

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO,
HELD AT COEUR D'ALENE CITY HALL,
JANUARY 21, 2003**

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, January 21, 2003 at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

Woody McEvers)	Members of Council Present
Loren Edinger)	
Dixie Reid)	
Deanna Goodlander)	
Ben Wolfinger)	
Chris Copstead)	

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

INVOCATION was led by Pastor Joe Donaldson of Bethel Baptist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilman Goodlander led the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATION – WATER DEPARTMENT: Water Superintendent, Jim Markley, introduced the employees who work in the Water Department. He provided a brief review of the department's activities, including a history of the City's water system, the number of meters read each month, the number of wells maintained and the number of inspections completed on new construction. Last year they placed a new floor on the Tubbs Hill Water Tank, constructed the Industrial Park Standpipe, retired 4,800 feet of old, undersized galvanized iron water main. 20,000 feet of new water main was added to the system. Future concerns include adequate source of water supply, storage of the water needed to serve the City, replacement of existing old water lines, the long term need for the placement of a new water tank in the northwest area of town and increased contaminant- testing standards prescribed by the EPA. The Council thanked the Department employees for the great job they do in making Coeur d'Alene a City of excellence.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

PARADE PERMIT PROCESS: Merlin Berger, 2468 W. Poleline Rd., Post Falls, speaking on behalf of the Coeur d'Alene Downtown Association, expressed the Downtown Association's appreciation for the teamwork of the different City departments who make parades run seamlessly. He expressed particular appreciation for the Police Department's attitude of being "ambassadors" for the City during these events.

CC & R ENFORCEMENT: Allen Richardson, 2315 Monte Vista Dr., requested Council consider enforcing CC & R's for subdivisions and asked that the City consider CC & R's when issuing building permits. He submitted a petition from the Monte Vista 3rd Addition

Homeowners Association requesting that no construction be allowed that exceeds the CC & R's of that Subdivision.

BEER/WINE LICENSE: Mans Montgomery, requested to know why the Council may pull the approval of his beer/wine license. Mike Gridley reported that he is still continuing research of his application.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion by Reid, seconded by Wolfinger, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented including the removal of the beer/wine/liquor license for Torch Lounge item from the calendar.

1. Approval of minutes for January 7, 2003.
2. The General Services Committee and Public Works Committee meetings are scheduled for January 27, 2003 at 4:00 p.m.
3. RESOLUTION 03-020 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING THE BELOW MENTIONED CONTRACTS AND OTHER ACTIONS OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE INCLUDING AN APPROVAL OF A LICENSE AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH SPRINGBROOK SOFTWARE, INC., FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND CUSTOMER INFORMATION SERVICE SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE, AND APPROVAL OF A FINAL PLAT AND SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT WITH ROY MARTIN, FOR LUNDBECK ADDITION.
4. RESOLUTION 03-021 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION III OF THE "CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY", ENTITLED "DESIGNATED CUSTODIANS", TO SET FORTH THE CURRENT ACTUAL DESIGNATED CUSTODIANS.
5. Approval of use of barbed wire fencing for Best Hill Meadows Owners, Inc.
6. Setting of Public Hearings: O-13-02 - repealing of Parkland Dedication regulations for March 4, 2003; O-12-02 - Bikeway Plan for March 4, 2003; ZC-10-02 - Zone Change at 400 NW Blvd. for Feb. 18, 2003; O-8-02 - Amending Parking Ordinance for Feb. 18, 2003.
7. S-5-02 - Approval of Final Plat for Silver Park 1st Addition.
8. Approval of bills as submitted and on file in the City Clerk's Office.

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

RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS: Councilman Copstead announced that the next session of Youth Karate will begin Jan. 28th. Basketball program for 1st and 2nd grade boys and girls is currently open for registration. 32 teams for 4th and 5th grade basketball teams have been registered to date. Youth Swimming Class registration will begin February 10th. Men's Spring Basketball team registration is Feb. 21st. Spring Youth Soccer registration for 5-13 year-olds will begin March 3rd. The annual Coeur d'Alene Recreation Services pamphlet can be picked up at the Recreation Department at City Hall.

STREET DEPT. THANKED: Councilman Edinger read a letter from Jon Ingalls to Dick Fields and Terry Leigh who referred to a letter he received from Mr. And Mrs. Heinz and Mr. And Mrs. Covey for their service in the placement of a manhole cover.

SISTER CITY READING CONTEST: Councilman Goodlander announced that the Library is beginning the annual Sister City reading contest, noting that the City of Coeur d'Alene has won the trophy for the past two years.

ARTWORK IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS: Councilman Wolfinger noted the new artwork in the Council Chambers is on loan from Flaherty's Framing.

WORKSHOP FOR HILLSIDE REGULATIONS: Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Wolfinger to set a workshop for January 28, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. to review the proposed Hillside regulations. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORT: Executive Team Representative, Jim Markley, announced that winter has returned and requested drivers to remember to slow down and allow extra time and be alert to yield to snow plow trucks.

FIRESMART DEMONSTRATION: Motion by Copstead, seconded by Goodlander to authorize staff to proceed with the Firesmart demonstration on a portion of Tubbs Hill east of the 10th Street trailhead or a better site as identified by staff. Councilman Edinger noted that the Tubbs Hill Foundation opposes the demonstration being on Tubbs Hill. Robert Eagan, Chairman of the Tubbs Hill Foundation, believes that this is a lose-lose proposition for Tubbs Hill and believes that there are too many questions that need to be answered before this test should be undertaken. Bill Greenwood, Parks Dept. Deputy Director, noted that an alternate site has been located on Pine Avenue. Art Manley, 610 Sunrise Dr., opposes the idea of the Firesmart program on Tubbs Hill and wants to leave it in its most natural state. Nils Rosdahl, member of the Tubbs Hill Foundation, requested that if the test strip were to be done, that it should happen where the fire-break line would be located. Doug Eastwood, noted that City staff will be present at the test site throughout the demonstration process. John Schwandt, 1440 Margaret Ave., member of the Urban Forestry Committee, noted that the approved City management plan for Tubbs Hill includes the implementation of fuel breaks along the Hill and feels that the Firesmart demonstration will provide the City an opportunity to test the process before committing to this program. Motion carried with Reid voting no.

RESOLUTION 03-022

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE OF KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO ACCEPTING THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 146 OF THE CITY; SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING ON SAID ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND MAILING NOTICE OF HEARING; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO.

Motion by Reid, seconded by Wolfinger to adopt Resolution 03-022.

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING A SHARED GRANT WRITER INITIATIVE/MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT, WITH THE LAKE CITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC., AND THE PANHANDLE AREA COUNCIL.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by McEvers to adopt Resolution 03-023.

ROLL CALL: Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Copstead, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye; Reid, 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 A: To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent; 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: Reid, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye; Copstead, Aye; McEvers, Aye. Motion carried.

The session began at 8:04 p.m. Members present were the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator and City Attorney.

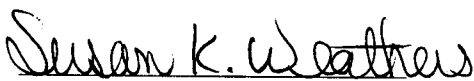
Matters discussed were those of property acquisition, personnel matters, and labor negotiations and pending litigation. No action was taken and the Council returned to regular session at 10:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Edinger, seconded by Copstead to recess this meeting to January 28, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. for a Council workshop. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 10:30 p.m.


Sandi Bloem, Mayor

ATTEST:


Susan K. Weathers, City Clerk