

# MINUTES

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**McCall City Council  
Regular Meeting  
April 12, 2007**

Agenda

Work Session  
Call to Order and Roll Call  
Reports  
Public Comment  
Consent Agenda  
Business Agenda  
Council Talk Time  
Adjournment

## WORK SESSION

**Mayor Robertson called the regular meeting of the McCall City Council to order at 4:05 p.m. Council Member Bailey, Council Member Bertram, Mayor Robertson, Council Member Kraemer, and Council Member Scott answered roll call. A quorum was present.**

Also present were Lindley Kirkpatrick, City Manager; Bill Nichols, City Attorney; and John Anderson, Airport Manager.

**AB 07-65 Airport Development Work Session**

John Anderson reviewed two memos concerning scheduled air service and the "Through the Fence" policy. There was a lengthy discussion, including Scott Turlington and Judd DeBoer.

## CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

**A brief recess was taken, and the meeting resumed at 6:22 p.m.**

Other City staff members joining the meeting at this time were David Simmonds, Information Systems Manager; Anne Kantola, Librarian; Brenda Loftis, Human Resource Officer; Fred Quiel, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services; John Anderson, Airport Manager; Carol Coyle, Grant Coordinator; Steven Hasson, Planning Manager; Allan Morrison, Golf Pro; Eric McCormick, Golf Course Superintendent; and Joanne York, City Clerk.

Mayor Robertson made the following modifications to the agenda:

- The Public Comment section was moved before the Reports Section.

- AB 07-60: Approval of Resolution 07-6 was added to the Recommended Action for the Safe Routes to Schools grant.
- AB 07-64 was pulled because Council will address it at a work session.

Mayor Robertson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

**Mayor Robertson called for public comment at 6:26 p.m.**

**Hearing no comments, Mayor Robertson closed the public comment at 6:27 p.m.**

## REPORTS

Lindley Kirkpatrick, City Manager, presented his monthly report to Council, and highlighted the following:

Community Housing. The open house for Community Housing was held on April 11 and had been well attended. He referred to the many applications that had either been submitted or had already been approved, even though the Community Housing project was only started about a year ago. He briefly described the involvement that VARHA had had with the County community housing.

Sewer. The public hearing concerning the sewer issue is scheduled for April 24. The public hearing will not be a Council hearing, but Council may attend. The schedule for the evening will include an initial presentation, a question and answer period, and a closing presentation. Mr. Kirkpatrick distributed the Draft Wastewater Facility Plan to Council.

FY08 Budget. Mr. Kirkpatrick said the budget process had begun for FY08. He said he was not anticipating doing a formal multi-year budget but wanted to have more future planning included in the narratives. He said there will not be a formal capital improvement plan included either, but there will be planning for phasing into it in the future.

Mr. Kirkpatrick said that several work sessions have been scheduled for Council for the budget process, including one that would include the Local Option Tax (LOT) Commission on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Other specific dates he noted included:

- May 24           LOT Commission to present final recommendations to Council
- June 11         Budget Public Open House
- June 19         Work Session with Council
- July 19         Work Session with Council
- August 9        Public Hearing
- August 23      Council approval of budget and adoption of appropriation ordinance

Urban Renewal Project. Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that only one bid had been received for the Street and Parking portion of the Urban Renewal Project, and that it was substantially higher than expected. As a result, the McCall Urban Renewal Agency (MURA) is considering combining the two separate projects and re-bid as one larger project. Council Member Bailey added that a geo-tech analysis on the parking area must be completed in order to finish the design. Council Member Scott asked Mr. Hasson to look into whether the amount of time for closure of the boat-trailer park could be shortened. Mr. Hasson said that consolidation of the bids and having only one developer coordinate the entire project should reduce the time element and improve coordination.

Channel 7 Live Broadcasting. Mr. Kirkpatrick said that on April 30, Channel 7 will be broadcasting their morning news show live from McCall, between 6 and 7 a.m. He said the television station wanted to have an event to bring people out and to spend that hour showcasing McCall. He said that the Comprehensive Plan process, the Community Housing program, the new elementary school, and the renovation of Legacy Park are a few of the projects that might be discussed. Council Member Bertram asked that the golf course be included.

Personnel updates. Mr. Kirkpatrick said the streets crew would be working four ten-hour days during the summer. Council Member Bertram complimented the street crew for the work they have already been doing cleaning the streets.

