



CITY OF DRIGGS
COUNCIL MINUTES
February 5, 2013

Pursuant to adjournment of the City Council meeting held January 22, 2013, and to the call of the Mayor, the Driggs City Council met on February 5, 2013 at 7:15 p.m. Present: Council President Mosher; Council Members Dye, Jones, Mossman; Mayor Powers. Also present: City Attorney Zollinger, Planning and Zoning Director Self, and Public Works Director Gunderson. Powers led in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Approval of Minutes

- January 22, 2013: **Jones moved to approve the January 22, 2013 minutes as corrected. Mosher seconded.** Motion carried.

Approval of Claims

- A coding change from City Hall Operations to Snowfest Expense was requested for Grande Rental \$100 [Backhoe rental] and Mobilight Inc \$285 [1500 W lights for TCS&R].
- Questions:
 - Grand Targhee Resort [GTR Shuttle]
 - Peak Printing [DDCA Map Update/Printing]
- **Dye moved to approve Claims dated January 23-February 5, 2013 with the coding changes requested above. Jones seconded.** Motion carried.

SnowScapes Recap: Mary Mullaney

- Mullaney began her presentation by stating that the SnowScapes were, "... pretty successful this year."
- Forty (40) sculptors worked on the blocks; in-kind contributions from volunteers and area businesses topped \$14,600; cash from card sales, entry fees, and donations surpassed \$6,100; expenses were \$4,465 (including the \$385 Snowfest claims above)
- Saturday & Sunday attendance was estimated at 2,400 with 25% of those polled stating they were just driving by and stopped. Latino and children attendance saw an increase with the snow activity of igloo building a huge hit with the kids
- Mullaney would like to have a hired coordinator in future years and earlier planning; a request for continued support will be brought back to the Council later in 2013

City Engineer Contract: Harmony Design, Inc

- Change was noted to Clause 6, pg. 2 Conflict of Interest. Also discussed was the two year term of the contract with no auto-renewal clause in the document. Also discussed was Exhibit A: no charge for mileage. **Mossman moved to approve the contract for engineering services between the City of Driggs and Harmony Design, Inc. as presented. Mosher seconded.** Motion carried.

Pet Law Committee: Ralph Mossman

- Mossman provided brief backgrounds on the applicants who have applied to serve with Mossman on an ad-hoc Pet Law Committee: Julie Gow (Driggs resident who brought the

issue up), Tony Liford (Teton County Sheriff), Aska Shiratori-Langman (animal shelter manager), and Summer Lee Winger (veterinarian). Mossman also reviewed the purpose of the committee: to provide the City of Driggs with an enforceable system for reducing the number of dogs at large and related conflicts, improving pet licensing, improving the neutering rate of pets, strengthening support for the existing animal shelter, and reducing the number of lost and abandoned pets in the City of Driggs. The goal of the committee would be to have a draft system in place by Fall 2013 with full implementation by March 2014

- The Council did not voice any concern over 2/5 of the applicants living outside of City limits. **Jones moved to approve the formation of an ad-hoc Pet Law Committee composed of the applicants listed above along with the stated purpose of the committee. Mosher seconded.** Motion carried.

Adoption of Conceptual Layout Plan for City Center Building, Phase II (North End)

- Council was provided with a revised conceptual plan for the North End based on comments from the January 22, 2013 meeting. Discussion focused on the SW mechanical room door [ordered, will be installed with deadbolt locks], movement of the restrooms, and the possible use of surveillance cameras. **Mossman moved to adopt Plan One's revised conceptual layout plan for the City Center Building, Phase II (North End) as presented. Mosher seconded.** Motion carried.

