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McCall City Council Regular Meeting July 13, 2006

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Robertson called the regular meeting of the McCall City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Council Member Bailey, Council Member Bertram, Council Member Kraemer, and Mayor Robertson answered roll call. Council Member Scott was present via telephone. Mayor Robertson declared a quorum was present.

Christopher Gabbert, City Attorney, was present.

City staff members present were Lindley Kirkpatrick, City Manager; Carol Coyle, Grant Coordinator; Linda Stokes, Acting Finance Director; Michelle Groenevelt, Community Development Planner; Rick Harvey, Airport Manager; Brock Heasley, Parks & Recreation Director; Anne Kantola, Library Director; Brenda Loftis, Human Resource Director; Roger Millar, Deputy City Manager; Allan Morrison, Golf Pro; David Simmonds, Information Systems Manager; and Jerry Summers, Chief of Police.

Mayor Robertson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORTS

Mr. Kirkpatrick announced that he had just received word that Russell Antonucci had pled guilty to one count of aggravated battery, and that the case would not go to trial. Mr. Kirkpatrick said Mr. Antonucci had been sentenced to two years in prison with eight years parole.

Mr. Kirkpatrick said that the budget process was moving forward. He said that the budget had been balanced and that Council would be receiving a copy along with a memo outlining the changes that had been made. He said the goal was to adopt the tentative budget on July 20 and hold the public hearing on August 10, with final adoption at a later date. He said a special meeting was also scheduled for July 20 with the sewer board, but the location had not yet been determined. He said that a 1 p.m. meeting was scheduled for Friday, July 21, to discuss the special use permit for the Fish Pen Docks and for the budget adoption, if needed. He said that next Wednesday at 3 p.m. the Council was scheduled for an Executive Session regarding litigation, to be held in Legion Hall.

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that the Neighborhood Housing group was working on the details for the lease terms with the City and would be presenting their lease proposal to staff next week.

Council Member Bertram asked if Neighborhood Housing was working with the Housing Authority. Mr. Kirkpatrick said they would be working with the Housing Authority for screening and selection of buyers. Council Member Bertram asked if she was permitted to call Tom Lay of Neighborhood Housing directly with questions. Mr. Kirkpatrick said that would probably be the quickest way to get information at this point. Mr. Millar, Deputy City Manager, said that Neighborhood Housing would be sending a proposal to the City for consideration and staff would then present it to Council.

There was further discussion concerning the plans for affordable housing.

Mr. Kirkpatrick discussed the progress on the Waste Water Facility Plan. He said there had been good involvement and input from the committees that had met so far. Mr. Millar said the rate structure and connection fee were based on the cost of operating the system for the next several years until a new plant would be in place, and also based on the capital improvements needed to keep that system in place.

Mr. Kirkpatrick noted that the City of McCall's 95th Birthday Celebration would be on Wednesday, July 19, at noon, in Veterans Park.

Mr. Kirkpatrick said the Consolidated Department Head Monthly Report was included in the Council's binders, and that most of the department heads were present and available for questions.

There was discussion concerning a few of the items on the report.

Council Member Bailey said the Code Enforcement Officer, Cheryl Rabe, was doing an excellent job. She complimented Chief Summers on enforcing parking regulations in the downtown area.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Robertson called for public comment at 6:37 p.m.

Rod Miller, 773 Chad Loop, said that people were driving on the east and south sides of the pond, from Boydston to Chad Loop, explaining that it was not a road and it was a dangerous situation. He asked that one end of the road be blocked. Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that this problem had already been noted and that the road would be blocked with boulders just beyond the point necessary for Seubert's use. Mr. Miller also discussed the need for mosquito control around the pond and asked that the City spray that area.

Tamara Sandmeyer, new owner of Timberline Cottage, asked that the sign post in front of the store be relocated to allow for better parking. Mr. Kirkpatrick asked her if she had contacted the Public Works Department and she responded that she had not. He said the request would be forwarded to Public Works.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Robertson closed the public comment section 6:45 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Staff recommended approval of the following items:

- ❖ Payment Approval List for Warrant Register printed on July 7, 2006
- ❖ Payroll Reports for Pay Period Ending June 16, 2006
- ❖ AB 06-116 Alcohol Beverage License (New) – Heartland Deli & Forrester Club
- ❖ AB 06-128 Alcohol Beverage Catering Permits
- ❖ AB 06-126 Modified Exhibit A for Hangar Solutions Lease
- ❖ AB 06-129 Transfer the assignment of the Hangar Solutions lease with the City of McCall to Idaho First Bank
- ❖ AB 06-130 Idaho Attorney General's representation of the City

Council Member Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda as discussed and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents. Council Member Bertram seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Council Member Bailey, Council Member

Bertram, Council Member Kraemer, Mayor Robertson, and Council Member Scott voted aye. The motion carried.