Employee of the Month Program. Mr. Kirkpatrick said that Ms. Loftis had been working to instill a culture of recognition for employees and as part of that, was developing an Employee of the Month Program.

Council Member Bailey asked Ms. Loftis to also consider adding a Volunteer of the Month Program to encompass all the committee participants.

Mr. Kirkpatrick asked Council to let him know what he and the staff could do to further the leadership role of the council.

Anne Kantola, Librarian, reported that the other doors at the library had been installed and were much lighter and easier to move. She thanked Council for their support.

Council Member Bertram said that the children's programs offered at the library were amazing. Ms. Kantola suggested having the library featured as one of the stories for Channel 7.

Mr. McCormick, Golf Superintendent, announced that there was an opening on the Golf Advisory Committee due to the resignation of one of the committee members.

There was a discussion concerning the job opening for a GIS Technician. Ms. Loftis explained that this was a part-time temporary position to get the City's GIS mapping system up and running.

Council Member Bailey asked about the status of listing Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) tail numbers. Mr. Anderson said about 137 numbers had been found and entered into the system.

Council Member Bailey asked Mr. Hasson to submit the list of changes to the City Code early enough to allow for Council review before the public hearings. Mr. Hasson said he had been accumulating changes, corrections, and text amendments, and would submit them to Council in time for their review.

There was a discussion with Mr. Hasson concerning the many land use applications that have come before the Building Department.

Council Member Bertram asked Ms. Coyle about the Idaho Community Development Block Grant. Ms. Coyle said the grant application was on hold pending whether or not there would be an Urban Renewal District in the southwest corridor.

Mayor Robertson expressed his thanks to Shirley Overton, Deputy City Clerk, for the Business License Activity Report she prepared for Council each month, saying that now it contained information that was pertinent to Council.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Staff recommended approval of the following items:

- Minutes – March 1, 5, 6, and 23, 2007
- Warrant Register printed on April 6, 2007
- Payroll Report for Period ending March 23, 2007
- AB 07-58 Alcohol Beverage License
- AB 07-56 Planning & Zoning Commission Member Appointment – Doug Russell
- AB 07-59 Fair Housing Month Proclamation – April 2007
- AB 07-61 Poston/Miller Airport Lease
- AB 07-60 Safe Routes to Schools Grant

Council Member Scott asked about the payment to the Sabala Foundation listed in the Warrant Register. Mr. Kirkpatrick said this was the final payment.

Doug Russell, applicant for the Planning and Zoning Committee, was introduced, and explained to Council his background and his desire to serve on the committee.

Mayor Robertson asked Ms. Coyle about the Safe Routes to Schools grant. Ms. Coyle explained that the City was very qualified to receive this grant. She explained the requirements for applying for the grant and the pathway system the City would be able to build if the grant was received.

**Council Member Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda, with the addition of Resolution 07-6 to AB 07-60, and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents. Council Member Scott seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Council Member Bailey, Council Member Scott, Council Member Kraemer, Council Member Bertram, and Mayor Robertson voted aye, and the motion carried.**

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

### **AB 07-62 Mosquito Abatement Program**

Nathan Hill of Univar and Jack Bennett of the Ada County Mosquito Abatement District gave a presentation of the West Nile virus situation, how the virus spreads, and what mosquito abatement consists of.

Jerry Winkle, Valley County Commissioner, explained that the County was working on developing a mosquito abatement district to include all of Valley County, rather than having smaller individual mosquito abatement districts. He said having a larger district would help to ensure that fogging would hit all the problem areas.

Mr. McCormick discussed the mosquito fogging at the golf course. Mayor Robertson said the City's goal was to maintain a better golfing experience and noted that the fogging would help provide a safer environment. Mr. Winkle asked Mr. Bennett if the spraying would cause harm to other insects and birds. Mr. Bennett explained that studies had been done and the results showed that there was no harm done to beneficial insects and birds at all. Mr. Hill added that the fogging was done at dusk using a very minute dose of product.

There was discussion about biological treatments such as using swallows and bats to eat mosquitoes and how to incorporate the biological treatments with the fogging. Mr. Hill suggested that the City begin to map out problem areas in and around the city, including areas with standing water that attract the mosquitoes, and then test for the mosquitoes.

Mayor Robertson asked Mr. Winkle to keep the City informed of the status in forming the mosquito abatement district for Valley County.

