forth in order to complete the reconstruction of that road in time for its use by the SMF attendees.

Council President Botti says that he would like to see the City of Stanley support the Sawtooth Music Festival, and therefore motions to apply \$500 toward their park fees. Councilmember Gadwa seconds.

Mayor Mumford states that the Sawtooth Music Festival didn't represent their park usage appropriately and didn't collect Option Tax on all of the things that they were required to. Councilmember Hadzor asks if someone could explain the history of this budget item to her as she was not on the Council until this year. Mayor Mumford says that the item was put in the budget to allow the City to do something that directly benefits the Sawtooth Music Festival, while providing lasting value to the residents of the City of Stanley. He says that the budget item does not represent an obligation for the City to do something, but rather an opportunity to fund something if the council desires.

With no further discussion, a vote is held. All approve. The motion passes. Council President Botti suggests that in the future, the council be specific beforehand about what type of support is appropriate and communicate their intent to the SMF organizers. He further states that if the Council wants to support the roads and park, it need not be done through the SMF. He suggests that the Council take another look at this in the future.

- Community Building – On behalf of the Stanley School Parents Association, Doug Plass asks the Council to waive the fees for the use of the Community Building on October 31st for a Halloween celebration, and on November 9th for the annual Stanley School Community Service Day. He says that once again, the students will be preparing and serving lunch to anyone in the community who wants it. More details will follow. Council member Gadwa moves to waive the fee. Council member Hadzor seconds. All approved. Motion passes.
- Building Permit #812 – Fencing for Niece Smiley Creek LLC property. Council member Gadwa motions to approve #812. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.
- Building Permit #813 – Excavation and Foundation construction for garage/outbuilding for Niece Smiley Creek LLC. Council member Gadwa suggests editing the permit application to include the word 'outbuilding' so that the different permits are in accordance with out another. Keith Reese, for the applicant, assents. Council member Gadwa moves to approve Building Permit #813 with the noted correction. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

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- Building Permit #814 – Generator pad for Niece Smiley Creek LLC. Council member Gadwa asks if there will be a building associated with the generator. Keith Reese replies that there will not be a building. Council member Gadwa motions to approve Building Permit #814. Council President Botti seconds. All approved. Motion passes.
- Keith Reese suggests a number of improvements in the Niece Avenue right of way that he feels would benefit the City of Stanley and the development of the Niece Smiley Creek LLC property. First, the property owners would like to install an underground 8' x 32' fiberglass cistern in the Niece avenue right of way. The cistern would sit under the frost line with the piping coming out on the Niece Smiley Creek LLC property. This project would be done at the expense of the property owners. Mayor Mumford says that he would like to know how deeply the cistern would need to be buried in order to allow traffic to drive over it. Keith Reese says that he will have Galena Engineering submit drawings to the City Engineer for approval before beginning the project. An agreement between Niece Smiley Creek LLC and the City of Stanley would be needed to install the cistern, and if the cistern were given to SVRFD, a license agreement between the City of Stanley and SVRFD will be needed as well to allow it to remain. Council member Gadwa asks how long it would take to install such a thing. Keith Reese replies that 2-3 days of excavation of the parking area will be all that is needed.

Next, Keith proposes building a 5 foot gravel walkway in the right of way with removable parking barriers to ensure that cars do not park in it and to encourage perpendicular parking. He further asks that the City consider establishing a handicapped parking area in front of where the courtyard is. This would include the city providing signage as well. Council President Botti asks if Keith is proposing a 5' walkway in addition to the 19' parking area. Keith confirms the dimensions.

Council President Botti motions to approve the concept of placing a cistern as proposed within the parking area within the city street subject to engineering approval and subject to licensing requirements. Councilmember Sentz seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

- Cemetery Report - Council member Gadwa reports that she and Gary have designed Cremation/Memorial plots in the City Cemetery and that Dave Lesser is doing volunteer survey work for the City in the Cemetery. The ground radar survey located some areas that may need further sampling.

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

The Stanley City office will be closed for the annual ICCTFOA conference from 2 pm on September 18th through 8 am on September 25th. Due to vacation schedules, the December City Council Meeting will be rescheduled to December 6th at 6pm if there are no objections by the Council. No objections are raised.

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

The Option Tax comparison sheets with associated graphs, Local Government Investment Pool report, Check Register, Accounts Receivable Report, and Monthly

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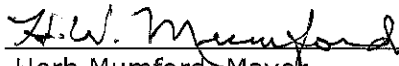
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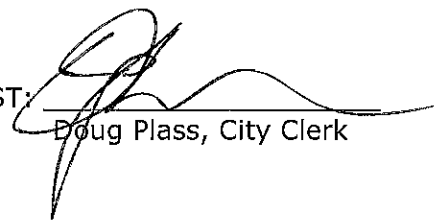
Budget to Actual Comparison are presented. There are no questions from the Council.

