



CITY OF HAUSER
11837 N. Hauser Lake Road, Hauser, Idaho 83854

HAUSER CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
(ZOOM Meeting & Public Attendance)

REGULAR MEETING – October 8, 2024

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Ray at 6:35 p.m. and welcomed all.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Council member Hoerner.
3. **ROLL CALL** – *Council*: Hoerner, present; Pomykala, present; Finley, present; Taylor, absent.
Staff: Mihara, present; Wheeler, Zoom; Espe, absent; D. Ray, present; Fondahn-Baker, present.
4. **AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA, DECLARATION OF CONFLICT, EX-PARTE CONTACTS**: None.

5. **MINUTES**

ACTION ITEM:

. *Minutes of September 10, 2024, 6:30p.m.*: Council member Hoerner reviewed and moved to approve the September 10, 2024 Minutes. Council member Finley seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll call: Hoerner, aye; Pomykala, aye; Finley, aye. Motion carried.

6. **MAYOR, Bill Ray**

ACTION ITEM:

. *Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) – 2024 Adoption and Acceptance Update*: Mayor Ray conferred with the fire chief saying that all cities are adopting it. This operational plan lays out roles and entities to where the fire district has city versions and Kootenai County can help with the adoption in reference to disasters. Council member Pomykala moved to adopt the 2024 EOP for the City of Hauser. Council member Hoerner seconded the motion. Roll call: Hoerner, aye; Pomykala, aye; Finley, aye. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM:

. *Copier*: Rick McAninch, City of Hauser's IT tech, reached out to other City Halls asking about their refurbished copiers. Mayor Ray expressed that we should spend the extra money on a new copier that will last five to six years vs. a refurbished one that may break down in two to three years. Treasurer Wheeler acknowledged we have enough in the budget to buy a new copier. Council member Hoerner moved to purchase the new Canon DX 4900 Series copier and remove the old ones from 2006. Council member Finley seconded the motion. Roll call: Hoerner, aye; Pomykala, aye; Finley, aye. Motion carried.

7. **REPORTS**

- . *Cindy Espe, Code Enforcement*: Absent.

8. **TREASURER, Lee Wheeler**

ACTION ITEM:

. *Treasurer Report – October 2024*: Wheeler said he finished off the year with a net profit of \$29,000; Anderson Summit will be offset at \$0.00 and will be revised from September-end; and there is \$1,200 in the new accounts. Council member Hoerner moved to approve the October 2024 Treasurer packet. Pomykala seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll call: Hoerner, aye; Pomykala, aye; Finley, aye. Motion carried.

9. **COUNCIL MEMBERS & STAFF**

- . **Jeff Hoerner, Public Works:** The Hwy 53 road project is underway with a two-year timeframe. He has heard there will be an overpass and no roundabout.
- . **Alice Pomykala, Land & Buildings:** Noticed there is a small leak between the breezeway into the garage that needs repaired. She will start getting bids.

. **Daniel Findley, Special Projects:**

ACTION ITEM:

. **Comp Plan Steering Committee Discussion:** Needs staff with expertise in guiding, directing, and scope of work progress. He recommends Cindy Espe, P&Z/Code Enforcement, be involved in discussions and possibly form a group to analyze how the community works on growth, housing, etc. The committee is city-guided and different from land and planning and zoning issues. SCJ Alliance was hired last month to organize City of Hauser's comp plan, but the council has final adoption. Council tabled this conversation for next month.

. **Sean Taylor, Council President:** Absent.

. **Donna Ray, City Clerk:** No report.

. **Laurie Fondahn-Baker, Deputy City Clerk:** No report.

10. **CITY ATTORNEY, Kinzo Mihara**

. **General Legal:** There are several matters in litigation; subpoenas have been released; there is one active civil case and one potential civil case; and there are no criminal actions.

ACTION ITEM:

. **Executive Session – Discussion of Litigation Options Under Idaho Code 74-206(f):** To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options or pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

Council member Finley moved to go into executive session citing above Idaho Code 74-206(f) at 7:15 p.m. Roll call: Hoerner, aye; Pomykala, aye; Finley, aye. Motion carried.

Council member Hoerner moved to close the executive session at 8:34 p.m. Roll call: Hoerner, aye; Pomykala, aye; Finley, aye. Motion carried and returned to regular session.


11. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** This is an opportunity to address concerns NOT on the agenda (no formal action allowed.) There is a three-minute time limit. Comments regarding performance by City employees are inappropriate at this time and should be directed to the Mayor.

11. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

12. **ADJOURNMENT:** 8:37 p.m.



Laurie Fondahn-Baker, Deputy Clerk



Bill Ray, Mayor