

**CITY OF ABERDEEN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 10, 2007**

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

Council members present were Hap Fettis, Mary Leisy, Lisa Pankau, Brian Schneider, Derek Tilley and Craig Wampler.

Others present were Richard Mayer, Ray Dalling, Dan Acevedo, Vicki Gamble, Errol Covington, Lillian Bowen, Shannon Cook, Harold Klassen, Joan Klassen, Tom Richardson and Carol Richardson.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Councilman Schneider** made a motion to approve the minutes as typed. Councilwoman Leisy seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed.

**County Commissioner Errol Covington** advised the council that the county will have an election May 22, 2007 to determine whether the residents of Bingham County want to establish a mosquito abatement district. He stated that the county does not have the money to take care of the mosquito problem. He said that if the voters say yes, then the county will form an advisory board and they will set a levy amount so there are funds available to combat the mosquito problem. But he stated that even if they vote yes the money won't be available until next year. He said that this year they will be asking the residents to help out by making sure there is no standing water around their property and by spraying their property themselves.

**Commissioner Covington** stated that the county bought a fogger last year, along with chemicals and pellets. He said they will be doing some fogging and releasing of some pellets again this year, but it cost approximately \$80,000.00 to spray from one end of the county to the other, and the spraying effect doesn't last very long and the mosquitoes hatch more eggs every day.

**Commissioner Covington** stated that the county will be trapping mosquitoes and sending 80 at a time to be tested for the West Nile Virus. He stated this will determine the level of a problem we have in Bingham County.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that there is a man that works out at the Experiment Station that has a lot of experience with dealing with mosquitoes and he would be willing to serve as an advisor to the board on the mosquito problem.

**Councilman Tilley** asked if someone could come to Aberdeen and speak to the residents and advise them what they could do to help with the problem.

**Harold Klassen** asked if the city could change the width of 5<sup>th</sup> Street on the West side of Block 180 for three blocks going south to the end of town from 80 feet to 60 feet. The council advised him he would have to go to the Planning & Zoning Board and they would have to hold a hearing.

He stated that he had asked the Planning & Zoning Board about splitting lots 11 & 12 in Block 180, going North and South instead of East and West. He would like to put a manufactured home on one of the lots and remodel the old house that is on the lot nearest to 5<sup>th</sup> West and he would like them both to face to Boise St. Marva Jean stated that the Planning and Zoning Board made a recommendation that the council approve the splitting of lots 11 and 12 in Block 180.

### MOTION

**Councilman Fettis** made the motion to approve the splitting of lots 11 & 12 in block 180 so that they would run North and South.

**Mr. Klassen** asked permission for a fifth-wheel trailer to be parked on the lots while the remodeling on the house and the foundation for the manufactured home is being done.

### MOTION

**Councilman Schneider** made the motion that the council approves the temporary placing of a 5<sup>th</sup> wheel trailer for a period of no longer than six months on lots 11 & 12 in block 180. Councilman Fettis seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that he felt that portable structures, like carports need to be tied down. Marva Jean stated that Building Inspector Les Howell said that he thinks that portable sheds should be tied down also. Dan Acevedo stated that before the city requires tie downs they should set a size limit, because a dog house could be considered a portable structure. He suggested that the city call other towns and see what they are doing about portable structures.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that the state put counters and speed markers on Main St. a few weeks ago and found that most vehicles were traveling 27 to 28 miles per hour in the 25mph zone and in the 35mph zone the average speed was between 33 to 38 mph. Traffic north of town was going a little slower than those traveling south.

**Mayor Anderson** said that as soon as the city passes an ordinance changing the speed limit from 35 to 25 mph the Transportation Dept. will come and replace the signs. Mayor Anderson asked Dan Acevedo to prepare an ordinance on the speed limits change from Bingham St. to Custer St. from 35mph to 25mph.

**Mayor Anderson** said that he had received several complaints from people about trucks using Jake brakes from both directions coming into town. Dan Acevedo stated that he will write a Jake brake ordinance and also talk with the county about the problem.

**Lillian Bowen** from HDR stated she was here to speak with the council about the appraisal for the land by the airport.

### **MOTION FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Councilman Brian Schneider** made the motion to go into an executive session according to State Code 67-2345 to discuss the appraisal for the property owned by Klassens that is connected to the airport. Councilwoman Leisy seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Fettis, yes; Leisy, yes; Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Tilley, yes and Wampler, yes. All were in favor, the motion carried.

The council went into the executive session at 8:12p.m.  
The council came out of executive session at 8:26p.m.

### **MOTION**

**Councilwoman Pankau** made the motion to accept the land appraisal and to have HDR present this offer to the Klassen Family for the purchase of the land connected to the airport. Councilwoman Leisy seconded the motion.

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

### **MOTION**

**Councilwoman Leisy** made the motion to approve Amendment No. 2 for the agreement for Engineering Services pertaining to Aberdeen Land Acquisition. Councilman Schneider seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Fettis, yes; Leisy, yes; Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Tilley, yes and Wampler, yes. Voting was unanimous, the motion passed.

