

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SUGAR CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2006

Presiding: Glenn W. Dalling
Meeting Convened at 6:30 p.m.
Prayer: Mayor Dalling
Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mayor Dalling; Sharon L. Bell, Clerk; Marcie A. Smith, Treasurer; Council members Harold Harris, Walter Deitz, Bruce King and Brad Orme; Sharee Palmer, Planning & Zoning Commission; Bob Oliphant; KaraLee Ricks; Garry Jeppesen; Jan Gallup; Rayo Budge; Bob Worrell; and Don Rydalch.

The Mayor asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting held April 13, 2006. Each council member had a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. It was moved by Council member Deitz and seconded by Council member Harris to accept said minutes; motion carried

Marcie presented the March reconciliation reports for the General Fund. It was moved by Council member Deitz and seconded by Council member Orme to accept the March reconciliation reports for the General fund; motion carried. Marcie presented the March reconciliation reports for the Utility Fund. It was moved by Council member Deitz and seconded by Council member Harris to accept the March reconciliation reports for the Utility Fund; motion carried.

CITIZEN INPUT: There was no citizen input.

JAN GALLUP:

Title 8, Building and Site Ordinance: Jan led a discussion starting 8-2-13(H) through the end. Some changes were made. **MOTION:** It was moved by Council member Deitz and seconded by Council member King that we go for a public hearing on design review. The Mayor called for a roll call vote.

Those voting aye: Council members Deitz, King and Orme

Those voting nay: Council member Harris

Thereupon, the Mayor declared the motion passed.

MOTION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: It was moved by Council member Deitz and seconded by Council member King that we have a public hearing on design review at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2006; Council member Harris opposed; motion carried.

PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Sharee Palmer addressed the Council.

Fence Application: Randi Fogle submitted an application to build a fence for Betty Wright in her back yard on the alley. There are problems defining where the alley is. After discussion, it was decided Sharee would visit with Mr. Fogle and see how he figured where the property line is and advise him that the responsibility of the location of a fence line rests with the

property owner. If the location is incorrect, the property owner moves the fence.

Public Hearing for Subdivision Ordinance: P&Z is going to public hearing with the subdivision ordinance on the 18th of May, 2006.

Comprehensive Plan: At their last meeting, P&Z talked about the comprehensive plan. They feel very strongly that it is time for it to go to the County Planning & Zoning. Sharee reported the Council has approved everything, but at the last meeting it was decided to hold it off until tonight.

Highway 33: Sharee reported P&Z also had a discussion on Highway 33. They have some concerns. Garry Jeppesen feels there are many questions that need to be addressed before Highway 33 is redesignated. Discussion was had that it is just in the discussion stage at this time and that the road between Rexburg and Sugar City should be rebuilt before it is negotiated.

ARBOR DAY: Council member Orme reported the Arbor Day celebration is tomorrow at 10 a.m. by the grain silo. He will welcome everyone and make introductions. The Mayor will say a few words and will read the Arbor Day Proclamation. A 12-foot Norway maple tree will be planted. The elementary school children in attendance will each be given a seedling to plant. Rayo Budge reported in the afternoon there are three separate classes of elementary children who are going out to clean up all the parks as part of the Arbor Day celebration.

PRESENTATION ON CITY WEST ENTRANCE: Bob Worrell showed a model of the grain silo and the area surrounding it, which was prepared by Tim Whitworth. He presented the Council with a drawing showing the paintings on the silo, and explained it was a work in progress. A discussion was had on landscaping, etc. Mr. Whitworth would appreciate input from the Council.

Grant Possibilities: Don Rydalch volunteered to do some checking on grant possibilities for the silo area. He started with ECIPTDA. At that point in time he was talking about historical preservation and going that route. He contacted the official contact at the state department, and she said we would have to take all the initiative to have the structure considered for the national register. She sent him an application form, which is the beginning of a long process. They only have small grants, \$1,000 to \$2,000, and none of that money can be used on the structure itself. It is for administrative purposes. He reported the Idaho Heritage Trust has competitive grants up to \$5,000 available with a September deadline. They don't have any large grants available for use on the facility itself. He quickly came to the conclusion that maybe the historical preservation route was not the logical way to go. Lots of paperwork, little money, and quite a few strings attached to the entire process.

Mr. Rydalch went back to the original transportation enhancement program when we were contemplating demolishing the silo. He talked to Tammy Egbert at RC&D. She had him call Bill Shaw at the Idaho Transportation Department in Rigby, who referred him to a man at the State Transportation Department. They had a good, long talk; he reminded Mr. Rydalch that all of their grants are very competitive. They will be holding their grant writing workshops as well as a general information workshop in October and November around the state. He anticipates the application deadline again will be January 31, 2007. It takes most of the year to get those approved, then it takes a couple of years before we are done with the project. He said if Mr. Rydalch could get him a concise written summary of what the city wants to do first, what it will cost (projected), along with a very good street map showing exactly where the elevator is located, he could then tell if we had a good enough project to really pursue it. It is under the category of the Idaho Transportation Department called "landscaping and other scenic beautification." This is

very unusual. They are usually thinking of scenic drives, things of that nature; but it is still a possibility. They do have larger grants, with a ceiling of \$500,000. This would not qualify for that big of a grant, but it could qualify for over \$100,000.