BUSINESS AGENDA

AB 06-127 McCall Marketing Program and FOX Channel 12 presentation. Nadine Busher and Gayle Winnett presented a marketing campaign sponsored by FOX Channel 12 to promote Valley County and Valley County cities through television and website promotion. Ms. Busher said the campaign would be called “Drive 55” and was scheduled to start August 1. Ms. Busher said that the McCall advertisements would include five spots each month on FOX Channel 12’s 9 p.m. news program and fifteen daytime spots each month.

Council Member Bertram recommended doing the six-month program for McCall. She explained that she wanted to see McCall specifically identified, rather than included with Valley County advertisements. She also stated that this campaign would be a good project to be funded through the Local Option Tax.

Council Member Bailey said he would like to try the campaign for six months and then see what feedback was received.

Council Member Kraemer said he saw the advantages of this type of advertising for the golf course but was not sure of the benefit it would be to the City.

Council Member Scott said she liked the process but believed it would be more appropriate for the Chamber of Commerce to sponsor it. She said it would be beneficial to fund it in partnership with the Chamber.

There was discussion concerning whether or not the Chamber of Commerce should participate in this advertising program. Council decided to have Mr. Kirkpatrick talk to the Chamber to see if they wanted to participate.

Council Member Kraemer said he would rather spend the Council’s contingency fund on other projects such as sidewalks. Council Member Bertram said that if McCall had more business during the period of mid-August through October, more money would be available through the Local Option Tax money that could be used for advertising programs. Council Member Bailey agreed with Council Member Kraemer’s suggestion and that they needed to find other means to raise money to fund projects such as completing the bike path and putting in sidewalks.

Council Member Bailey moved to authorize the City Manager to fund the advertising program for six months using council contingency dollars and to

coordinate with the Chamber of Commerce for their participation. Council Member Bertram seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Council Member Bailey voted aye, Council Member Bertram voted aye, Council Member Scott voted aye, Council Member Kraemer voted nay, and Mayor Robertson voted aye. The vote was four to one in favor, and the motion carried.

AB 06-124 Purchase four Bushmaster BCEA2F16M4 Rifles and four thirty-round magazines, and trade in four used Mini 14, one used Ruger Security Six and one used Glock 27

Jerry Summers, Chief of Police, introduced the request, and explained that the purpose was to replace items that were worn and obsolete and to purchase upgraded items.

Council Member Bertram asked whether these items could just be purchased without Council approval. Mr. Kirkpatrick explained that the older items had to be declared surplus by the Council before new ones could be purchased.

Council Member Bailey moved to declare the used firearms as surplus and authorize purchase of the new Bushmaster rifles and magazines. Council Member Kraemer seconded the motion. All in favor voted aye, and the motion carried.

The Council complimented Chief Summers on the department's handling of the Fourth of July activities and that they had succeeded in maintaining a calm atmosphere.

AB 06-34 Contract for remodeling of the McCall Senior Center

Mr. Kirkpatrick explained that Stock Construction had been the only bidder on the Senior Center contract. He also noted that there had been a change added to the contract concerning the work on the flooring that did not involve a change in the cost. Mr. Gabbert pointed out other changes that had been made to the contract.

Council Member Bailey asked if staff was familiar with Stock Construction and had received any recommendations for them. Mr. Kirkpatrick said they had been recommended. Mr. Gabbert said they would check the State's website to check on Stock Construction's license.

Council Member Bertram asked where the money for the remodeling was coming from. Mr. Kirkpatrick explained that the money had already been budgeted in the general fund and that more money had been budgeted in the budget amendment.

Council Member Kraemer moved to approve the amended contract for the Senior Center remodeling project to Stock Construction and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents. Council Member Scott seconded the motion.

Council Member Bailey offered an amendment to the motion to add the wording, “subject to verification of their public work’s license.” All Council members agreed to the amendment.

In a roll call vote, Council Member Kraemer, Council Member Scott, Council Member Bertram, Council Member Bailey and Mayor Robertson all voted aye, and the amended motion carried.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Council Member Bertram commented on some items from the Local Option Tax (LOT) Committee’s Minutes for May 16, 2006, and asked that the minutes provide more clarification in the descriptions of the approvals. She said she also wanted to have a future discussion concerning allocations for businesses outside the City limits.

Council Member Bertram informed Council that the McCall Improvement Committee (MIC) had completed a fund raiser at the golf course. She said she would like to see the MIC fund a small irrigation well to provide water for the plants and natural meadow around the “Welcome to McCall” sign on Highway 55. She said she would present this at the next MIC meeting. Tuck Miller addressed the Council and described an irrigation system that uses a large bladder of water and low pressure irrigation. Mr. Miller volunteered to install the system at the sign.

ADJOURNMENT

Without further business, Mayor Robertson moved to adjourn. Council Member Bailey seconded the motion. All members voted aye, and the motion carried. The Council adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

William A. Robertson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joanne E. York, City Clerk