



City Council

Regular Meeting

~ Minutes ~

480 East Avenue North
Ketchum, ID 83340
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Tuesday, February 17, 2015

5:30 PM

Ketchum City Hall

Present:
Mayor Nina Jonas
Council President Michael David
Councilor Anne Corrock
Councilor Baird Gourlay
Councilor Jim Slanetz

Also Present:
Ketchum City Administrator Suzanne Frick
Ketchum City Attorney Stephanie Bonney
Director of Planning and Building Micah Austin
Ketchum Public Works Director/City Engineer Robyn Mattison
Ketchum Police Chief Dave Kassner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nina Jonas called meeting to order at 5:35.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

.. Approval of Minutes: January 20, 2015.

b. Approval of Current Bills and Payroll Summary.

c. Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision regarding:

i. Vue Subdivision and Townhouse Subdivision – Preliminary Plat.

Motion to approve the consent calendar.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Baird Gourlay, Councilor
SECONDER:	Michael David, Council President
AYES:	Michael David, Anne Corrock, Baird Gourlay, Jim Slanetz

3. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILORS.

a. Communications from Mayor and Council

Councilor Jim Slanetz commented that the Council should be very supportive of the Farmers Market.

Councilor Anne Corrock requested that in preparation of the construction project taking place where RV parking currently is the council discussed other possible sites for RV Parking. The River Run property may be able to be used for that purpose.

Mayor Nina Jonas commented there have been many discussions of what can be done with that property.

Council President Michael David commented the Sun Valley City Council agreed to contribute \$2,000 to the night owl bus service.

4. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC.

a. Communications from the public. For items not on the agenda.

Phylis Shafran, Ketchum Resident, commented on the local option tax monthly report, Ketchum local option taxes being charged by car dealerships, and the compliance officer position.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF.

a. Discussion of Bridge and Road Levy – Suzanne Frick, City Administrator.

Suzanne Frick, City Administrator, said the Blaine County Board of Commissioners is putting the Road and Bridge Levy in front of the voters in May of this year. It is for a two year temporary levy. Should the voters approve the measure, the city of Ketchum is estimated to receive 443,422 each year. The Commissioners are asking the council to take a position on the proposed levy, and if supported they requested a letter of support and list of priority projects.

Suzanne Frick said they have identified four priority projects to be funded if the levy passes. The first is sidewalk and lighting improvements in the high pedestrian areas. The improvements would be coordinated with parking strategies. In addition they are proposing implementation of bike and pedestrian plan improvements in the downtown area. Drainage improvements in the 5th Street and Walnut Avenue and 6th Street areas.

Staff is recommending the council support the levy and the projects they have identified.

Councilor Baird Gourlay asked if the recommended projects have to be in Ketchum, Warm Springs Road is in terrible shape. The only way he will sign his name to a letter is if Blaine County improve that road. Councilor Gourlay would like to request Blaine County improve and pave that road and make it a high priority on their list.

Councilor Jim Slanetz commented that the gas tax has not been raised since 1996. With gas prices so low this is an opportunity to raise a gas tax, it's a use tax for those using the roads. Councilor Slanetz feels this is not the place to do this, it should be a use tax, not a burden on the property owners.

Suzanne said her understanding was that there would be a greater amount of support for a lower bond amount for a lower amount of time. It would give time to see if the state will step up to the plate to identify additional funding sources.

Council President Michael David commented that the roads in the county and in Ketchum are a disaster. It needs to be part of a bigger plan.

Councilor Anne Corrock went to the town hall meeting the other night. The legislatures seem to be working on this issue, it is not just a gas tax, but also a licensing issue and all of them need to be done to move forward. They don't want to keep putting band aids on it. If they do move forward, Councilor Corrock likes number one and capital improvements that go beyond what they have for regular maintenance of roads, she is not so keen on number 2. Councilor Corrock feels striping should be

maintained on a regular basis. Councilor Corrock commented on the bridge over Trail Creek. Councilor Corrock said they obviously need storm drains, but seems like regular maintenance.

Suzanne Frick commented that the County has not identified specific projects. The council could condition their support on Warm Springs Road. Number one is additional sidewalk improvements with lighting to improve pedestrian connections.

Robyn Mattison, Public Works Director, commented that they would need an engineer for number two, and the storm drains would be a new system so would not be maintenance. Regarding the bridge over Trail Creek, the reduced levy would not be enough to fund the project, and it would be dependent on ITD to be willing to fund it as well.

Councilor Baird Gourlay commented that he doesn't see any actual street improvements on this list.

Mayor Nina Jonas said they are all one time projects.

Councilor Baird Gourlay clarified that these priorities are not set in stone.

Councilor Baird Gourlay commented that the county has a list of projects they want to do. He wants to be on that list. If they are willing to put Warm Springs Road on the list, then the Council can then move forward with a letter. Councilor Gourlay suggested they also include that the city is in support of a gas tax in a letter.

Suzanne Frick said she will ask the county for their priority list.

Councilor Corrock commented that instead of putting dollar amounts on the list then just listing what the priorities are.

Council Jim Slanetz commented that staying on top of road maintenance should be a top priority.

Councilor Corrock would prefer it would go towards roads and streets rather than just right of ways.

