

**Troy City Council Meeting
Council Chambers
January 21, 2009**

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

GUESTS: Billie Foster, Jean Meyer, Peg Fleming, Sylvia Maffitt Keith Haggerty, John Clogston, Canda Harbaugh – Western News, Tyann Hermes, and Leo Garcia

Mayor Hammons led the pledge of allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS LICENSES: 5 Star Unlimited - Owner: Leo Garcia Location: 1402 Sunset Road, Troy. Garcia plans on garbage collection, handy man, and snow plowing. Hammons asked Garcia if he had checked with Lincoln County. Garcia said he would. Laura Schrader asked Garcia if he is licensed and bonded for the snow plowing. Garcia is still looking into it. Coryell had concerns on how and where the garbage will be hauled and gave Garcia the County Landfill Manager's contact information. **Motion** to approve the new business; was made by Don Banning, contingent upon permission from the County. Laura Schrader seconded the motion. Coryell opposed. **Motion carried**

PARK BASEBALL FIELDS: Sylvia Maffit – Maffit presented Minutes from the School Board Meeting stating that the school district wants to keep the T-ball field at the elementary school. They do not want to move it to Roosevelt Park as the parents don't want their young children near the river or walking the distance from the elementary school to Roosevelt Park. Laura Schrader said that one field that fit both purposes may suffice. Keith Haggerty explained that a 200 ft field at Roosevelt Park could be used for High School Girls Softball, and Little League; everything except Babe Ruth Baseball. A removable fence could possibly be used for adult softball. This would be good for the entire community, keeping interests up with tournaments. The School District is considering adding High School Boys Senior Babe Ruth Baseball to their extra-curriculum programs. Hammons advised Haggerty and Maffit to meet with the Park Committee as plans progress. Hammons asked where the T-ball field would be located if they built it down by the elementary. Maffit replied that it would be kept on school property and not Kensler's Field. It would also be maintained by the school district as well. It was Council's consensus that it wouldn't be a problem to keep the T-ball field at the elementary school. Laura Schrader, Larry Coryell, and Don Banning; All present agreed. Discussion followed.

SNOWMOBILE POLICY: Council would like a snow mobile policy in place. Snow mobile club members want to be able to access Callahan Road, service stations, Roosevelt Bridge, etc. There was a temporary policy put together, however; there needs to be an age group added to the policy, allowing licensed drivers only. On the advice of the City attorney; Hammons tabled it until this is added to policy.

MINUTES: Minutes of December 15, 2008 Work Meeting, and December 17, 2008 Regular Council. A **Motion** was made by Laura Schrader to approve the Minutes, with a second by Don Banning. **Motion carried.**

Don Banning asked about the paperwork concerning the Scout Hut property. Hammons stated that Mark Fennessy needs a little more information. Larry Coryell will speak with Davis Surveying regarding this. Council advised that any additional costs will not be the City's responsibility.

CLAIMS: Don Banning questioned payment of \$20.00 for snow removal needed at City Hall to clear the walks. The skidster was down and the sidewalks needed to be cleared of snow. A **Motion** was made by Laura Schrader to approve the claims in the amount of \$80,599.28, seconded by Don Banning. **Motion carried.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Banning- Thanked the City for the flowers. Regarding cell service, he wanted to bring to the attention that a number one has to be placed in front of the numbers when dialing any cell phone in the area, which makes it a long distance phone call. Alltel is aware of the situation, it should get resolved. **Schrader** – asked how the water meter reading is going. There have been glitches, and those are being resolved one by one. You should see usage on your next billing. **Hammons** – We received appropriations from Baucus and Tester, but can't use them as they are tied to the whole project and *all* the funding must be in place. We didn't score high enough to be in the top percentage to get the grants for Phase II of the water project: He was in Helena last week and testified that our project is a three phase project; he only had ten minutes to speak, and hopefully this will help move the City up so we can be funded. **Coryell** – none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Sylvia Maffit, speaking on the behalf of the School Board, thanked the City for a spectacular job on snow removal.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 pm was made by Laura Schrader and the second by Larry Coryell. **Motion Carried.**

James C. Hammons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra Johnson, City Clerk/Treasurer