

**CITY OF ABERDEEN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 11, 2006**

**Mayor Morgan Anderson** called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. City Clerk Marva Jean Mueller was present to record the following minutes.

Council members present were: Lisa Pankau, Brian Schneider, Darrin Simpson and Craig Wampler.

Other present at the meeting were: Joshua Elliott, Trever Vaughn, Ryan Woods, Caden Evans, Joshua Snyder, Ian Poulson, Hayden Driscoll, McClain Foster, Alex Ure, Steve Love, Denise Dancliff, Kathy Satterfield, Ema Satterfield, Darrald Bean, Mike Bondman, Diana Schritter, Tom Wright, Dawn Moon, Galen Poyser, Mike Petersen, Elissa Evans, Marc Foster, Craig Adams, Charles Bair and Errol Covington.

Boy Scout Troup 151 presented the flag and asked those in attendance to follow them in the pledge of allegiance, followed by a presentation honoring Mayor Anderson, Marva Jean and the council.

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES**

**Councilwoman Pankau** made the motion to approve the minutes with one correction on page two, last paragraph should read Misty Wallace, not Misty Anderson. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried.

**Commissioner Covington** presented to the Mayor and Council a framed picture of The Prayer at Valley Forge in honor of the grand opening of the new city hall.

**Tom Wright** with Wright's Repair stated that he would like to offer his time and equipment as a community service to help clean up the abandoned vehicles parked on city property to help with the beautification of the city. He stated that he would do this for the city at no cost. He also stated that he would do it for property owners also but would charge a minimum fee. He stated that he would work closely with the police department to make sure they have a clear title.

**Chief Dalling** stated that he would have to put a notice on the car that it is going to be towed within 48 hours and during that time he would have to write a letter to the last registered owner giving them a certain amount of time to take care of it. Then if there is no response from them he would have to send some more paper work to the state, and then if it is determined that the car is worth less than \$200.00 he could seize the car and have it crushed. Chief Dalling stated that it is a lot easier if the owner will just have it hauled away. Chief Dalling asked Tom if he would be willing to tow vehicles that have been in accidents. Tom stated that he hadn't thought about that but he would consider it.

**Mike Petersen** stated that in the last few weeks some people in the community have approached him about the general condition of the community, especially all the trash around the community. He stated that he advised them that we are just finishing a long winter and it has been raining a lot and there has not been time for the people to clean up their yards yet. He stated that they realize that, but they are concerned about all the old cars that are around and the general trash that you see throughout the town. He stated that they told him they can't wait to move out of the community. Mayor Anderson stated that they are trying to work on this problem, but there are rules and regulations that we are governed by. Mr. Petersen stated that he realizes that, but we do have ordinances that need to be enforced. Mayor Anderson advised him that they will work on the problem.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that Mooner's Bar would like to have the beer license approved. Dawn Moon stated that she would like to have the beer license that they paid for as Sunset Bar transferred to Mooner's Bar. She stated that they have the state and county license now under Mooner's Bar.

### **MOTION TO TRANSFER BEER LICENSE**

**Councilman Simpson** made the motion to approve the transfer of the license from Sunset Bar to Mooner's Bar. Councilman Schneider seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Simpson, yes and Wampler, yes. Voting was unanimous, the motion carried.

**Darrald Bean** stated that the city received a 21 ½ percent increase in our health insurance through Blue Cross. Mr. Bean explained the different options that the city could do. Mr. Bean stated that he is going to send applications in to other insurances to see if we can get a lower quote for insurance.

**Marva Jean** stated that the city did budget for an increase in insurance, but she didn't feel that it would harm anyone concerned if the city would increase the deductible from 1,000.00 to \$1500.00 with the buy down.

### **MOTION**

**Councilwoman Pankau** made the motion that the city accepts the Blue Cross insurance proposal with one change, which would be to change the deductible from \$1000.00 to \$1500.00 with the buy down on the contingency that no other carrier comes in with a lower bid. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion.

Roll call: Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Simpson, yes and Wampler, yes. Voting was unanimous, the motion carried.

**Greg Adams** presented the council with the revised version of the County Emergency Plan. He stated that they revised the plan so that it will match FEMA's plan. He stated that they annexed some programs into it that FEMA has, like volunteer management and search teams. Commissioner

Covington stated that they have developed a CERT team in Blackfoot and hope to develop one in northern Bingham County and one in the Aberdeen area. He said that Bingham County has the ability to come down here and teach a class if Aberdeen citizens would like for them to do that. He said that they would like to have a team of 8 or more in this area. Councilman Simpson said that he would really be interested in taking the class.