**Councilwoman Pankau** stated that the city crew will be hauling in dirt to fill in the volleyball field at Posse Park so that they can lay sod down. They will also be extending the sprinkling system there so that they can water the new grass. She stated that the city will be buying new volleyball nets to replace the old ones.

**Councilwoman Pankau** asked Richard if he wanted Bio Flora to do the fertilizing and spraying for weeds at the parks. Richard stated that he believed that the crew could spray for weeds if she would like to have Bio Flora do the fertilizing.

**Councilman Schneider** stated that he would like to put in a new water line by Powerline Road with the council's approval. This would supply water to

the new housing development across Powerline Rd. in the county. He stated that the city has already agreed to furnish them water. He stated that the cost of this project would be \$10,000.00 for the engineering fees and \$25,000.00 for the material.

### **MOTION**

**Councilman Schneider** made the motion to accept Keller Associates engineering services bid and go ahead with the water project. Councilman Fettis seconded the motion.

Roll call: Fettis, yes; Leisy, yea; Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Tilley, yes and Wampler, yes. Voting was unanimous, the motion carried.

**Councilman Schneider** stated that he has received several complaints about junk cars around town. He said they do not understand why the city can not do something about this when there is a junk ordinance already in place. Mayor Anderson said that we like the residents to let us know when they see the junk cars or areas that might need to be cleaned up because the city is not always aware of all of them.

**Councilman Fettis** stated that he was made aware that there are some people in the residential areas that are asking for larger garbage cans. He said he spoke with Snake River Dispose-All and they would like to discourage larger cans in the residential areas. He said that they tip over easy and are hard to move around. Marva Jean stated that there are already a few that have the larger cans. The council decided to pick up the large cans and replace them with the 90 gallon ones. He stated that they are allowed to have more than one 90 gallon can.

**Councilman Fettis** stated that Keller Associates are working on the transportation plan. He stated that the city is planning on grading the graveled roads and apply magnesium chloride. They will also seal coat the streets that they paved last year and they will pave Lincoln between 2<sup>nd</sup> East and 3<sup>rd</sup> East. He stated that he is trying to get a hold of the rail road to speak with them about the tracks on Lincoln and Central. He said he would also like to pave the alley behind Wallace Drug. He advised the council that the price for oil has gone up to \$520.00 a ton, which means the cost of oiling one block will increase approximately \$1,500.00 to \$2000.00. The cost of seal coat oil has gone up \$100.00 a ton.

**Councilman Tilley** stated that Mayor Anderson and he had a meeting with Mark Cowley who is over the Blackfoot Bingham County Youth Coalition about involving the youth from Aberdeen that belongs to BBCYC in the Mayor's youth council. He stated that Capt. Cowley will talk with the youth and see if that is something they would like to do.

**Councilwoman Leisy** stated that Arbor Day will be May 1<sup>st</sup> at the University of Idaho Research & Extension Center in Aberdeen. She also advised the council that she will be putting up some maps around town, asking people to write on them to give their ideas to where they would like to see the proposed walking path placed.

**Councilwoman Leisy** stated that the Great Rift Business Development Organization is working to get development into the area.

**Councilwoman Leisy** asked if the crew could get the water turned on at the Kiosk.

**Councilman Wampler** stated that the chlorine meter has been installed but they are having a few problems with it. He said they have called someone to come and look at it. He said they are almost finished with the sheds. He advised the council that they are working on a few repairs at the treatment plant. He said that they hired Keith Pendleton from St. George, Utah who has had a lot of experience in waste water.

**Councilman Wampler** stated that he is still working on the city's web site and feels that he might have it completed in the next month.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that he has had several people calling about burning their yard waste so he took the initiative and let them start burning.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that Norman Jones' term on the Planning and Zoning Board is up, so they will need to come up with a name for a new board member.

**Mayor Anderson** stated that Bill Mueller will be taking care of the parks this year.

**Chief Dalling** stated that all of the police officers are now certified by the State of Idaho.

**Richard Mayer** reported on the work the crew has been doing in the past month. He stated they have been trimming trees and bushes in the alleys. They have been grading the graveled roads so they will be ready to have magnesium chloride put on them. He said that they have also read a few water meters.

**Marva Jean** advised the council that David and Linda Brainard have applied for a kennel license. She stated that they have met all the requirements to get a license. She said she is presenting the application to the council for approval.

## **MOTION**

**Councilwoman Leisy** made the motion to approve the application for a kennel license for David Brainard at 234 N 3<sup>rd</sup> West. Councilman Hap Fettis seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed.

## **MOTION TO PAY THE BILLS**

**Councilman Schneider** made the motion to pay March's 2007 bills presented for payment. Councilwoman Pankau seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Fettis, yes; Leisy, yes; Pankau, yes; Schneider, yes; Tilley,

yes and Wampler, yes. Voting was unanimous, the motion passed.

**Councilwoman Leisy** stated that Global Air will add our airport to their web site.

### **MOTION**

**Councilman Wampler** made the motion to adjourn until May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Councilman Tilley seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41p.m.