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**City of Stanley
Informational Meeting
September 5, 2012 – 5:30 pm**

The work session was called to order at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, September 5, 2012 in the Stanley Community Room.

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE CITY:

Mayor Herb Mumford, Councilmember Melinda Hadzor, Councilmember Laurii Gadwa, Councilmember Lem Sentz and City Clerk/Treasurer Doug Plass.

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Keith Reese, Michelle Wetzel, Jim Wetzel, Alison Beechert, and Ellen Libertine.

ACTIVITY IN CITY RIGHTS OF WAY:

Mayor Mumford introduces the issue by saying that there is a lot of activity occurring around the construction site on the corner of Niece and Critchfield and this meeting is an opportunity to explain some of that activity and hear proposals for some future projects including the installation of a cistern for fire protection.

Keith Reese begins by outlining some of the issue with regard to streets in Stanley. He notes that we are blessed with wide streets and that about 32% of the original Stanley town site is contained in street rights of way. He says that drainage is a problem because the streets are higher than the adjoining properties, and water flows into properties rather than out of them. The solution he proposes is to follow the street plans that have been around for quite some time where a low point is established between parking areas and driving lanes. He thinks that with the width of the streets, perpendicular parking, walkways, vehicle traffic and appropriate drainage can be accomplished. Perpendicular parking provides the most effective use of the parking areas and allow for the largest number of cars to be parked. He acknowledges that the narrower width of Critchfield will not allow the same arrangement as Niece Avenue. He says that it would be best to allow some sort of turn-around at the end of Critchfield.

Michelle Wetzel notes that parking in all the areas that Keith is proposing will make it difficult to clear snow in the wintertime.

Keith says that the recent work that was done in the city street was poorly communicated by him. He instructed JC Anderson to go ahead with some excavation before getting it all approved by the City. The end result of the work is to allow surface drainage to occur both around and within the property.

Keith feels that the drainage plan as outlined in the Street plan should be followed around town whenever possible.

There is a discussion of drainage off of Merritt Lane and how best to move that water through town.

Keith presents a proposal to designate a handicapped parking stall on Niece Avenue adjacent to the proposed courtyard and near the new library. This would allow for access to the library and keep the courtyard open for pedestrian traffic.

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Keith Reese and Michelle Wetzel discuss issues regarding work by Niece Smiley Creek LLC in the Street rights of way.

Keith then presents a proposal to install a 10,000 gallon fiberglass cistern under a portion of Niece Avenue to be used for fire protection by SVRFD. Ellen Libertine wonders whether it should be put under the city street, or whether it is better to put it under private land such as the one located on her property. Councilmember Gadwa asks what the cistern could impede in the future if it were in the proposed location. Keith Reese says that one issue that could occur is if the City wanted to install storm drains or other underground infrastructure, the cistern would need to be worked around. The cost of installing the cistern, which would be borne by Niece Smiley Creek LLC, is estimated at \$25,000-30,000. The cistern would be a cylinder 6' in diameter and 32' long. After installation, it would be donated to SVRFD.

Keith asks what steps are necessary to approve the installation. After consultation with the City Engineer regarding the specifications of the cistern and its installation, a permit would need to be granted to Niece Smiley Creek LLC for the work in the city street. A license would then need to be developed for SVRFD to allow it to remain and be used. It is suggested that the City Attorney be consulted regarding any liability issues.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was called to a close at 12:05 PM.

H.W. Mumford
Herb Mumford, Mayor

ATTEST:
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City Clerk, Doug Plass



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