Council Member Scott asked that any and all biological treatments be used as much as possible.

**Council Member Kraemer moved to approve mosquito fogging at the Golf Course as needed. Council Member Bertram seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Council Member Kraemer, Council Member Bertram, Mayor Robertson, Council Member Bailey, and Council Member Scott all voted aye, and the motion carried.**

### **AB 07-63 Golf Rates for 2007**

Eric McCormick, Golf Superintendent, explained that he, the City Manager, the Golf Pro, and the Golf Advisory Committee, recommended that the golf rate structure remain the same for the coming year.

Mr. Morrison said the greens were in excellent shape this year and have been for the last few years, and that keeping the golf rates the same – and lower than the competitors - should appeal to golfers.

Mr. Quiel, Deputy City Manager/Administrative Services, said that he was researching the promissory note for the irrigation improvements for the golf course to see if it could be refinanced, which would alleviate some of the financial pressure at the golf course.

Mr. McCormick said the City wanted to promote the McCall Golf Course as the most affordable place to play and emphasize that that the rates have not been raised. He said the funding source would be the players green fees.

Mr. Morrison said the twilight rates will begin at 2 p.m. everyday for 9 holes only.

**Mayor Robertson moved to approve the golf rate structure as recommended. Council Member Bailey seconded the motion. All in favor said aye, and the motion carried.**

**AB 07-46 Revisions to Chapter 1 of Title 4 Business Regulations of the McCall City Code, concerning Qualifications for City Alcohol Beverage Licenses. Ordinance No. 834.**

Mr. Nichols explained that Ordinance No. 834 would correct inconsistencies in the wording in Sections 05.A.3., 05.A.3.a. and 05.A.3.b. of Chapter 1 Title 4 Business Regulations of the McCall City Code, so that an applicant could look in one place to read all the requirements.

**Council Member Scott moved to suspend the rules, read by title only, one time only, Ordinance No. 834. Council Member Kraemer seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Council Member Scott, Council Member Kraemer, Council Member Bertram, Mayor Robertson, and Council Member Bailey all voted aye, and the motion**

The Clerk read Ordinance No. 834 by title only, one time only.

**Council Member Scott moved to adopt Ordinance No. 834 amending the McCall City Code, correcting inconsistencies in the wording in sections 05.A.3., 05.A.3.a., and 05.A.3.b. of Chapter 1 Title 4 Business Regulations of the McCall City Code concerning Qualifications for City Alcohol Beverage Licenses, and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents. Council Member Bertram seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Council Member Scott, Council Member Bertram, Council Member Kraemer, Council Member Bailey, and Mayor Robertson all voted aye, and the motion carried.**

## **COUNCIL TALK TIME**

Council Member Bertram asked Mr. Nichols about the process of pulling a contractor's bond and the timeline involved. Mr. Nichols explained the difference between a bond and a letter of credit, and said that Mr. Olson had been required to post a letter of credit. Mr. Nichols said that

the City had agreed to an extension to July 1, 2007, for Mr. Olson in order to allow him time to get the work done. He further explained that if Mr. Olson did not complete the work on time, the City would still have time to pull his letter of credit, receive the money and hire someone else to complete the work this season.

Mayor Robertson noted that according to the Airport Advisory Committee Minutes, there were no names on the hangar waiting list. Mr. Kirkpatrick explained that everyone on the list had either accepted or declined, which allowed those hangars to be offered to other people.

Council Member Bailey requested to have an executive session to discuss litigation at the next council meeting.

Council Member Scott said she had received a complaint about potholes on Highway 55 and asked about the timeliness of pothole repair by Idaho Transportation Department (ITD). Mr. Kirkpatrick said that City crews sometimes filled potholes when there was no response from ITD or the County.

Mr. Kirkpatrick suggested having another work session to discuss strategic planning and the Council's vision. Council Member Scott said she also considered that a good idea.

Mayor Robertson discussed the issue of bringing adult court sessions back to the McCall Annex. He asked the City Manager to write a letter to Judge Boomer in response to a letter the Judge had written to the City.

## COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Minutes included in the Council packets for review:

Airport Advisory Committee – March 1, 2007

Library Board of Trustees – February 15, 2007

## ADJOURNMENT

Without further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

  
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William A. Robertson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Joanne E. York, City Clerk