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The City Council of the City of Idaho Falls met in recessed regular meeting, Thursday, January 9, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Idaho Falls, Idaho. There were present at said meeting, Mayor S. Eddie Pedersen, Councilmen Jim Freeman, Mel Erickson, Ralph Wood, Gil Karst, Paul Hovey, and Norris Gesas. Also present: Roy C. Barnes, City Clerk; Arthur Smith, City Attorney; Lorna Coughlin, City Treasurer; John Evans, City Controller; Rod Gilchrist, City Planner; Robert Pollock, Police Chief; Ernie Craner, Parks and Recreation Director; Steve Harrison, Electrical Engineer; Chad Stanger, General Services Director; Lee Mundell, Personnel Director.

Minutes of the last regular meeting, held December 19th, 1974, were read and approved.

This being the first Council Meeting of the year, the Mayor, preparatory to organizing the City Council for the year 1975, registered a few observations relative to the fiscal problems facing the Council. He said wrestling with the budget, this year, would not be an easy task in view of the fact that the unit cost was up substantially in every sector, be it salaries, services to the community, material or equipment. The Mayor continued by saying that this should be the year to "bite the bullet" and the key word in the preparation of the 1975 budget must be scheduling. He said every effort would be made to maintain efficiency of all operations without sacrificing the quality of life for the residents of this City but that some cut in personnel would probably be necessary, particularly in the realm of part time W.A.E. employment. He said that, inasmuch as salaries are paid from taxes, every effort must be made to maintain services to the public. He said that normal growth was still being encouraged but that there must not be any break downs nor failures of existing services or facilities.

The Mayor then proceeded to make his Council appointments to nine Council Committees as follows, the first named, in each instance, to serve in the capacity of Chairman:

AIRPORT	Hovey	Gesas
BUILDING & ZONING	Wood	Erickson
ELECTRIC	Wood	Gesas
FINANCE	Karst	Freeman
FIRE	Hovey	Wood
GENERAL SERVICES	Erickson	Hovey
PARKS & RECREATION	Freeman	Erickson
POLICE	Freeman	Karst
PUBLIC WORKS	Gesas	Karst

With reference to the Finance Committee, the Mayor noted that this included personnel, labor relations, housing and community development; the Fire Committee to include service and environmental control; the Parks and Recreation Committee to include cemeteries, zoo and the golf course; and finally, Public Works to include engineering, streets, water, sewer and sanitation.

At the invitation of the Mayor, Councilman Karst then presented a brief resume' of the 1974 budget operations, explaining that all quoted figures would be estimates, inasmuch as the books for 1974 were not yet closed. He said that revenue for 1974 would slightly exceed the budgeted expenditures total of \$10,998,000. The cash position at the end of the year would be lower, inasmuch as certain surpluses were exhausted or diminished but there would be sufficient cash to satisfy all year end accounts payable. Karst concurred with the remarks of the Mayor with reference to 1975. He said that all expenses would be up that revenues would not be up proportionally. He said that it was virtually a certainty that any increase in expenses must be met by increased tax levy. Other than that source, Karst noted there would probably be nominal increases in revenue from property taxes based upon increased valuations plus about \$678,000 in community development funds which would be

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restricted as to the manner in which they were allocated for expenditure. Karst said he anticipated no relief at this time from inflationary pressures. Karst concluded his remarks by commending Division Heads for living within their respective budgets during 1974.

The Mayor then asked for nominations for President of the Council. Councilman Jim Freeman was nominated by Councilman Karst. In the absence of additional nominations, it was moved by Councilman Gesas, seconded by Erickson, that nominations cease, that Councilman Freeman be elected as President of the City Council for 1975 by acclamation and that a unanimous ballot be cast accordingly. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried. Councilman Freeman abstaining.

This Ordinance was then introduced by Councilman Karst:

INTERIM APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 1399

AN INTERIM ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND SALARIES BY THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO DURING THE 1975 FISCAL YEAR PRIOR TO THE PASSAGE AND APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE; PROVIDING WHEN THE ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

The foregoing ordinance was presented in title. It was moved by Councilman Karst, seconded by Freeman, that the provisions of Section 50-902 of the Idaho Code requiring all ordinances to be fully and distinctly read on three several days be dispensed with. The question being, "SHALL THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 50-902 OF THE IDAHO CODE REQUIRING ALL ORDINANCES TO BE READ ON THREE SEVERAL DAYS BE DISPENSED WITH?" Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried. The majority of all the members of the Council present having voted in the affirmative, the Mayor declared the rule dispensed with and ordered the ordinance placed before the Council for final consideration, the question being, "SHALL THE ORDINANCE PASS?" Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Bills for the month of December 1974, having been properly audited by the Fiscal Committee, were presented. The City Clerk read aloud all fund totals for salaries, materials and services, as follows:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>SERVICE AND MATERIALS</u>	<u>GROSS PAYROLL</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>
General Fund	\$111,801.54	176,382.66	\$288,184.20
Street Fund	\$31,250.54	14,533.09	\$45,783.63
Airport Fund	\$8,422.55	5,393.32	\$13,815.87
Water & Sewer Fund	\$178,066.17	27,914.91	\$205,981.08
Electric Light Fund	\$243,334.76	51,643.94	\$294,978.70
Fire Fund	\$12,373.73	63,180.29	\$75,554.02
Recreation Fund	\$1,576.38	4,078.10	\$5,654.48
Capital Improve	\$41,823.14	.00	\$41,823.14
Police Retirement	\$51,578.36	.00	\$51,578.36
TOTAL FUNDS	\$680,227.17	343,126.31	\$1,023,353.48