Councilor Baird Gourlay suggested putting maintenance of existing roads on the list.

Mayor Nina Jonas said they will put together a letter and request the County Commissioners attend a future meeting and identify some of these concerns.

b. Discussion of Events – Jen Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation.

Jen Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation, provided a follow-up report from the January 20th meeting. They have conducted a survey of businesses, updated the special events application; which includes new fees including a facility charge, music licensing fee, and a new amplified sound permit. The event blackout dates have been included for Ketchum Town Square and a two block radius. The blackout dates will be the December and January winter holidays, President's week and the July 4th holiday weekend. The 100 decibel level is very loud, and staff is requesting approval on the blackout dates, facility fee, and music licensing fee.

Mayor Nina Jonas commented on having blackout dates for all the event sites.

Councilor Anne Corrock asked about the bike festival events that take place downtown, clarifying that it ends before the fourth of July and that the business are well informed regarding the criterium.

Councilor Anne Corrock asked about the filming issue. Jen Smith said they are working on a permit.

Councilor Anne Corrock asked about the survey that was done, it does bring concerns regarding the farmers market. Like any other event that is put on and brought forward, they need to consider the rest of the community and how it affects them.

Suzanne Frick, City Administrator commented that they fully support the farmers market. One of the issues is that as the event becomes more popular it impacts businesses and public safety. They will not be mandating anything to the farmers market, but they will need to operate within certain parameters. It will ultimately be up to the farmers market where they locate.

Mayor Nina Jonas commented that they are reinforcing Department Heads weigh in on the special event applications.

Council President Michael David commented on the importance of the public safety component of this, and also need to look at where the vendors are parking.

Council President Michael David asked about the decibel levels, by bringing it down to 80 will it be better. Jen clarified that Sharon handles it on a case by case basis so changing the ordinance is not recommended at this time.

Mayor Nina Jonas suggested a more predictable guideline, so that it is not so subjective.

Councilor Jim Slanetz commented that the 4th of July is not that busy in Ketchum.

Motion to approve blackout dates for events at the Ketchum Town Square and surrounding two-block radius; the addition of a 'facility fee' of \$100 per day for events that take place in public parks and use existing city infrastructure; and an additional 'public music licensing fee' of \$10 for events that play music publicly and who do not have BMI/SESAC/ASCAP licensure as proposed by staff be implemented for events beginning this summer.

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c. Discussion of the Comprehensive Zoning Code Revision and Interim Zoning Ordinance – Micah Austin, Director of Planning and Building.

Micah Austin, Director of Planning and Building, discussed the comprehensive rewrite of the Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of rewriting the Zoning Ordinance is to bring it into compliance with the 2015 Comprehensive Plan, recently adopted state statutes regulating land use ordinances are not reflected in the current Zoning Ordinance, more the 130 errors and concerns have been identified, current structure is outdated and difficult to navigate and only 25% of all uses are identified, creating significant interpretation challenges.

Staff is suggesting a three step approval to the Zoning Code rewrite. Phase 1 will be addressing known inconsistencies and restructure the ordinance; the product of phase 1 is the interim ordinance. Phase 2 is research and public outreach. Phase 3 will address how the new ordinance will necessitate amendments in other chapters of the municipal code and guiding documents.

An interim ordinance will address known issues immediately, it will give the city time to work on phase 2, and known inconsistencies would be addressed immediately. An interim ordinance will improve accessibility and ease of navigation, update and add definitions as necessary, eliminate all

unenforceable guidelines according to state code, eliminate "legacy" sections that have not been enforced for years and address multiple inconsistencies. The interim ordinance will reduce 47.2% pages.

Councilor Anne Corrock suggested having consistent definitions.

The Council was in favor of the direction that staff is taking.

6. AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS.

a. Collections Bureau Incorporated (CBI): Public Agency Collection Services Agreement – Dave Kassner, Police Chief.

Dave Kassner, Ketchum Police Chief, introduced the agreement with Collections Bureau Incorporated. The agreement is for collection services.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the public agency collection services agreement with CBI.

RESULT:	AUTHORIZED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael David, Council President
SECONDER:	Anne Corrock, Councilor
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7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

a. Ordinance 1128: Amending the idling penalty (third reading) – Dave Kassner, Police Chief.

Dave Kassner, Ketchum Police Chief, introduced the Ordinance for the third and final reading.

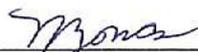
Motion to adopt Ordinance 1128, amending Title 8, Chapter 9, Ketchum City Code; which provides penalties for excessive idling of motor vehicles providing for savings and severability; repealing all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing an effective date hereof.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jim Slanetz, Councilor
SECONDER:	Michael David, Council President
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8. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PRESS.

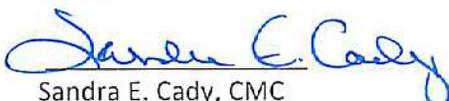
9. ADJOURNMENT.

Councilor Baird Gourlay motioned to adjourn at 7:13 p.m., Councilor Jim Slanetz seconded, the motion passed unanimously.



Nina Jonas
Mayor

ATTEST:


Sandra E. Cady, CMC
City Clerk