

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
ST. ANTHONG CITY COUNCIL MEETING – DECEMBER 12, 2007
CITY OF ST. ANTHONY, IDAHO
420 NORTH BRIDGE, ST. ANTHONY, IDAHO

PRESENT: Mayor Willard D. Beck, Councilmembers Darby Merrill, Garth Rose, David Loomis, and Matt Blanchard. Councilmember Dee Rausch was excused, and Councilmember Fransen was absent.

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Bill Forsberg, Police Chief Jim Smith, Supt. of Public Works Scott Butigan, City Clerk-Treasurer Taci Stoddard, Councilmember-Elect Bryan Stoddard, Donald Powell, concerned citizens.

MIDNIGHT MUSCLE CAR CLUB: Donald Powell presented the City with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Midnight Muscle Car Club for the City's support of the 100 foot drags at the airport.

KENNEL LICENSE – KAREN HENDERSEN: A kennel license for Karen Hendersen at 44 South 9th West was presented for approval. All required signatures were obtained. A motion to approve was made by Rose, 2nd, all in favor, motion carried.

SPEED LIMIT ON WEST 4TH NORTH: A motion to change the speed limit on West 4th North back to the original 30 miler per hour, except in the school zone, was made by Loomis, 2nd, all in favor, motion carried.

UPPER VALLEY YOUTH (UVYA) PRESENTATION & REQUEST: Jeff Roderick, UVYA President, gave a presentation to the Mayor and Council on upcoming projects and plans that the organization has for the ball fields. Mayor Beck expressed appreciation on behalf of the City for all the hard work UVYA has done in improving the ball fields. Roderick thanked the City for all the work they do including moving and watering. He reviewed with the Council the past seasons activities and amount of use the ball fields received. He also informed the Council that the organization has spent over \$25,000 at the ball fields on such things as new fencing, and supplies for the dugout improvements. He also informed the Council that he has had comments that our ball fields are nicer than the "premiere" complex located in Bear Lake.

This year they are proposing a batting cage with a storage building. He has spoken with Supt. Butigan on the location for his approval. He presented a drawing of the proposed structure, which would be temporary and could be taken down and stored at the end of each season. He stated this would create a safer place for batting practice, and the storage building could store all the field maintenance equipment.

He stated he understands the limited budget of City, but feels that with the amount of influence UVYA has in community and amount of people the ball fields brings into town, he would like to see City be as generous as they can. Many community businesses and

members are sponsors. The costs of the batting cage and building are estimated to be \$6,000. Mayor Beck recommended looking at the City's Parks and Recreation Budget to see if there would be any funds available to assist in the project, and give an answer as to how much in January.

IMPACT AREA EXPANSION: The Mayor and Council discussed the Area of Impact and what areas outside of town should be included in the proposal for negotiation with Fremont County. It was decided that the area from 2100 East to 2600 East and 700 North South to 100 North would be included in the proposal. A motion to approve the area of impact as described and shown on the map made by Merrill, 2nd, Rose opposed, all others in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES: Minutes from the November 14th, 2007, Council Meeting were presented for Council approval. A motion to approve was made by Merrill, 2nd, all in favor, motion carried.

BILLS: Bills to be paid were presented for Council approval. After questions were answered a motion to approve was made by Merrill, 2nd, all in favor, motion carried.

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS DEPARTMENT REPORTS

MAYOR BECK

The Mayor reported the City received tax bills on properties up town that were deeded to the City this year by The Development Company. The Fremont County Commissioners had denied taking Development Company buildings off the tax rolls, so was deeded back to the City and then leased by the company. Fremont County didn't feel like deeds were done and recorded in a timely fashion. The City now owns property and therefore got the tax bills. The matter has been discussed by the Commissioners and final decisions are not made, but it does appear that the tax issue will be resolved.

COUNCILMEMBER ROSE

Councilmember Rose thanked the outgoing Councilmembers that will be leaving and stated he appreciated the good job they have done and the years of service they have contributed. Mayor Beck concurred.

The Search and Rescue/Sand Bar building was discussed and the need for some improvements including a new gas heater. That will done and should solve the current heating problems.

COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL

Merrill thanked everyone for all the help she had been given and wished the City good luck.

SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Supt. Butigan reported had had been talked to about a company renting space for an antenna at the Lagoon town. They may come to the 1st meeting in January with a proposal.

Butigan also reported the engine went out in the international dump truck, and he will be looking around to see what is available. The Council discussed setting a limit of not more than \$15,000 for a used truck.

CHIEF SMITH

The Chief reported the department has new uniforms. The work on the wireless system is progressing. The Mayor asked the Chief to talk to the school district and advise them to consider putting a chain link fence at the back of their building near the skatepark. The Chief also reported he is still working on the vehicle situation.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Willard D. Beck, Mayor

Attest:

Taci Stoddard, City Clerk-Treasurer