## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO, HELD AT COEUR D'ALENE CITY HALL, FEBRUARY 15, 2005

The Mayor and Council of the City of Coeur d'Alene met in a regular session of said Council at the Coeur d'Alene City Hall, February 15, 2005 at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

Loren Edinger	)	Members of Council Present
Al Hassell	)	
Woody McEvers	)	
Ben Wolfinger	)	
Deanna Goodlander	)	
Dixie Reid	)	

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bloem.

**INVOCATION:** Pastor Tom Weadick led the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**: Councilman Edinger led the pledge of allegiance.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**LIBRARY FOUNDATION – PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE:** Denny Davis and Sandy Patano, with Ruth Pratt presented the City Council with a plaque for their efforts in the successful bond election for the Library building. Mayor Bloem expressed her appreciation for all their effort.

**FIXED ROUTE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**: Jim Ball, expressed his appreciation to Dixie Reid and the members of the Committee in bringing public transportation to the City.

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION: What is the status of the Kroc Foundation grant?** Troy Tymesen responded that the status is very good. A group of people are working on completing the grant application. Part of that process is to gather enough pledges to go towards maintaining a \$25,000,000 facility which includes an aquatic center, a sports center, educational center, multi-purpose center and a performing arts center. The Kroc Foundation has extended the grant deadline to April 4<sup>th</sup> for submittal. The goal of the pledges is to reach \$1,000,000 to show the Salvation Army that this center would be viable and sustainable in this community. Councilman Wolfinger asked when we would find out if we receive the grant. Mr. Tymesen responded that the Kroc Foundation has not confirmed a date, but a response is anticipated within 90 days following the deadline for submittal. Dick Wandrocke mentioned that all pledges are tax deductible. Mayor Bloem expressed her appreciation for the efforts of all those working

on this grant process.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**: Motion by Reid, seconded by Edinger to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

- 1. Approval of minutes for February 1, 2005.
- The Public Works Committee and General Services Committee are scheduled for Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 4:00 p.m.
- RESOLUTION NO. 05-012 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE/WARRANTY OF SUBDIVISION WORK, WITH MICHELLE M. DIAL, WHOSE ADDRESS IS 887 S. FAIRMONT LOOP, COEUR D' ALENE, IDAHO 83814.
- 4. Declaring certain computer hardware surplus and authorizing disposition of same.
- 5. Approval of new 12" water main on Ironwood Drive between NW Blvd. and KMC.
- 6. Approval of request for water service outside city limits.
- 7. Approval of bills as submitted and on file in the City Clerk's Office
- 8. Setting of Public Hearings: ZC-8-04, O-1-05, A-1-05, ZC-3-03 for April 5, 2005.

ROLL CALL: Wolfinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye. Motion carried.

**CONNECT IDAHO**: Council President Reid noted that the State Transportation Dept. is asking the City to write a letter of support for the Garvee Bond project which would dedicate funds for the improvements for U.S. 95. All of the projects are estimated to cost \$6.5 billion. The first project is from Garwood and Sagle and it is hoped that it would be the first Garvee bond sale in 2007. The amount of bonding repayment would be less than 25% of the dollars spent on highway construction by the Idaho State Transportation Department in a year's time. Motion by Reid, seconded by Goodlander to endorse the concept of the Garvee bond process. Motion carried.

**RECREATION**: Councilman Hassell announced that Youth soccer boys and girls registration, 5-14 years of age, is now available.

**APPOINTMENT – DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE:** Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Wolfinger to appoint Tom Messina to the Design Review Committee representing the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

**BIRTHDAY WISHES**: Ruth Birch 100<sup>th</sup> birthday – Mayor Bloem had the privilege of participating with part of her celebration and wished her a happy birthday.

**EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORT**: On behalf of the Executive Team, Troy Tymesen, announced the following: We are currently accepting applications for a Recreation Department Ball Field Maintenance Worker and a Parks Department Tree Care Educator position. The Street Maintenance Department's goal is to keep the city free of damaging potholes. We would encourage citizens to call in any potholes encountered to 769-2233. Street Maintenance Department employee Terry Leigh has accepted the position of Field

