

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF DRIGGS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2011**

Pursuant to adjournment of the City Council meeting held January 4, 2011, and the call of the Mayor, the Driggs City Council met in regular session **Tuesday, January 18, 2011**, at 7:00 p.m. A roll call was taken and present were council members: Greer Jones, Colin Dye, and Jay Mazalewski, Mayor Daniel Powers, Planning and Zoning Administrator Doug Self, Public Works Director Jared Gunderson, and City Attorney Stephen Zollinger. Mayor Daniel Powers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES TO REVIEW

Council Members reviewed the minute from the previous City Council Meeting.

Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2011 City Council Meeting. Council Member Dye seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

CLAIMS REVIEW

Council members reviewed the claims.

Council Member Dye made a motion to approve the claims as presented dated January 5, 2011 through January 18, 2011. Council Member Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

GAME ON – BEER AND WINE CATERING PERMIT

Council Member Mazalewski made a motion to approve the Beer and Wine Catering Permit for the three nights as listed on the application. Council Member Dye seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

**TETON SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD CHAIR AND SUPERINTENDENT –
DISCUSSION OF SCHOOL TAX LEVY**

Doug Peterson and Monty Woolstenhulme spoke to the Council. They explained the reason for their visit, which was to inform the Council and community members about the reason for the school levies and to explain how the money would be used. Mr. Peterson stated that there were two different levies, a supplemental levy in the amount of 2.6 million and a plant facility levy for \$400,000.

Mayor Powers informed those in attendance that the levy was a continuation of the existing levy and therefore taxes would not increase. He further stated that he felt this was a great way to use tax dollars and stated that the City would help the School District in any way needed.

**ORDINANCE 320-11: AMENDMENTS TO ORD 317-10 FLOOD DAMAGE
PREVENTION: ADDING DEFINITIONS FOR “FLOODPROOFING” AND
“START OF CONSTRUCTION”**

Mr. Self explained that after the previous ordinance was approved the state requested more information and wanted to add definitions for “floodproofing” and “start of construction.”

Council Member Jones made a motion to suspend the rules and read by Title only Ordinance 320-11. Council Member Mazalewski seconded the motion. Schuehler took a Roll Call vote; Council Member Mazalewski, aye; Council Member Jones, aye; Council Member Dye, aye. Mayor Daniel Powers read the ordinance by title only.

Council Member Mazalewski made a motion to approve Ordinance 320-11. Council Member Dye seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE AGENCY – BRET CAMPBELL AND JASON LETHAM

Bret Campbell presented information to the Council. He stated the Local Emergency Response Agency (LERA) was a component of the State Hazardous Material Response Plan and every local entity must indentify their local emergency response agency. Mr. Campbell stated that the Fire Department had not been established as the Valley’s agency and without this the Idaho State Police would be the authority of jurisdiction. Mr. Campbell concluded his presentation by stating that the Fire Department was equipped, trained and certified to handle hazardous materials.

Council Member Mazalewski made a motion to approve Resolution 261-11 designating Teton County as the Local Emergency Response Agency. Council Member Dye seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT

Mr. Self reported on the activities of the Planning and Zoning Commission, which included the approval of a preliminary plat for The Edge and several zoning amendments that were being reviewed. He stated that a Lighting Standards Committee was established for the city and would begin meeting in January.

The Driggs Nordic Track was underway. Mayor Powers stated that for next year there would need to be dedicated equipment for this track according to Teton Valley Trails and Pathways (TVTAP). TVTAP would be submitting a grant and there could be a \$3,000 match needed of which the City should contribute a portion.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Mr. Gunderson stated that the Parts and Pieces plan for the sewer plant had been reviewed by DEQ. Mr. Zollinger stated that the bidding for the equipment would be separate from the bidding for the project construction. He explained that this gave the City more control over the equipment that was needed.

Mr. Gunderson stated he would meet with a lab in Pocatello to determine pricing for lab testing. He explained that the samples were taking too long to get from the lab in Idaho Falls to the Pocatello lab.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the results of the effluent and influent for the year.

2009 CDBG FUND ALLOCATION

Mayor Powers stated that the Council had directed the money to be spent to bury power lines and split the remaining funds between the water line and the plaza. Mayor Powers spoke to the Department of Commerce and their advice was to not split the remaining funds because that would cost more money to administer.

Council Member Mazalewski stated he would like to see the money put toward the water line, but felt that research to find additional funds should be done before a decision should be made.

Mayor Powers reminded the Council that the original budget for the water line was \$335,000 with an estimate of \$163,000 and \$50,000 in design work. It was suggested to continue this discussion after it was determined as to what projects would be made a priority by the Urban Renewal Agency.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Powers explained the issue with the Valley Centre Subdivision road conditions. He explained that the responsibility of maintenance for that road was the Home Owners Association but this body was not active. In the past, the snow plowing had been done by Travis Thompson. Mr. Gunderson plowed the road because there were safety issues and the road was bad enough that emergency vehicles may have had a problem getting into the subdivision if needed. Mayor Powers felt the City should work with the property owners to get the road updated to city standards at their cost. Council Member Mazalewski suggested submitting a bill for the plowing, Mr. Gunderson did.

Mayor Powers stated the weed summit devised a plan to coordinate with Mr. Gunderson and Ben Eborn early in the spring to identify problem properties and contact the property owners early enough to deal with the issue. He further explained other educational opportunities to inform the public about the issue.

Mayor Powers informed the Council that he would be asking the Airport Board to address the Council, explaining their reasons for refusing to pay the Sheriff's fee and ICRMP Insurance. He further explained that this fiscal years budget did not include these fees.

The ice rink in front of the Community Center should be ready to use by the end of the week. Council Member Mazalewski stated that TBIR (Teton Basin Ice and Recreation) offered to donate skates and discussion of how to collect and distribute those began.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Jones made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Mazalewski seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:31p.m.

ATTEST:

Sonya Adams, City Clerk

Daniel J. Powers, Mayor