

**Troy City Council Meeting
Council Chambers
January 16, 2013
7:00 pm**

The meeting came to order at 7:00 pm. Mayor Anthony E Brown, Administrative Assistant Brad Jones, Council: Phil Fisher, Fran McCully, and Joe Arts, and Crystal Denton, City Clerk Tracy Rebo and City Attorney Heather McDougall.

GUESTS: Gary Rose, Linda Rose, Ken Davis, Floyd Ford, Jayne Brown, Donna Rugani, John Brown, John Clogston, Linda Newstrom, Terrie Lenhart, Steve Bowen, Sam Shupe, and Debbie Shupe.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Sam Shupe wanted to thank the Council and Mayor for taking care of the water billing situation. Ken Davis stated that the Rose Bud Subdivision hasn't been approved and asked the Council for reconsideration on the conditions. Fisher had questions for Davis concerning the planned road. Davis explained that he didn't want other parties involved in any road use permits. Discussion followed. Davis advised of only having three months left for their approval. Mayor Brown will have it on the February agenda for the work meeting and regular meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: *Mayor:* Brown advised that the City recently acquired the Museum Property from the County. Mayor Brown updated the Council on his meeting with the County Sheriff and is happy with the agreement for their help with the new recruits. *Administrative Assistant:* Jones advised that the two new officers went to Helena for their physical fitness test and both passed, so they will be continuing training with the County. The *electric department*, *public works department*, and *police department* all submitted written department reports for Council's review. *Council:* Crystal Denton stated her feelings in favor of sending both new officers to the academy at the same time. Discussion followed. *City Hall:* Tracy Rebo reported that the company that hooked up the new computers and networking was in for the last three days. There wasn't much access to the network to get the Council Minutes to them prior to this night's meeting. She advised that the remote log in for the Shop to log in is the only thing left to complete. It was brought up that the batteries on the generator that backs up the City Hall building for dispatch were dead. It was decided to put it on the schedule for public works to start it up once a week. McCully requested the Mayor to organize a committee to start policy review. Mayor Brown was in agreement.

NEW BUSINESS:

PARK HOST: John Brown – John Brown asked if there will be a new park host at Roosevelt Park. Mayor Brown answered; we are looking into it. Fisher stated he would like to wait until spring, and then get a seasonal host. Discussion followed. John Brown disagreed stating that he thinks there should be one now and year round. He also brought up the search and rescue issue of only having 20 minutes to get to the Kootenai Falls. He stated that the park host keeps the boat launch clear and assists him in getting the boat in the water for the search and rescue mission. Fisher stated that there is liability, and the Police Department would assist, not the park host. Discussion followed. Mayor Brown stated that the information is good for research for a contract. City Attorney Heather McDougall suggested having it on the next work meeting agenda for discussion.

BUSINESS LICENSE: Ford's Place – Gift shop, located at 315 Missoula Avenue #5, in Troy, owner is Floyd Ford. Phil Fisher made the **Motion** to accept the business license and Joe Arts seconded. **Motion Carried.**

ANNEX LEASE: Tetra Tech through March 31, 2013 - Heather McDougall clarified that Tetra Tech is the one that asked for this consideration. She advised that they are unsure of how long they will occupy the annex. Phil Fisher made the **Motion** to accept the lease agreement. Denton seconded. **Motion Carried.**

CITY JUDGE RESIGNATION: Mayor Brown advised that Judge Dye has resigned and has recommended the promotion of Court Clerk, Terrie Lenhart, to become Judge. Mayor Brown advised that he would like a more formal process and conduct an interview. He let Council know that Lenhart has also offered to run the court without a clerk, which would be savings to the City. Fisher made the **Motion** to accept the resignation of Judge Allen Dye, and Joe Arts seconded. **Motion Carried.**

WAGE INCREASE: Non-union Employees- There was discussion regarding the wage increase for the janitor position. It was decided to increase the wage from \$9.14 to \$ 10.00.

CLAIMS: Phil Fisher made a **Motion** to accept the claims in the amount of \$80,086.85. Joe Arts seconded. Discussion: McCully had questions concerning the reimbursement for the bullet proof door frame. Rebo clarified that it was to come out of the 911 fund from the State that is administrated through the City; however, dispatch had already paid for it, so it is to reimburse dispatch. Fisher asked what the claim to Wright Express. Rebo explained that it was formerly Exxon, and the fuel. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: John Clogston asked where the power outage was and why it happened. Mayor Brown answered; and suggested taking time to audit the lines, and make it part of the maintenance.

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion** to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. was made by Crystal Denton and seconded by Phil Fisher. **Motion Carried.**

Anthony E. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy Rebo, City Clerk/Treasurer