Mr. Rydalch is contemplating going back to ECIPDA. The Mayor reported our contact there is Clair Boyle and he has been alerted to this a little. He is interested in helping us. Mr. Rydalch suggested if the City decides to go ahead and keep the silo and forego the historical preservation idea as far as any state or national register is concerned, then he feels we need to work up a plan to get some cost estimates and the map again and talk to Bill Shaw as well as Clair Boyle and pursue it from that standpoint. The Mayor reported we should put that as a major item again on our May 11th meeting agenda and make a decision on what we want to do if we have enough information at that time. The Council indicates some real interest in pursuing the matter.

Purchase of 3-corner property from the State: The Mayor reported the City is purchasing the little piece of ground off the half interchange. It looks like we can buy it for \$3,000 plus \$200 administrative fees. Mr. Rydalch feels confident we can get a grant for that separate from the grant for the silo. He said Gerry Bates has written up a fairly lengthy presentation on why we should do something there. Again, he is talking mostly trees as a borderline by the neighbors. Beyond that we will have to do something else. The Mayor thanked Mr. Rydalch and Mr. Worrell for coming.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

8:10 p.m. It was moved by Council member King and seconded by Council member Orme, pursuant to Title 67-2345(a), that we move into executive session for hiring purposes. The Mayor called for a roll call vote:

Those voting aye: Council members Harris, Deitz, King and Orme

Those voting nay: None

Thereupon, the Mayor declared the motion passed.

9:55 p.m. The executive session ended and the regular Council meeting reconvened.

COUNCIL MEMBER KING addressed the Council on two items:

Sterling Codifiers: Bruce reported Sterling Codifiers is an agency in Coeur d'Alene that serves municipalities throughout the west. He did a little research and found they have a team of 25 attorneys, editors and text processors. They receive manuscript ordinances from cities and they review them. Their attorneys review it and their editors refine the text and, if need be, edit it. Then they put it in format and publish it, both in paper copy and on the net. At first he wondered if this was an expense that was really necessary. Since he learned that they actually have a team of attorneys that reviews it for consistencies with State and Federal law or, if there is anything glaring or out of line, they will notify us. He feels we should continue to use them. The Mayor reported we will make a decision later whether or not to put our City code on the website.

Comprehensive Plan Implementation: Bruce presented copies of page 21 of the 2005 Comprehensive Plan entitled "Economic Development Implementation." The schedule shows the dates and we are late on most of them. He suggested we change the word "schedule" to "priority," then we wouldn't be held to any specific date. This is only on the condition that it does not require another public hearing and doesn't delay sending it to the County Commissioners. Discussion was had. The Mayor reported if we vote on this now, and they tell us that we have to have a public hearing, we are saying go ahead without it and we can change it

later. The Council agreed.

MOTION TO SEND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO MADISON COUNTY:

It was moved by Council member King and seconded by Council member Orme that we send our comprehensive plan to the Madison County Commission for adoption, and that we change the schedule dates to priority order, assuming that we don't have to hold another public hearing; motion carried. Council member King will contact Attorney Lee as to whether this is a material change and would require another public hearing.

AUTHORIZATION FOR SUMMER STREET REPAIRS: Council member Harris discussed summer street repairs. He received projection costs from Klingler Asphalt and Idaho Asphalt to do certain amounts of crack seal. He felt we should go on a per-ton basis for crack seal. That includes routing the crack, cleaning it out and putting the rubberized sealant in. Klingler Asphalt gave him a cost of \$1,790 per ton for ten ton, which is \$17,900. They will also do some cutting and patching of small areas that we need done in town. Discussion was had. **MOTION:** It was moved by Council member Harris and seconded by Council member King that we accept Klingler Asphalt's maintenance proposal for both crack seal and replacement of damaged asphalt, not to exceed \$25,000 in the total work we need done; motion carried.

MOTION ON PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: The Mayor reported he would like to officially change the title of Maintenance Supervisor. **MOTION:** It was moved by Council member Deitz and seconded by Council member King that we change our "Maintenance Supervisor" to Public Works Director; motion carried.

MOTION FOR SPECIAL MEETING TO HIRE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: It was moved by Council member Harris and seconded by Council member Deitz that we have a morning breakfast meeting on Thursday, May 4, 2006, at 7 a.m. at City Hall, to make a decision on the hiring of a new Public Works Director; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Signed: Glenn W. Dalling
Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor

Attested: Sharon L. Bell
Sharon L. Bell, Clerk