Troy Council Work Meeting Council Chambers June 13, 2013 6:30 pm

The meeting came to order at 6:30 pm. Present: And Council: Phil Fisher, Fran McCully, Joe Arts, and Crystal Denton, City Attorney Heather McDougall, Administrative Assistant Brad Jones and City Clerk Tracy Rebo. Mayor Anthony Brown excused absent.

GUESTS: Ed Levert, Herb Gregory, Larry Chapel, Harold Etienne, John Clogston, Karen Clogston, Linda Rodriguez-Newstrom, Gary Rose, and Linda Rose.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: John Clogston recommended the Council to request a quarterly report on delinquent water, sewer, and power accounts. He asked it to be available to the public. Clogston continued by stating that it would also let them see if the employees are collecting it or not collecting it. Linda Rodriguez-Newstrom brought up that the Yurt area at the park was cleaned by Jim Hammons and stated her thoughts that it is nice when volunteers step up. Phil Fisher stated that the yurt area should be on the maintenance schedule for the park. Fran McCully brought up that there is no railing and the large rocks are difficult to use as steps on the way down to it.

FIRE WISE PROJECT: Ed Levert - gave a brief history on The Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). Levert advised of a Community Fire Wise Assistance Grant that addresses communities at risk and Troy has been identified at risk as far back as 2001. Lisa Osborne, with the Forest Service, is the representative from Troy. Levert explained that in order to apply for the grant, there has to be a plan that is developed in collaboration with the Fire Safe Council and the representative from the Troy area. Discussion followed. McCully asked if the work had to be hired and expense accrue in order to be a community. Levert answered, that as long as it is documented it could just be a percentage. As far as the City, you should get 75% of the estimated cost. Brad Jones explained that there are two different areas, so they are looked at differently. Levert gave more information to make the Grant available to Troy. Discussion followed regarding evacuation planning.

YOUTH DETENTION CONTRACT: Fisher opened discussion for the Youth Detention Contract. He asked Rebo if anything has changed from the original contract. Rebo answered; no. She advised that they have always paid half of the utility bill for the entire City Hall building. She suggested having the City Attorney look at it to advise the Council. Discussion followed. McDougall asked how long the new contract should be. It was a consensus to have a five year contract.

PERSONNEL POLICY: McDougall advised that it is ready to be presented and that MMIA has reviewed it. Denton asked Rebo to send her the old policy with the new changes outlined. Rebo will follow up.

RESOLUTION No. 662: INCREASE TO REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET FOR MUSEUM: Rebo asked for this to be on the agenda for the next Council meeting. She advised that the moneys cannot be spent until they are appropriated. She estimated the amount of the revenues and expenditures for the remaining Fiscal Year.

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RESOLUTION No. 663: GASB 54 COMPLIANCE - Rebo reminded Council that they passed a resolution last year on GASB 54. This resolution is in relationship to it. The City was advised by auditor to pass this compliance resolution. Discussion followed.

DRUG TESTING POLICY: Jones suggested a meeting on the changes to the policy that are going to take place. McDougall stated that she made the changes already. Rebo advised that the last policy she received is the one they are presently looking at. She stated that she gave the policy to the employees to sign and they voiced their concerns. Rebo outlined the areas of concern. Discussion followed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Rebo advised that the Park Host requested Council's permission to have two guests (children) have stay with him for the summer. It was Council's consensus that it was okay as long as it didn't interfere with his job duties. Rebo also wanted to clarify the comment that was made in a previous meeting regarding Troy being one of the four highest water rates in the State of Montana. She advised of her research findings that Troy was actually 41 out of 76 based on the 10,000 gallons. Linda Rodriguez-Newstrom asked if the City has an Emergency Action Plan. Brad Jones answered; yes, and elaborated. Discussion followed. Fisher brought up that there hasn't been a recent newsletter. Rebo advised that she would follow through with a newsletter and asked for the Council's requests.

Phil Fisher - Council President

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Tracy Rebo, City Clerk/Treasurer

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