

**Troy City Council
Work Meeting
Council Chambers
May 19, 2009**

The meeting came to order at 6:30 pm. Present: Mayor - Jim Hammons, Council: Don Banning, Larry Coryell, Laura Schrader, Larry Baker excused absence, and City Clerk Sandra Johnson.

GUESTS: Carol Parsons, Paul Parsons, and Kit Pearson

PARSONS: Mayor Hammons invited Parsons' to speak to council regarding their water situation; Parsons have had a private well for 30 years and city sewer. Because the line has been engineered for a 6 inch pipe and a fire hydrant it cannot be included in the water project. A meter was put in 900 feet from their home. The engineering was paid by them. At the time there was a question as to the ownership of the street where the line was placed in; whether or not it belonged to the city or to them. It has been established that Sunset Lane is a City street. It had originally been thought it was abandoned, but upon a search of records the resolution to abandon and street was written, but never recorded by the Courthouse. Hammons asked if they planned on developing the other property in the future. Parsons said it was a good possibility and the sewer main is close. Discussion followed.

Engineering was \$4100 and was done by a Libby firm. Discussion on main extensions to the property followed. It was engineered for a 6 inch main. Parsons presented a diagram. Laura stated that she thinks the City should put it in, since it is a city street. Don Banning stated that he doesn't see any reason why the City Crew can't put it in. The guys can do the work but it still has to have a state inspection. Larry Coryell would like to have Fennessy review this. Barton and Dillon View put in their own line. He doesn't want to set precedence. Banning would like Fennessy to review it first, but go ahead with it after. Jim Hammons will call Fennessy and follow up with council.

KIT PEARSON: Spoke regarding enforcing the underage drinking problems. There are still grant funds available. Maggie Anderson is spearheading the awareness of this problem. One idea is to form a party patrol which has been done in the Flathead. Contracting with a Lincoln County agreement would allow the City to do patrolling in the county as well. The County can't address each time this happens as there are not enough officers. Pearson still needs to discuss the liability issues, and will be talking to the County. Hammons doesn't have a problem working with the County if they can pull it all together. There are grant funds available in the present grant for this.

On-duty officers would make over-time while on duty. The city would be subordinates and would follow a command schedule. Discussion on how these areas would be identified followed. One problem in responding in the County is that there is not a standard in place. Larry Coryell stated that it sounds good. Don Banning thought the County can request officers now anyway. Jim Hammons said he would like a united front on tackling underage drinking.

Pearson is taking two kids to National Leadership Conference in Dallas Texas which again reports and gives some solution choices relating to the problem of underage drinking. One person from school went to this conference last year. How has last year's student's conference attendance affected that student, and affected the other students at school? Discussion followed, and Pearson added his high expectations of the students that were selected for this year's leadership program.

Pearson stated that we need to change the image of Troy. Hammons reiterated and said that he has already seen a big change. We have received letters from area businesses regarding the server training that was available to them here in Troy. Pearson said there were 31 people that

attended. Banning asked how the Fifth Quarter is working out. This is a program through the Booster Club that allows students to stay late after ball games for intramural sports, music, and refreshments. Pearson stated that he doesn't know much about the program, but it's a good idea and he will make it a point to keep in touch with the organizers.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: *Resident County Deputy:* Laura stated that there is one hired and is in training now. *Water Project:* received additional \$300,000 grant through the representative's offices. Hammons stated that there were only ten towns that received it and we were one of them. Discussion followed. *Camp Host:* Council stated that due to budget constraints the camp host position is to become seasonal. A letter to Jim Carr needs to be sent to him advising him of that change.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

James C. Hammons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra Johnson, City Clerk/Treasurer