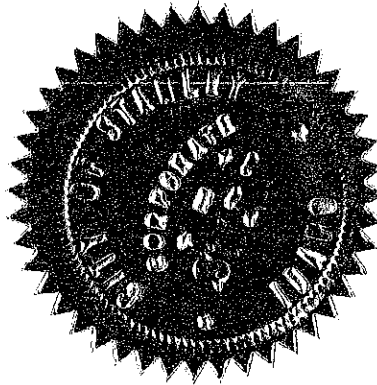
Treasurer Doug Plass reports that although the City is pursuing grant opportunities to fund the unfunded portions of the Community Building energy efficiency upgrade project, Hiddleston Drilling is still owed nearly \$50000 by the City of Stanley and he would like permission to pay the invoice amounting to \$11,310.99 as it is outstanding from August 2011. Any grant funds received in excess of the remainder owed would then be applied toward that invoice. Council member Sentz motions to release 11,310.99 to Hiddleston Drilling. Councilmember Gadwa seconds. All approved. Motion passes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Mumford adjourns the meeting at 7:37 pm.


Herb Mumford, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Doug Plass, City Clerk



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9/13/2012 MINUTES

From: rebarnold@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2012 3:53 PM
To: cityclerk@ruralnetwork.net
Subject: testimony for September 13, 2012 meeting - Keith Reese Proposals

Please read this email into the record during the portion of the meeting listed on the agenda as Keith Reese proposals.

As a taxpayer in Stanley, I am opposed to using any city funds or resources for parking improvements or other improvements in connection with the development on the Niece Smiley Creek LLC property. With regard to the proposed restrooms: while I think it is commendable that the developer would be willing to make this service available to the public 24 hours a day, there is no way to measure how much of the use would be by tourists and the public other than patrons of the library, restaurant and other businesses on the Niece Smiley Creek LLC property and even if it could be measured, it is not appropriate to use public funds to maintain private property. Accordingly, I object to any use of city funds in connection with the restrooms on their private property.

thank you.

Sincerely, Rebecca Arnold(208) 841-2530

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From: rebarold@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2012 4:15 PM
To: cityclerk@ruralnetwork.net
Subject: public comment for September 13, 2012 meeting

Please read this email during the public comment portion of tonight's council meeting.

Regarding Ron Gillette and his comments during the August, 2012 council meeting regarding the fill material located on my property, please advise Mr Gillette that I have valid building permits to place fill material on my property. I find it surprising that Mr Gillette would complain about anyone else's property since his property - the Triangle C and the property behind - is an eyesore and a nuisance with all of his junked sheepherder's wagons and rusted items scattered all over it and his unfinished building (foundation with metal sticking up). Mr Gillette salvages, repairs and sells old sheepherder's wagons and other antique items. In reviewing the Stanley Municipal code, I do not see that salvage yard or junk yard is a permitted use on any property in Stanley. Accordingly, Mr Gillette must be conducting this activity without a business permit to do so. Please accept this letter as a formal complaint about the condition of Mr. Gillette's property as I consider it an eyesore and a nuisance, particularly the back portion with all the dilapidated sheepherder's wagons, rusted metal and junk sitting around, and please accept this letter as a formal request to have Mr Gillette clean up his property and comply with the zoning requirements and the business permit requirements. I will submit some photos by separate email.

Incidently, I purchased an antique crosscut saw and some antique branding irons from Mr Gillette at his place of business at the Triangle C - would you please check to see if he reported such retail sales on his option tax report and paid the option taxes? If not, perhaps, in the interest of fairness, the Mayor and council would like to subject Mr Gillette to the same interest, penalties and harassment that you subjected Mr Hosac to in connection with a late option tax payment.

thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Rebecca Arnold(208) 841-2530

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READ BY S.B. INTO COUNCIL COMMENTS SECTION

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Mr. Frank Guzman
Supervisor
Salmon Challis National Forest

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Dear Mr. Guzman,

The Halstead Fire, which has burned over 150,000 acres, is now in its final stages before being extinguished by the autumn rains and snows. This fire, which started on July 27, presented many challenges for the National Forest, the fire overhead team, and the City of Stanley. Through most of this time, the fire has been managed by Bob Housman's NIMO team, under your supervision and direction.

The City Council wishes to recognize the dedicated and professional job accomplished by the NIMO team. In particular, its successful efforts to secure the southern perimeter of the fire to protect Stanley, the powerline serving the Stanley and Sawtooth valleys, and other structures and values at risk in the area deserve special commendation. Despite many difficult days facing rapidly spreading crown fire driven by unpredictable winds, the team demonstrated great insight with its strategy and tactics. The Incident Action Plans each morning always reiterated the team objective of fighting fire at the right place, at the right time, with the right resources. This is exactly what the team accomplished. Extreme fire behavior precluded any attempt to directly attack the head of the fire without placing personnel at unnecessary risk, so the team deployed resources where they could be most effective in protecting values and in a way that did not compromise firefighter safety.

We realize that this successful outcome resulted from the actions of many firefighters, engine crews, aircraft pilots and supply personnel from all over the country. They labored on the front lines, and the city never had the chance to personally interact with and thank them as it did with the NIMO team. Nevertheless, the city recognizes that they are equally deserving of credit and thanks for their contributions to this effort.

Although we hope that the city does not face another large fire event in the near future, it is good to know that highly trained firefighting professionals such as Housman's NIMO team, and all who served under that team, are ready to serve when that day comes.

Sincerely yours,

Stanley City Council

Steve Botti,
Laurii Gadwa
Melinda Hadzor
Lem Sentz

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