

**Troy City Council Meeting**  
**Council Chambers**  
**April 17, 2013**  
**7:00 pm**

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

**GUESTS:** Austin Duve, Gunner Jordan, Andrew Haggerty, Janis Fontaine, Linda Newstrom-Rodriguez, Rick Hardcastle, Brigid Burke, Paul Rumelhart, Kristin Smith, Alanah True, Donna Rugani, Jayne Brown, Quentin Karl, Ken Davis, Ryan Murray – The Western News, Michaela Curry, Richard Ormiston, Sharon Ritt ,Adam Stindt, Caleb Dolan, Felia Jara

Mayor Brown led the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**MINUTES:** Phil Fisher made a **Motion** to approve the Minutes of March 14, 2013 Council Work and March 20, 2013 Regular Meeting. Joe Arts seconded it. **Motion carried.**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** *Mayor* – Mayor Brown advised of the Service Day scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013. He gave the areas the students will be working in and advised of the BBQ to follow. Council – McCully brought up her concern of the cleaning on the Daisy Fountain at Roosevelt Park. She asked that if the Park Host is not going to be responsible for it, then it should be determined. Mayor Brown answered; that it is a city crew job, and it will be added to their responsibilities. Fisher asked about the step in front of the stairs down to the soccer field, and what was determined to make it safer. Brad Jones advised of the plan for a concrete pad, and was waiting for Council approval. Mayor Brown let Council know that he received a letter of request for a mobile home variance from Buck and Tamera Kidder who would like to replace their current home with a 2006 single wide mobile. He asked for the Council's to consider it as it would be an improvement. *Administrative Assistant* - Brad Jones advised that OSHA visited and helped review some safety practices. The electric utility department is working on easements for the Callahan improvement project. Fisher stated to Jones that he felt the Public Works should follow through with the concrete pad near the steps at the soccer field. All Council members agreed. All other departments submitted written reports.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**BUSINESS LICENSES:**

*Clearwater Montana Properties:* Real Estate Office, Owners: Kevin Wetherell not present but sent a representative to answer questions. Business located at 412 E Missoula in Troy. Joe Arts made a **Motion** to approve the business license for Clearwater Montana Properties Phil Fisher seconded. **Motion Carried.**

*Cricket Song Creations:* Homemade crafts, Owner: Janis Fontaine. Business located at 397 Cedars Drive. Fontaine explained that she has a trademark classification No. 24 registered with the State of Montana. Phil Fisher made the **Motion** to approve the business license for Cricket Song Creations and Crystal Denton seconded. **Motion Carried.**

*Intensity Imaging LLC:* Wholesale Printing, Owner: Jeff Staska not present but he had submitted an email to explain his business. Business located at 315 E Kalispell Avenue. **Motion** to approve the business license for Intensity Imaging LLC was made by Phil Fisher and Joe Arts seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

*Rick's Home Business Maintenance and Repair:* Maintenance and repair business Owner William Hardcastle. Location will be mobile. Phil Fisher made a **Motion** to approve the business license for Rick's Home Business Maintenance and Repair and Joe Arts seconded. **Motion Carried.**

**KRDC: Brigid Burke** – gave a short presentation regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for 2013. Paul Rumelhart gave a brief history on the projects that have been funded by CDBG in the past. Discussion followed.

**ROSEBUD SUBDIVISION: Kristin Smith-** gave an update on the history of the subdivision request by Ken Davis. Davis is requesting an extension of time on the subdivision. Discussion followed. Crystal Denton made the **Motion** to grant the extension of the approval period of Rosebud Subdivision until May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Phil Fisher seconded the Motion. **Motion Carried.**

**PUBLIC WORKS REQUEST: Brad Jones-** presented a proposal for the Public Works department to purchase a new chain saw and a cut off saw with tank and cart. Discussion followed on who would use the equipment and which department would pay for the equipment. It was the consensus of council to wait on the cut off saw with tank and only purchase the chainsaw. Crystal Denton made the **Motion** to purchase the chainsaw and Joe Arts seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**DRUG TESTING POLICY:** McDougall advised that she talked with the Union and there were concerns regarding the wording that the employee pays for the testing. She advised that she found it to be a legitimate concern, so it was changed. Jones advised that the insurance company recommended waiting 90 days before the initial testing. Fisher agreed. Phil Fisher made the **Motion** to approve the Drug Testing Policy and Crystal Denton seconded. **Motion Carried.**

**PERSONNEL POLICY:** McDougall advised that the changes to the personnel policy are almost complete. She stated, it can be approved on the condition of MMIA's and IBEW's approval, or it can be tabled until the next meeting when the approvals are in place. Denton expressed her feelings of tabling the policy. Fisher advised that he would like to move on it. Rebo advised that there was a letter from MMIA received with recommendations on small changes. Arts stated that he would like to wait until the approvals were in place from MMIA and IBEW. Crystal Denton made the **Motion** to Table the Personnel Policy until the May 15<sup>th</sup> council meeting when the City Attorney anticipates the approvals from MMIA and IBEW. Phil Fisher seconded. **Motion Carried.**

**BANNER POLICY:** Mayor Brown advised that he likes the policy; it reads well, and accomplishes what we want. McCully stated that she didn't like item #6 regarding to religious materials. She stated that if it was left out, it could come to Council for consideration. Fisher agreed with McCully. Crystal Denton made the **Motion** to approve the Banner Policy, and Joe Arts seconded. The **Motion** to amend the Banner Policy to exclude #6 was made by Crystal Denton. It was seconded by Phil Fisher. **Motion Carried.**

**PARK HOST CONTRACT:** **Motion** to approve the contract was made by Phil Fisher and seconded by Joe Arts; **Motion Carried.**

**PARK RENTAL AGREEMENT:** Phil Fisher made the **Motion** to accept the Park Rental Agreement and Crystal Denton seconded. **Motion Carried.**

**CLAIMS:** Discussion: Fisher asked if it was established that there was only one billing for the water for the City apartments. Rebo answered; yes, because we charge per meter now. There was discussion regarding the absence of an individual tenant and due to safety reasons, an inspection should be done. Heather McDougall will follow up. Rebo advised that there will be two more claims that are anticipated, but held up by an approval from BPA's approval. She requested permission to print them when they come in instead of waiting until next month's claims. It was Council's consensus that it was ok. Phil Fisher made a **Motion** to approve the claims in the amount of \$107,257.86. Joe Arts seconded the Motion. **Motion Carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned by Mayor at 8:20 p.m.

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Anthony E. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tracy Rebo, City Clerk/Treasurer