

**Troy City Council Meeting
Council Chambers
May 21, 2008**

The meeting came to order at 7:00 pm. Present: - Mayor Jim Hammons, Council –Laura Schrader, Larry Baker, Don Banning, and Larry Coryell, City Attorney Mark Fennessy and City Clerk Sandra Johnson.

GUESTS: John H. Clogston, Linda S. Walker, Tyler Herreid, Michael McNew, Jayne Brown, Billie Foster, Jean Meyer, Katie Randall, Heather McDougall and Sara Morkeberg.

Mayor Jim Hammons lead the pledge of allegiance.

HEATHER MCDUGALL – 5TH OF JULY: Ms. McDougall asked council and mayor for permission to close the street between 3rd Street and 2nd Street on Yaak Avenue for a street dance on July 5th. There were no questions or concerns. Permission was granted to close the street on July 5th for the purpose of a street dance.

NEW BUSINESS LICENSE: Aqua Enterprises- Excavation, Utility Work and Landscaping. Owner: Mike McNew, location: 1652 River Road. Does a lot of the new service lines that are being replaced in town. **Motion** to approve the new business license for Aqua Enterprises was made by Larry Coryell, second by Laura Schrader. **Motion Carried.**

SEWER PROJECT – UV Disinfection Update-Tyler Herreid, TD&H: The project is 49% complete. The project is on schedule, and going smoothly. The block walls have been started. The UV disinfection system is on its way from Germany and should be in the states by June 6th. Discussion was held on the dimensions of the building. The project should be done by July 23, 2008. He does not foresee any problem getting the project done on time. Larry Coryell asked if they ever had to pump water from the excavation. No, they started digging the hole when the river was still low.

SEWER PROJECT – UV Disinfection: S&L Underground Pay Request #2 for \$81,263.00 and Change Order No. 1 for \$2,500.00: The change order was for brick that had to be ordered. The original brick that was specified in the bid was no longer available. They ordered gray brick which will be stained and sealed on the inside and outside. **Motion** to approve S&L Underground pay request #2 in the amount of \$81,263.00 and Change Order No. 1 for \$2,500.00 was made by Don Banning, second by Larry Coryell. **Motion Carried.**

SEWER PROJECT-UV DISINFECTION-TD&H Invoice No. 21351 for \$15,342.58: **Motion** to approve TD&H Invoice No. 21351 for \$15,342.58, for engineering was made by Don Banning, second by Laura Schrader. **Motion Carried.**

MINUTES OF 4-16-08, WATER PROJECT-PHASE II, PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF 4-16-08, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF 4-21-08, WORK MEETING MINUTES OF 5-12-08: **Motion** to approve the Minutes of 4-16-08 Water Project-Phase II, Public Meeting Minutes of 4-16-08, Special Council Meeting Minutes of 4-21-08, and the Work Meeting Minutes of 5-12-08 was made by Laura Schrader, second by Larry Coryell. **Motion Carried.**

CLAIMS: Schrader asked about claim to Centurytel; is it paid by 911 funds or city funds. It is paid out of 911 funds. Schrader was wondering if we got acceptable plans for the wildlife interpretive center, and that is why we are paying Moretti Architect. Yes. Coryell asked if the County has signed off on the museum building. Mayor Jim Hammons said he spoke to County Commissioner John Konzen, and he is all for the project. **Motion** to approve the claims in the amount of \$377,641.43 was made by Laura Schrader, second by Larry Coryell. **Motion Carried.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Don Banning – Updated council on the water sampling down on Riverside and 4th Street. We are now required to take more water samples due to a homeowner who submitted a water sample to DEQ which came back with bacteria and coliform. The homeowner is not a licensed operator. This makes us testing the water five times more for the month and each time the water is tested it is a cost of up to two hundred dollars. Schrader asked how long the test will have to go on. Banning said until we get a hundred percent okay from the State. Mayor Hammons advised that he was notified by the Public Works that the water samples from the well and the water tanks had passed. This is isolated to one small area in town. Linda Walker asked if the City is required to publish exactly what was found in the water samples. Hammons said they are only required to publish the health advisory in the newspaper, which has been done, however, an annual report stating all information on the city water supply is published annually, and posted on the City's website. City Attorney Mark Fennessy asked if there was a leak in the main. Hammons said the public works department had just replaced the main in the affected area. Discussion was held on the proper procedure to take a water sample. **Larry Coryell** – Was wondering if Banning could get the weed operator to spray the spruce trees on Yaak Avenue by the school baseball fields. It looks like they are infested with a spruce bud worm. Banning thinks that the trees may have already been sprayed. **Larry Baker** – Wanted to know when the school will be building the two new ball fields for the exchange of land at the old park. Hammons explained that it should be done within two years. It will not be done this year, maybe next year. Fennessy said the agreement needs to be done and that it should be stated in there. Discussion was held on the construction of the new fields. **Laura Schrader** – None. **James Hammons** – There is already an existing ordinance on the books for snowmobiles. Wants to know if an amendment can be done to the ordinance to fit the changes they would like to implement. Fennessy said yes it can be done. Hammons would like to have council schedule their next meeting for the work and budget meeting. Discussion was held on dates. Meetings will be held as follows:

Budget meeting and work meeting will be on June 9th, 2008, 6:30 pm.
Public meeting for the Growth Policy will be June 11th, 2008, 7:00 pm.
Regular Council Meeting June 18th, 2008, 7:00 pm
Budget meeting will be June 23rd, 2008 6:30 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Linda Walker – Found a doublewide mobile home in Libby; presented council with pictures along with the dimensions and the year of the home. Would like to ask the council for a variance to place the mobile home on her property. Baker requested she find if the wiring is copper, and what the snow load would be. Hammons said that they will be having the work meeting on the June 9th and will discuss this issue at that time and should have information to her by then. Fennessy said she should go over the specifications of the ordinance with Ron Higgins, the building inspector. Walker said she would get the information that they are requesting and turn it

in to City Hall. **John Clogston** – would like to have an update on the Co-Generation plant. Hammons explained that the feasibility study came back, but results were that the availability of the product is just not out there with the Forest Service, and the timber sales being tied up. The material is out there but the woods aren't open to go get the materials. Discussion was held on different options that can be done for a Co-Generation plant. Banning wants to know why we don't get a detailed monthly report from the Judge. Fennessy explained they are now computerized, and are sent to the state. They are no longer detailed and very minimal information on the report. Banning wanted to know the hours of the animal control officer. Hammons said they should be staggered. Schrader said that they are not. Discussion held on the hours that the animal control officer should work.

Motion to adjourn at 7:48 pm was made by Laura Schrader, second by Larry Baker.
Motion Carried.

James C. Hammons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra Johnson, City Clerk/Treasurer