

**POLSON CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS
MONDAY JULY 6, 2009, 7:00 P.M.**

ATTENDANCE: City Commissioners: Bruce Agrella, Jim Sohm, Jules Clavadetscher, Mike Lies, Elsa Duford, Fred Funke. Mayor Lou Marchello presiding. City Manager Todd Crossett and City Attorney James Raymond absent.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Marchello called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA: Commissioner Clavadetscher moved to approve the agenda with item 6 removed. Commissioner Agrella asked that the motion be amended to also remove item 11. Commissioner Clavadetscher amended the motion approve the agenda with items 6 and 11 removed, seconded by Commissioner Sohm. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2009**
- B. JULY 15-30 CLAIMS**
- C. 2009 CITY ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSES**

Commissioner Funke moved to approve the consent agenda items A-C, seconded by Commissioner Agrella. Commissioner Lies questioned why the City was paying for the soccer fields to be mowed. Assistant Clerk Parker answered that she would check with the Parks Superintendent. Commissioner Sohm inquired about the City's alcohol purchases. Mayor Marchello replied that they were looking for alternate means of financing; in the meantime they had been reimbursing the City monthly for the total of all alcohol expenditures. **The motion carried unanimously.**

SEWER RATE ADJUSTMENT: Water and Sewer Superintendent Tony Porrizzo explained that he was looking for direction from the Commission on how to proceed. He felt that adjusting only the sewer rates this year would make it easier on the citizens. He added that they were reevaluating the figures of gallons/day versus gallons used from the CCR report, which with the proper calculations only left 29.5% water loss. The water rates would take longer to work out. Commissioner Clavadetscher inquired how much the new treatment plant would cost. Superintendent Porrizzo replied the headwork would be close to \$1.4 million, which was also extending the life of the lagoon. He added that after the City Attorney, City Manager and himself worked out the sewer rate increase they would bring it back before Council before changing the rates. The Commission expressed that Superintendent Porrizzo should move forward with the rate adjustment for sewer.

APPOINT SHARON RICHARDSON TO POLSON CITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE FIRST FIVE-YEAR TERM THAT EXPIRES ON 6-30-2014: Library Trustee Bruce Harrop expressed the Library Board's support for Sharon Richardson being approved for five-year term. **Commissioner Agrella moved to**

appoint Sharon Richardson to the Library Board of Trustees for the first five-year term that expires on 6-30-2014. Commissioner Lies seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPOINT THREE COMMISSIONERS TO THE POLSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY: This item was removed.

REQUEST TO CHANGE THE SPEED LIMIT OF HAWK DRIVE FROM 35 MPH TO 25 MPH FROM HWY 35 THROUGH THE END OF THE STREET: Commissioner Clavadetscher pointed out that Hawk Drive was now a City street, and the majority of Mission Bay residents asked that the speed limit be lowered to the City standard. **Commissioner Lies moved to change the speed limit of Hawk Drive to 25 MPH from Highway 93 through the end of the street immediately. Commissioner Funke seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION #995 – INTENT TO ANNEX WHOLLY SURROUNDED HILLCREST NORTH EAST COMPLEX: Commissioner Sohm moved to approve resolution #995, seconded by Commissioner Agrella. Commissioner Duford asked if the residence had been contacted. Commissioner Clavadetscher replied that would be the next step after the resolution of intent passes. **The motion carried unanimously.**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH COUNTY RE: PUBLIC PARKING ON SE CORNER OF 5TH AVENUE EAST & MAIN STREET IN EXCHANGE FOR WAIVER OF FEES ON RENOVATION OF WIC BUILDING: Building Inspector Ron Melvin stressed that parking was always needed in the downtown area, and this area would be used for the public to park. The City would maintain the lot, and waive the building permit fees in exchange. **Commissioner Clavadetscher moved to approve the memorandum of understanding with the County, in regards to the public parking on the southeast corner of 5th Avenue east and Main Street in exchange for waiver of renovation fees for the WIC building. Commissioner Funke seconded the motion.** Commissioner Lies asked how much the fees would be if not waived. Building Inspector Melvin replied that he would have to double check the cost, but it was about \$1,240. **The motion carried unanimously.** Commissioner Sohm suggested they write a letter to let the downtown businesses know about the parking. Building Inspector Melvin added that they would put up parking signs and may asphalt the area.

ROAD ABANDONMENT OF ALLEY BETWEEN 9TH & 10TH AVENUE EAST AND 1ST STREET EAST & MAIN WITH A WAIVER OF THE \$200 FEE: Commissioner Clavadetscher explained that the alley had never been used by the City, there was a water and sewer easement, which would remain if the alley was abandoned. The abandonment would allow Loaves and Fishes to rebuild and expand with other charities. **Commissioner Clavadetscher moved to approve the road abandonment of the alley between 9th and 10th Avenue East and 1st Street East & Main with a waiver of the \$200 fee. Commissioner Sohm seconded the motion.** Ron Melvin clarified that this would only apply to lots 10, 11, 12 and 1, 2, and 3. Murat Kalinyaprak commented

that Bill Ingram had asked the City to abandon a road and the Council had opted not to give away any property. He added that at that time Commissioner Clavadetscher had suggested they sell the property. Commissioner Lies noted that that was a street and not an alley. **The motion carried unanimously.**

AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AIRPORT LEASE: This item was removed.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS: Mayor Marchello noted that City Manager Todd Crossett was attending a city manager workshop in Washington D.C.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA: Commissioner Duford expressed that she would like more information provided in regards to the annexation resolution. Building Inspector Melvin asked if there were any questions in regard to the annexation. Commissioner Duford asked if forcing annexation violated personal property rights. Building Inspector Melvin replied that there were no property rights violations because they were within the City's infrastructure and it was part of the Montana Code that allowed the forced annexation. Murat Kalinyaprak suggested that the Commission state the date of the meeting at the call to order to help with the audio recordings archive.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor Lou Marchello

Attest: Kala Parker, Assistant City Clerk