

**Troy City Work Meeting
Council Chambers
March 8, 2012
6:30 pm**

The meeting came to order at 6:30 pm. Present: Council President Phil Fisher. Council: Crystal Denton, Joe Arts, Fran McCully, and City Clerk Tracy Rebo. Mayor Donald Banning – Excused absent.

GUESTS: Linda Rose, Gary Rose, Robert McLeod-Chief of Police, Linda Rhoades, Fran Stanton, Clint Taylor-Power Manager, John Clogston, Karen Hubbard, Bill Hubbard, Sandi Sullivan, and Steve Bowen.

RESOLUTION No. 652: Adoption of Lincoln County Pre-disaster Mitigation Plan- Phil Fisher read aloud the resolution that will be presented at the next regular council meeting adopting the Pre-disaster Mitigation Plan of Lincoln County. City Clerk Tracy Rebo explained that Lisa Oedewaldt would be present to answer any questions that Council may have. Robert McLeod explained that all the different emergency groups have a practice drill once a year for an emergency scenario. Discussion followed regarding the plan of action if the Libby Dam breaks.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM – BPA: Clint Taylor- Taylor presented Council with a packet of research that he requested they look at to decide if the City wanted to participate in residential rebate programs that Bonneville Power offers. He advised that BPA sets aside a fund that the City can use as rebates to pass onto their customers. Taylor gave examples of rebates that BPA offers. He explained that some rebates may require certified professionals to do quality assurance. Taylor advised that the program can be very time consuming in some instances, but more simple in others. He let Council know about the energy summit in Portland in May and again in the fall that offers training. He advised that the program effective April 1st of 2012 to September of 2014. Discussion centered on ductless heat pumps that BPA is highly recommending and the different varieties. Taylor gave an example of Flathead Electric's program that loans their credit worthy customers the cost of the project and they reimburse the company back through their monthly utility bill. McLeod asked if customers could apply for the rebate themselves. Taylor answered; no, it has to be submitted by the City. Fisher would like to set up a meeting to consider what programs the City can offer. Discussion followed.

DISPATCH OFFICE: Crystal Denton – Denton explained that she has been in contact with the architect and building inspector. She stated that Ron Higgins offered to waive the building inspector's fee. Denton advised that she still needed to speak with Public Works to see if they can help with the framing of the office, but Troy Area Dispatch would purchase all the supplies. There was discussion on the electric needing to be from a licensed electrician as well as the plumbing because it is a commercial building. Denton stated that she needs to research a monitor that would go on the door between the new office and the City Hall storage. There was discussion on the different types of materials to make the lobby wall secure for safety. Fisher advised Denton to get written statements from the engineer and inspector as to their advice or directions. Taylor asked Denton how it was going to be heated. There was discussion on upgrading the current heating system in the building or possibly purchasing a ductless heat pump system for their own area. It

was council's consensus to have this on the agenda for the next regular council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Clint Taylor apologized for not getting his next topic on the agenda in time and handed Council members information on the Tier Two power rate that he had previously presented. He advised that it most likely wouldn't happen that we would get a large user that put us into the Tier Two category, but would like to have it a rate in place on the chance that it did. He asked for Council's input.

McCully stated that she would like to move forward with a meeting to discuss on the sewer rates. Discussion followed regarding the precedent set that allows empty homes to not get charged those sewer rates. It was a consensus to have a meeting on the 16th of March at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Phillip Fisher, President of Council

ATTEST:

Tracy Rebo City Clerk/Treasurer