

*CITY OF ST. ANTHONY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – October 8, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.
420 NORTH BRIDGE, SUITE A, ST. ANTHONY, ID, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS*

PRESENT: Mayor Willard D. Beck, and Councilmembers Woody Anderson, Bryan Fullmer, Garth Rose, Dee Rausch, Bryan Stoddard

ABSENT: Councilmember Elva Powell

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Bill Forsberg, Police Chief Jim Smith, Public Works Superintendent Scott Butigan, City Clerk/Treasurer Patty Parkinson, Interested Citizens and Reporter Joyce Edelfsen from the Standard Journal.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Bill Beck.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by City Clerk/Treasurer Patty Parkinson.

PUBLIC COMMENT – The floor was opened by Mayor Beck for any other public comment.

Peggy Munk from the Humane Society asked how the dog pound was coming along and brought along a dog that had been rescued from the desert that is currently up for adoption. She reported that all rescued dogs are neutered or spayed before being adopted out. She said that they are currently trying to raise enough money to provide a contribution to the shelter to help pay for it.

Paul Scoresby, Project Manager of Schiess & Associates, gave an update on the Safe Routes to School Grant. He said that it had been submitted on time to the Idaho Transportation Department, but that somewhere along the way the forms were lost. Another copy was then hand delivered to them, thus the delay to get approval to proceed. Due to this delay it is unlikely that the project will start this fall. The base may still be laid this fall and then finish in the spring. The Design Project has been finished and DEQ approved. A letter from them is forthcoming. They are also preparing possible alternatives for the bridge design to use for a submission to ITD. There is a deadline of December to send in for that grant. Mr. Scoresby reported that they are prepared and stand ready to assist the city with anything we need if we decide to do any LTD work.

Julianne Hill handed out two letters to the council members regarding the renaming of a park in honor of past citizen and Mayor Boyd Yancey. Ms. Hill explained why she thought it was important to honor Boyd, as she felt he was more than a Mayor. He was a community leader very involved in the community, always representing it in many different ways, outlined in the letter. After Ms. Hill finished speaking, Mayor Beck expressed concern of running out of parks to name after mayors. Councilmember Fullmer expressed concern that taxpayer dollars would be spent in a way that would

only honor one mayor and that maybe private funds should be used to rename the park. Councilmember Anderson talked about an Honor Wall to honor all Mayors or to have one park that would be a Mayor's Memorial Park with a stone or plaque that could be on display. Councilmember Stoddard wanted to know if anyone in the audience had any objections or comment. Shawn Fransen, citizen, expressed his objections to renaming parks after people. He felt that renaming a street would be better. Jean Siddoway, citizen, expressed her approval of an Honor Wall. Will Rhea, citizen, expressed that Boyd wouldn't agree with renaming a park after him. One citizen, name unknown, suggested that the family create a scholarship in his honor.

Sherri Jackson, of Development Workshop, stood up and invited the Mayor and Councilmembers to a luncheon at the Red Lion Inn on October 30, 2008 for the annual Development Workshop. She asked that they save that date, as invitations were late getting out, but would be in the mail.

Mayor Beck then closed the public comment.

RESOLUTION TO ADD NEW CLERK TO INVESTMENT ACCOUNT – A resolution to open and maintain trading account(s) with Key Investment Services LLC and to operate such trading account(s), for the following individuals, Patty Unruh Parkinson, Clerk/Treasurer, April Baler, Deputy Clerk and Willard D. Beck, Mayor, was made my Councilmember Rose and seconded by Councilmember Fullmer. All councilmembers present voted in favor.

ANIMAL ORDINANCE: Chief Smith spoke about adding a section in the ordinance for cleaning up of animal fecal matter. He provided the council a copy of another city's ordinance for referral. Councilmember Fullmer spoke about the excessive fee for non fixed animals. He felt that it was more of a punitive charge for people who choose not to alter their animals. Mayor Beck entertained discussion from the audience. Shari Antel, citizen, spoke about the kennels they own and the boarding they provide. Ms. Antel encouraged the council to consider reducing that fee and try to educate pet owners on spaying or neutering their pet. She felt it would be better to fine those that neglect or abuse animals and then using the proceeds from that to help in education. Will Rhea, citizen, expressed concern about breeders and having to tag unaltered puppies. He was told that puppies less than four months were not required to purchase a tag. Councilmember Anderson requested that the fees be taken out of the ordinance and be set by resolution. City Attorney Forsberg pointed out the feces disposal section, added to the ordinance since last council meeting. The city council members requested that appendix one be removed and replaced with a resolution. A motion that fees for tags on an unaltered animal be changed from \$100 to \$30 with \$10 of that amount to be used for education on spaying and neutering was made by Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Rose seconded. All councilmembers present approved. A motion to eliminate the impound fees and replace with a resolution was made by Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Stoddard seconded. All councilmembers present approved. A motion to table the ordinance in order to rewrite the changes was made by

Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Anderson seconded. All councilmembers present approved.

GARBAGE ORDINANCE – A review of the changed garbage ordinance was introduced. Mayor Beck questioned the bagging of certain materials such as grass clippings, saying that it didn't seem reasonable. There was also a discussion on the meaning of can cleanliness. A motion to suspend the rules and read the ordinance by title only for the first reading was made by Councilmember Stoddard. Councilmember Fullmer second. All councilmembers present were in favor. Motion carried. Councilmember Anderson read the first reading by title only, making an exception to the bagging of trash, section 8.12.090, to strike the words "and shall be bagged before being placed into the container". A motion to pass on the first reading was made by Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Stoddard seconded. All councilmembers present were in favor. Motion carried. A motion to suspend the rules and read the ordinance by title only for a second and third reading was made by Councilmember Rose. Councilmember Fullmer seconded. All councilmembers present were in favor. Motion carried. Councilmember Anderson read the second and third readings by title only, making an exception to the bagging of trash, section 8.12.090, to strike the words "and shall be bagged before being placed into the container". A motion to pass the ordinance as read with the exception was made by Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Anderson seconded. The roll call vote was as follows: Councilmembers Powell, yes; Andersen, yes; Rose, yes; Fullmer, yes; Stoddard, yes. Councilmember Rausch, not present. Ordinance passed by majority. The ordinance will become effective after publication.