Staff Reports

Community Development – Doug Self

- **City Center Plaza Design:** The Project Advisory Team (PAT) renegotiated a contract with Design Workshop that is \$10,000 above the FY 2013 budget which would require additional cash match of \$5,325.00. Hyrum Johnson, Chair of the Driggs Urban Renewal Agency (DURA), has expressed his belief to Self that the DURA Board will provide 50% of the additional match, which would leave \$2,663 for the City to fund. Self asked the Council to consider funding the additional expense. Members of the PAT believe the additional cost will pay for itself in the long run due to the expertise available at Design Workshop. Self will bring a contract to the next council meeting for the Council's consideration.
- **Skate Park Improvement Proposal – C-Ledge:** Mark Goddard has proposed to construct a C-ledge at the City's skate park using a form from the construction of a ledge in Pocatello. Goddard offered to build the ledge at a cost of \$600. The Park Committee has reviewed and recommended the addition. **Jones moved to approve payment of \$600 to Mark Goddard for the construction as presented of a C-ledge at the City Skate Park. Mosher seconded.** Motion carried. Payment will be made from the Park Improvement line.
- **Park Fee Schedule:** Theresa Paradis, British Soccer Camp Organizer, has verbally complained about the estimated cost, 150 persons x 7 hours x 5 days x \$2.50/10 participants = \$1,312.50 of holding camp based on the adopted Park Fee Schedule. Self will bring a proposed Youth Rate Fee Schedule to the next Council meeting.

Public Works: Jared Gunderson

- **Overnight Parking Handout:** Council reviewed, then recommended putting in the newspaper(s) as an op ed piece. Also recommended including contact information.

- **No Parking Zones:** Gunderson has discussed increasing enforcement efforts with Teton County Sheriff Liford for no-parking zones and double parking
- **Snowplowing:** Powers asked that scraping the roadways be made a priority as snow melts
- **Creekside Looping:** At this time there is nothing the City can do, recommendation will be a part of the Water Facility Study being conducted by Aqua Engineering
- **New Law Enforcement Line:** Gunderson spoke with Willie Tuescher at DEQ. Tuescher considers the proposed change a repair and is fine with the Council's proposal to Teton County i.e. an 8" ductile iron line down Buxton with 50/50 cost share
- **Perception of Public Works:** Gunderson expressed his concern with public perception of Public Works personnel. He has been hearing statements that complaints are not submitted because people are afraid of reprisals. He gave the example of a snow plowing complainant who would not give her name/address because she was afraid no snow plowing would occur as a result of the complaint. Gunderson assured the Council that reprisals do not occur
- **Lighting Policy:** Mossman requested that the City's lighting policy be brought to the next Council meeting for discussion. He would like to have one-half of the lights on 5th Street turned off. Zollinger cautioned the Council that once lights are on, turning them off can create a liability issue. Zollinger further cautioned that public safety would take precedence over lighting esthetics. He recommended that the City have a qualified study done to prove that reducing lights would be a good technical decision that would not create safety issues. Powers suggested finding the cost of such a study before proceeding.
- Powers relayed information received from Fall River Electric at a meeting earlier in the day concerning various lighting & bulb use around the City. Fall River personnel believe the City can save money over time by changing the type of bulbs used. For example changing to LED lighting in the Art Gallery as old bulbs burn out.

Mayor's Business: Daniel J Powers

- **AIC Legislative Meeting:** Powers attended the Association of Idaho Cities (AIC) Legislative Session in Boise. Elimination of the personal property tax proposal was the #1 issue. Elimination would be crippling for some counties/cities who receive as much as 40% of their funding from the tax. Mossman noted that all area legislators are opposed to elimination. Liquor by the Drink was getting some traction and land use legislation was also a topic of discussion

8:37 p.m. Executive Session

Jones moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 (b) Personnel. Mossman seconded. The question was called by roll: **Dye, aye; Jones, aye; Mosher, aye; Mossman, aye.** Motion carried.

8:43 p.m. The Regular Session was rejoined.
No business was conducted as a result of Executive Session.

8:43 p.m. Adjournment

With no further business, **Jones moved to adjourn. Dye seconded.** Motion carried.

Daniel J Powers, Mayor

Attest: Carol Lenz, Deputy City Clerk

Dated this 5th Day of February, 2013.