Supervisor for stormwater maintenance operations as funded by the newly-created Stormwater Utility. The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the Government Way reconstruction project is scheduled to begin at the north end of Government Way, Clayton Avenue to Seale Avenue, on March 1<sup>st</sup>. It is anticipated that this work will take approximately 1 month. Then, the crew moves to the south end of the project (Neider to the I-90 bridge) to complete all underground utilities. The project should be substantially complete by August 1, 2005. City of Coeur d'Alene monthly wastewater user fees will increase March 1, 2005. Single-family residential rates will increase from \$22.00 to \$22.84 per month. For a complete rate schedule, please visit the city's website at www.cdaid.org. or call 769-2227 for more information. Nominations are now being accepted for the 2005 Mayor's Award for Excellence in Childcare. Any licensed childcare provider within the city limits of Coeur d'Alene may be nominated. For more information contact Kathy Lewis, Deputy City Clerk, at 769-2229. A magnetic sticker designed along the lines of the Cd'A Police Department shoulder patch, with "In the Line of Duty" curving over the top and Officer Kralicek's name around the bottom, are being sold for \$10.00 each, with all proceeds going to the Kralicek fund. Supporters can buy the sticker at the Police Department W front desk, 3818 Schreiber Way, or by calling Lt. Randy Miller at 769-2320. Youth swimming registration is coming up on February 26<sup>th</sup>, at the McGrane Swimming Center, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The entry deadline for 2005 Men's Spring Basketball is February 21, 2005. Please pick up an application at the Recreation Department. Registration for our Youth Volleyball program begins today and runs through February 29<sup>th</sup>, with the first session beginning March 10th. Registration for the Youth Gymnastic/Tumbling Program begins today and runs through February 18<sup>th</sup>, with the first session beginning February 19<sup>th</sup>. Boards, commissions, and committees have openings for the Lake City Development Corporation Board, the Urban Forestry Commission, the Arts Commission, the Jewett House, and the Planning & Zoning Commission. Please call 769-2204 for an application and more information.

**BRIGHTEST STAR AWARD**: Mayor Bloem congratulated Bob Paulus for being the recipient, as the grand prize winner, of the State's Brightest Star Award. He turned his \$5,000 award over the Christmas for All Fund.

**REMOVAL OF TREE – FOREST CEMETERY- SECTION G:** Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by Hassell to authorize the Urban Forester to remove a dying tree in Forest Cemetery in Section G. Motion carried.

## **REQUEST FOR USE OF CITY STREETS – COEUR D'ALENE PEDICAB:** Motion by Reid, seconded by Edinger to approve the use of City streets by the Coeur

d'Alene Pedicab. Motion carried.

**PLANNING COMMISSION REORGANIZATION:** Motion by Reid, seconded by Edinger to approve the separation of responsibilities of the Planning Commission. Councilman Hassell expressed his concern of not having the diversity of the community working on the commission when conducting the public hearings of the Planning Commission. City Planner Dave Yadon responded that the Commission had discussed this issue with some of the members having the same concern as Councilman Hassell but felt it was worth a try for a year. He noted that this split will only occur with quasi-

judicial hearings. If, at the end of the year, the Commission feels it is working, then staff will need to prepare an amendment the City code. Councilman Wolfinger also noted any decision made by the Planning Commission can be appealed to the Council. Motion carried with Hassell voting no.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 05-013**

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING A LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH KOOTENAI COUNTY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE FUNDING OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.

Motion by Reid, seconded by Wolfinger to adopt Resolution 05-013.

ROLL CALL: Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye. Motion carried.

Councilman Edinger expressed his appreciation to the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council for their participation in this project.

#### **RESOLUTION 05-015**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LAKE CITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE AND SALE FACILITATION OF THE AJW PROPERTY.

Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by Reid to adopt Resolution 05-015.

ROLL CALL: Wolfinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye; McEvers, Aye. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC HEARING – AMENDING CERTAIN FEES FOR POLICE, RECREATION AND WATER DEPARTMENTS:** Mayor Bloem read the rules of order for this public hearing. Troy Tymesen, Finance Director, gave the staff report.

Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by Edinger to remove the Water Hook-Up fees from tonight's public hearing and set a new public hearing for March 1<sup>st</sup> for the Water Department Hook-Up fee increases and direct staff to publish the necessary public hearing notice. Motion carried

Mr. Tymesen reported that the Police Department is asking the Council to consider amending the fingerprinting fees from \$5.00 for the first card and \$1.50 for each additional card to \$5.00 per card. The Recreation Department would like to initiate a late registration fee for youth sports of \$5.00 and \$21.00 late registration fee in an additional shirt must be purchased. Councilman Wolfinger commented that he believe that we can only charge our actual cost. Mr. Tymesen responded that it is still below our actual cost. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Bloem called for public comments with none being received.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 05-014**

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO INCREASING AND CREATING FEES IN THE RECREATION AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS.

Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by McEvers to adopt Resolution 05-014.

ROLL CALL: Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye; Reid, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Edinger, Aye. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**: Motion by Reid, seconded by Wolfinger to enter into Executive Session as provided by Idaho Code 67-2345 Subsection B: To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent; Subsection C: To conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property not owned by a public agency; and, Subsection F: To consider and advise its legal representatives in pending litigation or where there is a general public awareness of probable litigation.

ROLL CALL: Wolfinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye. Motion carried.

The session began at 6:50 p.m. Members present were the Mayor, City Council, Finance Director, Human Resources Director and City Attorney.

Matters discussed were those of personnel matters, labor negotiations and pending litigation.

No action was taken and the Council returned to regular session at 7: 40p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by Woody, to continue this meeting to February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 p.m. (following the Council Subcommittee meetings) in the Council Chambers and then to February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

Susan K. Weathers, City Clerk