**Mayor Anderson** signed the letter of acceptance for the emergency plan.

The council decided to give Mayor Anderson the responsibility for setting the burn days.

**Councilman Schneider** advised the council that the golf course bought a new mower last year and Don decided that the old Jacobson would not serve a purpose for the golf course anymore and decided to put it out for bids. He had 3 or 4 people talk to him about purchasing the mower but only one person turned in a bid. The bid was opened from Charles Bair for \$2,501.00.

### **MOTION**

**Councilman Schneider** made the motion to accept the bid for \$2501.00 from Charles Bair. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion.

Roll call: Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Simpson, yes and Wampler, yes. All were in favor, the motion carried.

**Councilman Simpson** stated that he wants to get with Richard and set up some priorities on what they want to do on the streets. He stated that the good news is that the city was awarded a grant to do a transportation plan.

**Mayor Anderson** read the letter from the Rural Highway Investment Program that he received advising him that the city's application had been accepted for 2007 which will start October 1, 2006. He advised them the grant is for \$45,000.00 with a match of \$5,000.00 from the city. He stated that he had been working with Judy Harman and she gave him a list of engineers that they would recommend for a project like this. He said that he would be contacting some of them to get a quote for the project.

**Councilman Simpson** stated that he would like to commend the city for being committed to preserve what they can for the employees benefits.

**Councilwoman Pankau** stated that the crew has been working on the roof of the restroom at the city park. Mayor Anderson stated that they do have a bid for the three bathroom doors which will be \$2,600.00.

**Councilwoman Pankau** said they would like to have the restrooms at the city park ready for Aberdeen Daze in June.

She stated that Simplot Soil Builders would be doing the fertilizing for the parks this year.

## HEARING TO INCREASE FEES AT GOLF COURSE

**Mayor Anderson** opened up the hearing to hear comments about the increase of the golf fees at Harzard Creek. There was no one at the meeting to comment for or against the raising of the golf fees.

### MOTION

**Councilman Schneider** made the motion to increase the golf fees as recommended by Don Nebeker to be the same as American Falls fees. Councilman Wampler seconded the motion.

Roll call: Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Simpson, yes and Wampler, yes. All were in favor, the motion passed.

**Councilman Schneider** stated that at the planning and zoning meeting they discussed the zoning board having more responsibility and they were willing to do that. He stated that he would contact Dan Acevedo about changing the code to give them the authority to be a decision making body.

**Councilman Wampler** stated that the sheds are almost completed and will be moved out to the waste water treatment plant, and then we would need to get some power to them.

**Councilman Wampler** stated that Scott is doing some sampling at the treatment plant and fresh packs for total settleable solids (TSS).

**Councilman Wampler** stated that they are still having a problem with the amount of dirt the warehouses are sending to the waste water plant.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that Dan Acevedo was unable to be here tonight because he was away to a meeting, but he had told the mayor he was still working with Simplot on the water shares.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that the new city hall is 99% complete. He stated that he figured around \$103,000.00 for the building of the new city hall. He reminded the council that the open house and ribbon cutting would be Thursday April 13, 2006 at 5:30p.m.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that Councilman Fettis painted the door between the police station and city hall and will paint the other door going into the shop later when he has more time.

**Chief Dalling** stated that Officer Neilson has turned in his resignation. He stated that they are now down one full time officer and one part time officer.

**Richard Mayer** gave his monthly report.

**Marva Jean Mueller** stated that she would like to start looking into a new software program in the near future.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that Steve Morris from Simplot Food Division made the signs for the names and offices.

### MOTION TO PAY BILLS

**Councilman Simpson** made the motion to pay the bills presented for payment. Checks or Warrents #16020- #16021 & #16024- #16076 for a total of \$51,722.67 was presented for payment. Of this amount \$35,746.53 was from the General Fund, \$7,390.27 was from the Water Fund, and \$8,585.87 was from the Waste Water Fund. Councilwoman Pankau seconded the motion.

Roll call: Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Simpson, yes and Wampler, yes. All were in favor, the motion carried.

### MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Councilman Simpson** made the motion to adjourn until May 9, 2006 at 7:00p.m. Councilman Wampler seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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A. Morgan Anderson  
Mayor

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Marva Jean Mueller  
City Clerk Treasurer