

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 16, 2006**  
**CITY OF ST. ANTHONY**  
**420 NORTH BRIDGE, ST. ANTHONY, IDAHO**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bill Beck, Councilmembers Garth Rose, Shawn Fransen, Darby Merrill, Cathy Koon, Matt Blanchard, and Dee Rausch.

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Clerk-Treasurer Taci Stoddard, City Attorney Penny Stanford, Ted Hendricks of ECIPDA, and Robine Singleton of the Fremont County Library District Board.

**INDUSTRIAL PARK REVENUE PROPOSAL:** Ted Hendricks presented a new proposal for property sale revenue at the new Airport Industrial Park. This proposal, if accepted, would eliminate the previously accepted option at the last council meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The decision needs to be made at this council meeting because Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor needs to get the grant funds under contract this week or no later than Monday. The proposal is that ECIPDA would become a sub-grantee for the \$500,000 grant the City has been awarded, and then the grant fund portion of the sale of property in the industrial park would come back to ECIPDA as match to leverage additional funding for a revolving loan fund. The Council would have input in the scope and area those loan funds could be used for. However ECIPDA would not let money sit there if it wasn't used, but allow it to be used in other areas if it isn't used locally. It has the potential to become a 1 million dollar revolving load fund. USDA loan funds are available at 1%. The Council can elect to still do other proposal.

Mayor Beck stated he had spoken with Dianna Clough of Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor and that they felt it was a good idea because it keeps the grant funds going instead of stopping when the water and sewer project is done. ECIPDA has done these sub-grantee projects in other communities. Mayor pointed out that ECIPDA also has a good track record for administering revolving loan funds. The council discussed concerns about the money being loaned outside the area versus the fiscal responsibility of keeping the money moving. Hendricks stated those issues can be negotiated later on. City Attorney Stanford was consulted about the legality of changing to this proposal after already accepting a proposal at the previous meeting. She stated there are no legal concerns as it is grant money and not really the city's money anyway. The Council discussed the need for having money available for people to get loans to set up a business in the industrial park. ECIPDA will charge fees to manage the fund just like a bank would. A motion to leave the decision the way it was decided at the last council meeting made by Fransen, motion died for lack of 2<sup>nd</sup>. A motion to accept the new proposal with the stipulation that the conditions of the loan fund be negotiated made by Merrill. Motion was amended to include making ECIPDA a sub-grantee. Motion received a 2<sup>nd</sup>, Fransen opposed, all others in favor, motion carried by majority.

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK PROCLAMATION:** Robine Singleton, Vice-Chairman of the Fremont County Library Board, addressed the Council. She expressed appreciation for being able to use the council chambers for library story times. The

Board wants the Community to be aware of the libraries, and that their cards can be used at any of the three libraries. She announced they had received a grant and would be doing two county-wide newsletters. There will be a coupon in the upcoming newsletter to be used to enter a drawing for gift certificates. They will be holding a coloring contest with prizes for each area library. The Board wants people to be aware of the importance of children reading and be aware of all their local library resources. She asked the Mayor and Council to adopt a proclamation to celebrate National Library Week. Mayor Beck read the proclamation and proclaimed April 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup> National Library Week in the City of St. Anthony. A message will be placed on the City Marquee.

**ADDITIONAL BILLS:** Additional bills were presented for Council approval. A motion to pay was made by Merrill, 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion carried.

**MEETING CANCELATION:** A motion to cancel the council meeting scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup> made by Merrill, 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion carried.

**ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION:** Mayor Beck read a proclamation proclaiming April 28<sup>th</sup> as Arbor Day in the City of St. Anthony. Fransen asked if the Council could have discussion about the trees on Bridge Street, but that will need to be placed on a future council agenda. Fransen also reported the City will be getting some tree seedlings to be handed out to the children at the Arbor Day celebration.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Willard D. Beck, Mayor

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Taci Stoddard, City Clerk-Treasurer