

**MCCALL CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 9, 2006**

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### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Robertson called the regular meeting of the McCall City Council to order at 6:05 p.m. Council Member Bailey, Council Member Bertram, Council Member Kraemer, Mayor Robertson, and Council Member Scott answered roll call. A quorum was present.

Bill Nichols, City Attorney, was present.

City staff members present were Lindley Kirkpatrick, City Manager; Carol Coyle, Grant Writer; Michelle Groenevelt, Community Planner; Rick Harvey, Airport Manager; Brock Heasley, Parks & Recreation Director; Anne Kantola, Library Director; Brenda Loftis, Human Resource Director; Allan Morrison, Golf Pro; Jerry Palmerton, Golf Course Superintendent; David Simmonds, Information Services Manager; Jerry Summers, Chief of Police; and Joanne York, City Clerk.

Mayor Robertson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AB 06-34, Contract for Remodeling of the McCall Senior Center, was removed from the Agenda because staff was still seeking bids on the project.

A handout Warrant Register dated March 9 was distributed to Council.

### **REPORTS**

The consolidated monthly department reports were included in the Council packets.

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Jerry Palmerton, Golf Course Supervisor, discussed the remodeling project at the Clubhouse and showed the Council paint and carpet samples.

Kristi Foster, Treasurer, told the Council that work had begun on the preliminary budget schedule. She also announced her resignation because her husband had accepted a job out of state.

Council Member Bertram requested that the Parks and Recreation Department improve the electrical panel around the big tree at Art Roberts Park that had been installed when holiday lights were put up. Brock Heasley, Parks and Recreation Director, said he would take care of it.

Council Member Bertram asked Mr. Heasley about the status of relocating the gymnastics program since Heartland Gymnastics had been sold. There was some discussion about locations for non-profits such as Heartland, including using city land where the Central Idaho Historical Museum is located. Council Member Bertram requested that Mr. Nichols, City Attorney, check the agreement with the State of Idaho to see what the restrictions were and what uses were allowed.

Noting the time, Mayor Robertson said that the reports would be continued after the Public Hearing.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

**At 6:34 p.m., Mayor Robertson opened the Public Hearing.**

### **AB 06-59 Resolution 06-11, Planning and Zoning Fees**

Mr. Kirkpatrick, City Manager, introduced AB 06-59, stating that the new fee structure would bring McCall's fees up to a level comparable to other similar communities.

There was a short discussion concerning the fee schedule.

**Hearing no other comments, Mayor Robertson closed the Public Hearing at 6:43 p.m.**

**Council Member Bailey moved to adopt Resolution 06-11. Council Member Bertram seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.**

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At this time, Mayor Robertson returned to the Reports section.

### REPORTS, CONTINUED

Bill Keating, Public Works Director, informed the Council the portable flow meters were being moved to different locations to get more data. He also stated that the J-Ditch pond was about one inch higher than this time last year due to this year's greater amount of snowfall.

There was discussion concerning the vacancy for the Water Treatment Plant Operator.

Further discussion focused on how to keep the 400 fire hydrants in town free of snow, including offering incentives to homeowners for keeping their neighborhood hydrants cleared. Another issue discussed was the need for more snow plowing equipment, especially since more public roads will be developed along with new subdivisions.

Rick Harvey, Airport Manager, informed the Council that the airport grant agreement will be ready to present to Council soon.

Dave Simmonds, Information Services Manager, informed the Council that there had been 200,000 hits on the City's website in the last three years since the website was started. At the request of Council, he said he would develop an index system to use with the Council's electronic packet, to make it easier to search for specific items.

Anne Kantola, Library Director, informed the Council about the Library's new program called Info Center.

Council Member Bertram asked about the status of the "Shortcut" statue. Ms. Kantola explained that the decision concerning the placement of the statue was on hold until after the snow was gone so that the lawn condition could be examined, and that the McCall Improvement Committee had asked that Mr. Heasley and Ms. Kantola return a recommendation to the committee at that time.

Ms. Kantola also stated that the library roof needed to be examined after the snow melted, to determine the location of leaks.

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Andrew Lemberers, Deputy Chief, Fire Department, discussed the safety procedures used following the bomb threat at the high school earlier in the day.

Jerry Summers, Police Chief, reported he had received good responses for open positions since implementing the housing bonus. He said he had made two offers that had been accepted and these applicants were currently in background check. He also reported to the Council concerning the bomb scare.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, City Manager, announced the training and orientation session to be held at the fire station the following Wednesday. He also gave the Council an update on the waste water situation and that the moratorium was still scheduled to be released on March 21. He informed the Council of an upcoming work session in mid-April concerning the budgeting process.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Robertson called for public comment at 8 p.m; hearing no comments, he closed the public comment at 8: 01 p.m.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

There was some discussion concerning the Warrant Register.

Council Member Bertram moved to approve the Consent Agenda and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents. Council Member Scott seconded the motion. Council Member Bailey, Council Member Bertram, Council Member Kraemer, Mayor Robertson, and Council Member Scott voted aye. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

### **BUSINESS AGENDA**

#### **AB 06-40 Discussion of the creation of an Environmental Advisory Committee**

Mr. Kirkpatrick, City Manager, introduced this item, stating it was a result of Debbie Fereday's work on developing a Mission Statement.

**The Council directed staff to form an advisory committee of citizens to further develop the Mission Statement, including objectives with actionable goals to address local needs. Suggestions were made for possible**

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participants on this committee, including Mary Woods, Lyle Nelson, Liz Warner, and Debbie Fereday. Council Member Bertram asked that a notice be put in the newspaper to recruit members.

**AB 06-61 Resolution 06-10, Idaho Transportation Department Grant Application to remodel the carport at the McCall Senior Citizens Center**

Carol Coyle, Grant Writer, introduced this item and showed Council pictures of the existing carport.

Council Member Bailey moved to approve submission of the FTA 5310 application, adopt Resolution 06-10, and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents. Council Member Bertram seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

**AB 06-62 City Manager Evaluation**

The Council completed about half of the evaluation; the rest of the evaluation will be conducted at the Council retreat scheduled for March 27.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Without further business, Mayor Robertson adjourned the meeting at 9:56 p.m.

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William A. Robertson, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Joanne E. York, City Clerk