

MINUTES-CITY OF ASHTON

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, February 11, 2008

3:30 p.m.

714 Main

*The purpose of the Agenda is to assist the Council and interested citizens in the conduct of the public meeting. Careful review of the Agenda is encouraged. Testimony from the public will be solicited for any item or issue listed under the category of **Public Hearings**. Any individual who wishes to address the Council on any other subject should plan to speak when **Item 3- Public Comments** is identified by the Mayor. The Mayor will not normally allow audience participation at any other time. Idaho Law prohibits council action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance.*

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

PRAYER OFFERED BY: Richard Huntsman

Mayor Stronks welcomed everyone to the meeting at 3:38 PM. He then called the meeting to order and asked Councilman Huntsman to offer the prayer.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Teddy Stronks, Councilwoman Linda Janssen, Richard Huntsman and Councilman Matt Brady.

ALSO PRESENT: City Clerk Cathy Stegelmeier, City Attorney Joette Lookabaugh and Chad Neilson.

Mayor Stronks asked the council if they thought an executive session was needed.

Councilwoman Janssen made a motion to dispense with the executive session. Councilman Brady seconded the motion. The motion passed.

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

I.C. 67-2345 Certain City-related matters may need to be discussed confidentially as a matter of law (Acquisition of real property, personnel matters, attorney-client communications) subject to applicable legal requirements, the Council may enter executive session by roll call vote to discuss such matters.

- A. (c) Acquisition of real property (f) Consider & Advise Legal Representatives

2. WORK SESSION:

- A. Lease Negotiations- Mayor Stronks asked City Clerk Cathy Stegelmeier to explain to Mr. Chad Neilson what had been discussed. Cathy asked that City Attorney Joette Lookabaugh be the one to explain it as she had already discussed it with Mr. Neilson's son and attorney, Ren. Joette explained to Chad that it had been decided that the city could use 10 more acres around the lagoons, making it possible for the Neilson's to own property bordering on the south by the road to the lagoons. Joette asked Mr. Neilson if that sounded like a good solution to him. Chad said that it was OK with him, that he thinks the solution is great. Councilman Brady expressed that he feels like it would be an equitable solution for the city.

Councilwoman Janssen made a motion to have the surveyor write the legal description as per this agreement. Councilman Brady seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Stronks then spoke to the council about his meeting with the County on the emergency management of the snow disaster. It was decided by the officials at the meeting that a 90-day disaster declaration would be the best so that it would take the county and cities through the snow and possible flood season. The council thought that this was a good idea in light of the situation.

Councilwoman Janssen made a motion that the City of Ashton proclaim a 90-day Disaster Declaration. Councilman Brady seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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3. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Brady made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Janssen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 13, 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers.

Questions concerning items appearing on this Agenda or requests for accommodation of special needs to participate in the meeting should be addressed to the Office of the City Clerk or call 208-652-3987.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cathy Stegelmeier, City Clerk.

Attest:

Cathy Stegelmeier
City Clerk

Theo R. Stronks
Mayor