Shawn Fransen – Property Sales & Variances – Shawn Fransen, citizen, asked that council request Planning and Zoning to revisit the requirements for lot size. Right now they are set at 10,000 square feet. Fransen said that many lots are not that large and when lots are sold it requires the citizen to apply for variances and leaves the citizen to wonder if the variance will be approved or not. This in turn slows down sales of lots since people are wary of purchasing a lot and then having to apply for a variance that may or may not get approved for building. Councilmember Fullmer questioned the original purpose of requiring a 10,000 square foot lot. City Attorney Forsberg thought that it was just made a policy as it was probably used as a guide from other ordinances from other cities. Currently many existing residents do not meet this requirement. Planning and Zoning have discussed this topic and are looking to bring a proposal to council regarding this. A motion to table this until the Planning and Zoning Committee can provide Council with their recommendations was made by Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Rausch seconded. All councilmembers present voted in favor of the motion.

Web proposal – Mayor Beck requested that the Web proposal be tabled until the next meeting and instructed the clerk to provide a list of requirements and priorities for the Web proposers.

Parking Ordinance – Council began a review and discussion on the proposed parking ordinance. Councilmember Rausch questioned the proposed ordinance’s restrictions on trucks on city streets in front of the trucker’s residence. Rausch asked if a permit might be an acceptable alternative. Councilmember Anderson commented on gross weight regarding farm vehicles or motor vehicles with more than six wheels. Councilmember Fullmer had concerns about the heavy trucks on the already deteriorating roads and that the city isn’t currently able to come up with the money to fix them now, and questioned how we can save the roads from further damage by large semi trucks. City Attorney Forsberg suggested a possible heavy load fee. Councilmember Anderson said that the residential streets were not designed for trucks as there is no gutter and curb. The trucks that drive on the streets now are creating flexing and break up of the streets. There are several places in town where trucks have dug ruts into the street causing problems with drainage. Anderson said this ordinance would eliminate some of that problem. Mayor Beck talked about Ashton having certain truck routes assigned and the positive effect it’s had on their streets. Anderson suggested notifying truck drivers, parking in front of their houses, that they would be responsible for the damage that is caused. Beck suggested a “Grandfather Clause”, to allow those that are currently parking at their residences, to continue to do so, and then stopping any new ones. Fullmer suggested we continue to allow truck parking on residential streets until a road is fixed and then placing an ordinance in effect after a road is repaired. A motion to table the ordinance for the next meeting was made by Rose and seconded by Fullmer. All councilmembers present approved.

New Insurance for employees and changes – Councilmember Fullmer requested to revisit the buy down option on prescriptions that was approved at the last council meeting, expressing his concerns for fairness to each employee and the administrative costs of setting up a program to do so. A motion to rescind the buy down option on prescriptions was made by Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Anderson seconded. All councilmembers present were in favor.

Proposal for Annexation on S.E. side of town – Council reviewed the proposed annexation for the southeast side of town and viewed the maps. Mayor Beck explained that the darkened area shows the lots involved. A motion to move forward on the annexation as a category type A Annexation was made by Councilmember Stoddard. Councilmember Anderson seconded. All councilmembers present were in favor.

Mayor Memorial – Mayor Beck was in favor of a wall memorial and renaming a park after past Mayor and Citizen Boyd Yancey. Councilmember Fullmer fully supported a park being renamed for Boyd Yancey. A motion to renamed Fort Henry Park to Boyd Yancey Memorial Park was made by Councilmember Fullmer. Councilmember Stoddard seconded. Councilmembers Rausch and Stoddard were in favor. Councilmembers Rose and Anderson were not in favor. Anderson felt it singled out one person and Rose felt there were many others that also needed recognition. The motion passed with a 3-2 majority vote.

MINUTES – A motion to approve the meeting minutes of the September 10, 2008 and September 24, 2008 regular council meetings was made by Councilmember Rose. Councilmember Fullmer seconded. All councilmembers were in favor.

INVOICES - Payment Approval Reports were presented to Mayor and Council. Councilmember Anderson had some questions which were answered by Public Works Superintendent Butigan. A motion to approve the submitted invoices was made by Councilmember Anderson. Councilmember Fullmer seconded. All councilmembers present were in favor.

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Beck reported on a work meeting with ICRMP and review of the City's insurance policy. One building will be demolished since it is not used and old. This is a cinder block building and will be destroyed and filled in.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chief Smith reported on the buildings that still need secured. Fred Miyasaski will be tearing his down and the property by Woodcocks has been secured.

Public Works Superintendent Butigan reported that the roof is finished. Some of the heating units were pulled away from the ducting and he is requesting they come back to repair this. Butigan also reported problems with the south side well. The variable drive unit is not working.

Chief Smith reported that BrigeMaxx will be here to offer their services for free to the police department. Replacement trees will be purchased for around \$500. The new police car is here but does not have the decals. The decals are on their way.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. by Mayor Beck.

Attest:

Garth Rose, Council President

Patty Unruh Parkinson, City Clerk-Treasurer