

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO,
HELD AT COEUR D'ALENE CITY HALL,
MARCH 18, 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, March 18, 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)	
Ben Wolfinger)	
Chris Copstead)	
Deanna Goodlander)	

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

INVOCATION was led by Pastor Joe Donaldson, Bethel Baptist Church. A moment of silence was taken in memory of Jeff Jones, the prior City Attorney, who died March 16, 2003 at the age of 53.

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

REMEMBERING JEFF JONES: Mayor Bloem commented that Jeff Jones, our previous City Attorney, was a member of our City family for fifteen years. He was the ideal of what the City of Excellence stands for and he will be missed both here and in the City of Sandpoint.

PROCLAMATION – HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK: Councilman Goodlander read the proclamation on behalf of Mayor Bloem marking March 23rd through March 29th as Human Rights week in the City of Coeur d'Alene. Mary Lou Reed and Denny Davis accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Human Rights Education Foundation. Mr. Davis announced that North Idaho College would be providing popcorn forums throughout the week relating to human rights.

PROCLAMATION – MARTY MEYER DAY: Councilman Wolfinger read the proclamation on behalf of Mayor Bloem, announcing that March 19, 2003 will be Marty Meyer Day in the City of Coeur d'Alene commemorating his receiving the National Education Support Staff of the Year award.

PRESENTATION: Tony Berns, Executive Director of the Lake City Development Corporation, presented an overview of the past year's activities of LCDC. He noted that this past year the LCDC formulated a strategic plan, entered into a participation agreement with McEuen Terrace, acquired property both in the downtown area as well as midtown area, worked closely with the City, North Idaho College and University of Idaho and John Stone Development for the Higher Education Corridor, and entered into a joint partnership with the

City and Human Rights Foundation for the hiring of a grant writer. He reported that the 2003 LCDC priorities are LCDC Strategic Plan implementation; Higher Education Corridor Initiative; McEuen Field Conceptual Plan and LCDC life extension. He reviewed the funding sources for LCDC as well as the 2002 balance sheet and income statement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Bloem asked for public comments with none being received.

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

1. Approval of minutes for March 4, 2003 with a correction on page 5, Ordinance No. 3091, the motion to pass the first reading was made by Councilman Goodlander, not Council President Reid.
2. The General Services Committee and Public Works Committee meetings are scheduled for March 24, 2003 at 4:00 p.m.
3. **RESOLUTION 03-030: 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 APPROVAL OF A DEVELOPMENT AND DEVELOPER REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH DARREL AND BOB'S CYCLE SALES, INC., DBA COEUR D'ALENE HONDA FOR INSTALLATION, CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A SEWER LINE EXTENSION; AND ADOPTION OF A RESTAURANT AND FOOD SERVICE POLICY FOR OIL AND GREASE PRETREATMENT REQUIREMENTS.**
4. Setting of public hearing for appeal of a childcare license denial for April 1, 2003; Fee increase for Parade/Street Closure Permits for April 15, 2003; O-11-03 Amendment to fencing regulations for April 15, 2003; A-2-03 – Annexation/zoning for April 15, 2003; A-3-03 – Annexation/zoning for April 15, 2003.
5. Approval of bills as submitted and on file in the City Clerk's office.
6. Approval of beer/wine license transfer for Fairway Gas & Grocery at 1735 W. Kathleen
7. Approval of beer/wine/liquor license for the Torch Lounge at 216 Coeur d'Alene Ave.
8. **RESOLUTION 03-034 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF POST FALLS, CITY OF HAYDEN, CITY OF RATHDRUM, LAKES HIGHWAY DISTRICT, EAST SIDE HIGHWAY DISTRICT, WORLEY HIGHWAY DISTRICT, POST FALLS HIGHWAY DISTRICT, IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT AND KOOTENAI COUNTY.**

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

PUBLIC HEARING – INCREASE IN RESIDENTIAL PLAN REVIEW FEES: Mayor Bloem read the rules of order for this public hearing. Gordon Dobler, Growth Services Director, gave the staff report.

