

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2007**

**ATTENDANCE: City Council: Bruce Agrella, Mark MacDonald, Tom Jones, Mike Lies, Tom Corse, Fred Funke. Mayor Jules Clavadetscher presiding. City Attorney James Raymond present. Others Present: Nathan Lucke, Paul London, Carlisa London, Lee Manicke, Doug Chase, Rory Horning, Linda Sappington, Bonnie Manicke, Jon Schumaker.**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Pledge of allegiance and meeting brought to order at 7:15 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 30, 2007**

**B. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 2, 2007**

**C. ALAN BOOTH - TRAINING - CRIMES OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE - MAY 16-17 - HELENA, MT - ESTIMATED EXPENSES \$278 - DOUG CHASE**

**D. CLINT COTTLE - TRAINING - THREAT ASSESSMENT CLASS - MAY 23 - MISSOULA, MT - ESTIMATED EXPENSES \$135 - DOUG CHASE**

**E. JOAN RODRIGUEZ - TRAINING - COURT CLERK REGIONAL MEETING - MAY 4 - MISSOULA COURTHOUSE - ESTIMATED EXPENSES \$82.02 - DOUG OLSEN**

**F. KALA PARKER - MMCT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM - MAY 6-11 - BILLINGS, MT - ESTIMATED EXPENSES \$866 - AGGI LOESER**

**G. HIRING OF LAKE COUNTY DEPUTY SERGEANT WADE NASH @\$17.01/HR AS REPLACEMENT OFFICER FOR RETIRING JOHN FAIRCHILD - DOUG CHASE**

**Councilman MacDonald motioned to accept the Consent Agenda items A-G. Councilman Jones seconded. Councilman Lies suggested a 3-5 year contract for Officer Nash because of his previously short employment for the city after the city had trained him. Councilman MacDonald stipulated that was probably a result of wages at the time and noted Officer Nash has all of his certifications and has been doing a good job for the Sheriff's Department. Councilman Lies maintained the officer's abilities were not in question. Councilman Jones asked if Officer Nash would be on a 6 month probationary period. Police Chief Chase responded that Officer Nash would be on a 1 year probationary period. He also stressed how fortunate he felt for his department to get Officer Nash, noting Sheriff Lucky Larson's recommendation and advised no employee can be guaranteed. Councilman MacDonald pointed out that John Fairchild will be available to fill in if need be and also noted the high recommendations Officer Nash had received. Councilman Funke requested, for the benefit of Council, that the newly hired officers attend the Council Meetings in which they are listed on the agenda. Police Chief Chase responded that all the new applicants will attend a future meeting to be introduced to the Council, it was just a matter of schedule conflicts. The motion passed unanimously.**

**REQUEST TO DESIGNATE ONE STREET PARKING SPOT IN FRONT OF 414 FIRST STREET EAST AS A 15 MINUTE PARKING ZONE:** **Patty Allen** informed the Council that she had recently opened a coffee shop and explained that throughout the day customers for her shop found it practically impossible to find parking. She suggested that a 10-15 minute parking space would improve accessibility to her shop. **Mayor Clavadetscher** advised that Polson has no parking enforcement, but that Police Chief Chase was willing to try the parking change on a trial basis. **Councilman Funke** asked if there would be a sign. **Mayor Clavadetscher** responded there would be a sign put up and the curb repainted in front of that spot. He also questioned how the other businesses would respond to the parking change. **Patty Allen** responded that she had already spoken to them and they were all in favor of changing the parking spot. **Police Chief Chased** specified that Chance Anderson the Animal Control and Evidence Officer had agreed to help without parking matters and predicted more short term parking spots will result. **Councilman Fred Funke moved to accept the item on a trial basis.** **Councilman Lies** seconded. The motion to passed 5-1, Councilmen Agrella, MacDonald, Lies, Corse, and Funke voting in favor and Councilman Jones opposed.

**REQUEST FROM FREEDOM DAY COMMITTEE FOR MEMORIAL DAY PARADE WITH SUPPORT FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS:** **James Raymond** requested this item be tabled. **Councilman Lies** motioned to table the issue, seconded by **Councilman Funke.** The motion to table the issue was unanimous.

**FREEDOM DAY COMMITTEE REQUEST FOR MEMORIAL DAY PARADE WITH SUPPORT FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS:** **James Raymond** also requested this item be tabled. **Councilman Lies** also motioned to table this issue, seconded by **Councilman Funke.** The motion to table the issue was unanimous.