Mr. Dobler reported that adoption of this resolution would maintain the City's current fee structure and would provide additional fees in an attempt to defray the costs of operating the department and cover some of the costs due to the increased Energy Code review time. He noted that most jurisdictions are proposing to increase their plan review fees to 25% of the building permit fee while the City is proposing a 10% increase.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Pat Raffe, 1115 N. Townsend Loop, Post Falls, representing the North Idaho Building Contractors Association, spoke in support of the proposed rate increases. Alann Krivor, 2916 Fernan Hill Road, Cd'A, spoke in support of the rate increases but cautioned the Council on future increases in order to stay competitive with area communities.

RESOLUTION 03-031

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO SETTING FEES FOR BUILDING PERMITS, COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL PLAN REVIEWS, AND ADOPTING A SCHEDULE OF BUILDING VALUATION DATA.

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Wolfinger to adopt Resolution 03-031.

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

HOMELAND SECURITY: Councilman Wolfinger announced that since we are on the brink of war and security is almost at the highest level, the citizens could be assured that city's safety personnel have been prepared and trained for a catastrophic event. He noted that all public employees are prepared to protect the citizens and can address any issues that may arise. Also, he noted that our thoughts and prayers are with our military.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES: Councilman Copstead reported that Recreation Department had the Sheriff's crew remove 12,000 pounds of debris at the Jewett House as well as the Streets and Parks Departments helping with the removal of the old chain link fence. The backstop at Persons Field has been replaced through a donation by NIC. The Recreation Department has just finished up with the youth basketball season with over 1,000 participants. Alicia Krisebom has been selected by the United Way as Volunteer of the Year for her work with the Special Needs Program. He also reminded residents that Papa Murphy's in Post Falls will be conducting a fund raiser by donating 20% of all profits during March 21st to the Special Needs program. Registration is currently being accepted for youth swim lessons at McGrane Center. Gymnastics registration began today at Lakes Middle School.

28 YEAR EMPLOYEES: Councilman Edinger announced that Jim Wuest recently celebrated his 28th year with the City's Street Maintenance Department..

APPOINTMENT – LIBRARY BOARD: Motion by Edinger, seconded by Copstead to confirm the appointment of Ann Smart to the Library Board. Motion carried.

AD HOC PARKING COMMISSION: Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Edinger to authorize the mayor to appoint a nine-member Ad Hoc Parking Commission comprised of one member of the Downtown Master Places Implementation Committee; one member of the City Council, 2 property/business owners within the Central Business District.; one LCDC member; one community-at-large member; one Downtown employee; one NIC representative; and, one Fort Ground neighborhood resident. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORT: City Administrator, Wendy Hague, announced that signal improvements have been done at 15th and Best as well as Government Way and Kathleen. Roundabout improvements have been completed at the 4th and Kathleen intersection. Parking has been secured around the Federal Building at Lakeside and 4th in response to the threat level rising to "High".

ANNEXATION OF WATER DISTRICTS: Motion by Reid, seconded by Edinger to amend the City's unwritten practice regarding annexation of water districts to reflect that the City may consider water service within the City provided by publicly owned water systems. Motion carried.

Motion by Reid, seconded by Edinger to authorize staff to work with the Hayden Lake Irrigation District to produce a Memorandum of Understanding to allow the Prairie Falls property to be annexed into the City of Coeur d'Alene and serviced by the Hayden Lake Irrigation District with the Memorandum of Understanding being adopted before final plat approval. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 03-032

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO ADOPTING A COLOR PALETTE PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 3091.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Wolfinger to adopt Resolution 03-032 with the addition of 63, 64, 65, 66, the bottom three colors of each card.

ROLL CALL: Reid, No; Wolfinger, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Copstead, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Edinger, Aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 03-033

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO ACCEPTING THE BID OF HOLT DRILLING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CLAYTON AVENUE PRODUCTION WELL.

Motion by Edinger, seconded by McEvers to adopt Resolution 03-033

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

ORDINANCE NO. 3103

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 17.30.010 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, TO ADOPT THE 2003 COEUR D'ALENE BIKEWAYS PLAN; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Motion by Reid, seconded by Copstead to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 3103.

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

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Wolfinger to suspend the rules and to adopt Ordinance No. 3103 by its having had one reading by title only.

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

The session began at 7:13 p.m. Members present were the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator, City Attorney, Finance Director and Human Resource Director.


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 9:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Edinger, seconded by Wolfinger that this meeting be recess to March 25, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting recess at 9:30 p.m.


Sandi Bloem, Mayor

ATTEST:


Susan K. Weathers, City Clerk