**ORDINANCE #626 - SECOND READING - PAUL LONDON'S REQUEST TO AMEND THE POLSON DEVELOPMENT CODE; GROWTH POLICY; AND ZONING MAP TO CREATE A NEW ZONING DISTRICT RCZD (RECREATIONAL VEHICLE CONDOMINIUM AND CAMPGROUNDS ZONING DISTRICT) OVER AN EXISTING ZONING DISTRICT OF CIZD (COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICT):** **Councilman Funke** motioned to approve the Ordinance. **Councilman Jones** seconded the motion. The motion passed with 5 in favor with the abstention of **Councilman MacDonald.**

**ORDINANCE #625 - SECOND READING - AMENDING CHAPTER 2.06.060 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODES - TO DETERMINE ITS OWN AGENDA AT MEETINGS:** **Councilman Corse** motioned to approve the Ordinance. **Councilman Lies** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT - \$625,000 - 174 DAYS AT 1ST CITIZENS BANK. 5.43% - OTHER BIDS; 1ST INTERSTATE 5.38%; COMMUNITY BANK 5.33%; GLACIER BANK 5.25%:** **Bonnie Manicke** informed the Council 1st Citizens Bank had the high bid of 5.43% and the comparisons are Treasury Bill Yield at 5.072%, U.S. Government Agency Yield at 5.283%, and a Jumbo C/D at the national rate of

5.20%. She also explained there was a 15 basis point spread between the local bank interest rate and the government agency. If it narrows, she suggested the council consider purchasing government securities to offset the C/Ds. **Mayor Clavadetscher** asked if the spread narrows at what point should the City purchase government securities. **Bonnie Manicke** responded that 15 points for the current investment was appropriate and that if it narrows there would be more yield on an agency, reminding the Council that broker fees would have to be taken into consideration. The fee is always figured into the price. She explained they would have to talk to a broker to find out what could be purchased on the market. She recommended after a 2-5 basis point decrease that they begin to consider the government securities and noted they already had an account with Edward Jones if they chose to move forward. **Councilman Lies moved to accept the bid. Councilman MacDonald seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**PLEDGE SECURITIES FOR PUBLIC FUNDS:** **Bonnie Manicke** explained that during the last 60 days many securities have been traded to offset bank deposits. She continued to say Glacier Bank had \$1,125,000 on deposit, and the amount with pledges is \$2,108,949.43; 1st Citizens Bank had certificates of deposit at \$1,165,277.86, and the amount with pledges was \$1,949,554.26; 1st Interstate Bank had \$600,000 on deposit and that amount was pledged; and Community Bank had \$650,000 on deposit and with pledges was \$1,450,000. She noted that Community Bank had recently opened an account and felt that their pledge belayed an interest in taking more deposits. **Mayor Clavadetscher** asked if the real-estate loans were current. **Bonnie Manicke** replied John Stobie, officer at 1st Citizens Bank reviewed the loan pledges with her on Friday. **Councilman Lies motioned to accept the pledge securities for public fund. Councilman Funke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**MARCH 2007 CASH REPORT:** **Bonnie Manicke** explained the ending cash balance for March 2007 was \$4,702,753.84, noting that all the cash fund balances were positive at the current time. She pointed out there had been one debt service payment of \$17,302 for the city's fire truck with an outstanding balance of \$127,459 with 8 payments left the final being in March 2011. She further informed the council that hopefully before the next budget season she would provide the Council an entire debt service report with all the outstanding balances with the interest rates in case the council has concerns about the present interest rates. **Councilman Jones motioned to accept the cash report, seconded by Councilman MacDonald. The motion passed unanimously.**

**OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS:** **Mayor Clavadetscher** presented a non-action agenda item in regards to the effort a group of Polson High School students are doing for Arbor Day. **Jon Schumaker** informed the council that for Arbor Day (April 28) his group had planned and organized a benefit rock concert for the Arbor Day foundation and the city of Polson at Riverside Park. He indicated there would be 4-5 bands ranging from classic rock to reggae to punk rock (aiming for as big of a variety of styles as possible) performing for the 3-4 hour period they expected to fill. The name they planned to use for the event "Treestock Arbor Day" with donation boxes set out for donations between songs or. John Schumacher explained they planned to divide up the profit between the Arbor Day Foundation and to the city for the betterment of the parks. **Mayor**

**Clavadetscher** commended the idea, mentioning how much the students' work and effort were appreciated. He explained he would work with Karen Sargeant on how to utilize the funds. He also asked for clarification of how the donations will be dispersed. **Jon Schumaker** replied that between The Arbor Day Foundation and the City they had planned on either 50/50 or 60/40. **Councilman Jones** inquired as to the students' expenses incurred for the organizing and carrying out the project. **Jon Schumaker** responded that there may be a \$200-400 cost for professional sound equipment. **Councilman Jones** expressed that even if it reduces the city's share, the students' costs should be paid with the donations. **Mayor Clavadetscher** agreed and expressed gratitude for any donation the city receives. **Councilman Funke** commented that the students were working for a good cause.

**Rory Horning** asked for a follow up on the request he'd made in regards to painting the Highway 93 bridge. **Mayor Clavaetscher** responded that he had contacted MDOT and the project would take 1-2 years. The railings would have to be removed, sandblasted, coated and replaced. He mentioned that Dwayne Kailey was in charge of bridge projects and that it had a low priority. **Rory Horning** thanked the Mayor for his efforts however he expressed disappointment over how long ago the request was made and how its fruition has been prolonged.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.**

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**Jules Clavadetscher, Mayor**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Kala Parker, Assistant City Clerk**