Councilman Karst explained all major expenditures. It was moved by Councilman Karst, seconded by Freeman, that the bills be allowed and the Controller be authorized to issue warrants on the respective funds for their payment. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

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Reports from Division and Department Heads were presented for the month of December, 1974, and, there being no questions nor objections, were accepted by the Mayor and ordered placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

License applications for GROCERY STORE, Wine Craft, Wallace Dairy, Barberio Cheese House, 7-11 Store (1st Street & 9th Street), Wealth of Health, 7-11 Store (G. Street), Glenn's Cold Storage; RESTAURANT, Bonneville Coffee Shop, Husky Café; Barberio Cheese House, Smitty's Pancake House, Arthur Treacher's Fish & Chips, McDonalds, I.F. Hospital, Community Hospital, 19th Hole Café, Aunt Fanny's, A & W Drive Inn, 7-11 (G Street); CONFECTIONERY STORE, Karmel Korn Shop; JUNK DEALER, McCarty's; ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR, Hal Johnson Agency, James Electric, Electrical Enterprises, Electrical Contractors, Electrical Services, Inc, School District #91, Christensen Electric, Johnson Controls, Brown Electric, Century Electric, Bob's Electric; JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN, David Norris, Glayde Hill, Donald Scarlet, Clarence Shore, Wayne Harris, John Christensen, Almon Brown, Fred Ehlert, Keith Garriott, Grant Gallup, Boyd Emery, Steven Smith, Robert Oyler, LeRoy Hale, D. H. Fannesbeck, Jack Dalton, Norman Reno, David Paulk, G. C. Bird, T. Veja James; APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN, Steve Browning, Myron Davenport, C.L. Poitra, Michael McNamara, Wayne Munson, Brian Bird, Todd Bird, Phil Oakes; MASTER PLUMBER, Mathews Plumbing & Heating, Sargent Mechanical, Rigby Plumbing & Heating, American Plumbing & Heating, Atlas, Inc., J & R Plumbing, First Street Plumbing & Heating, Harold Bates Plumbing; JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER, Gene Mathews, Charles Mathews, Max Sargent, Vern Hutchins, John Siqueiros, Daniel Lewis, Harold Bates; APPRENTICE PLUMBER, Gene Heath, Larry Bates; CLASS C CONTRACTOR, GAS FITTING, Jamie McNett; CLASS A CONTRACTOR, WARM AIR, WET HEAT, GAS FITTING, REFRIGERATION, Kenneth Frazee, Wendell Sanderson; CLASS B JOURNEYMAN, WARM AIR, GAS, REFRIGERATION, Max Conan, Norman Conan; CLASS C CONTRACTOR, J & R Plumbing, Sargent Mechanical; CLASS D CONTRACTOR, REFRIGERATION, Falls Electric, REFCO, Koldaire; CLASS C JOURNEYMAN, GAS FITTING, WET HEAT, John Siqueiros, Daniel Lewis, Max Sargent; JOURNEYMAN, WARM AIR, GAS FITTING, Vern Hutchins, Lyle Charlesworth, Ramon Landon; CLASS C JOURNEYMAN, REFRIGERATION, WARM AIR, Claude Watson; CLASS D JOURNEYMAN, GAS FITTING, Gene Heath, Myron Beeson, Gene Mark, LeMar Eslinger, Douglas Sanderson, Cyril Bing Lempke; CLASS B CONTRACTOR, WARM AIR, GAS, REFRIGERATION, Conan & Landon, Max Sargent; CLASS D JOURNEYMAN, WARM AIR, James Walker; TAXI PERMITS, Norris Hendrickson; PHOTOGRAPHY, Howard Collet; THEATRE, Paramount Theatre; SECOND HAND STORE, Sprinkler's Bargain Mart, General Store, White & Wickham Dist.; PAWN BROKER, White & Wickham; AUCTIONEER, K.R. Caughlin; DANCE HALL, Stockman's Bar; MOTEL, Handy Cabins; DAIRY, Circle M. Delivery Service; TAXI CAB DRIVERS, Montford Adams, Harry Christensen, Clifford Pratt, Thomas Free, William David Saunders, Don Fouts, James Roland, Arthur Hammer, Roger Ausmus, Donald Stens; BARTENDER, Sheila Bowman, Sandra Hill, Sharon McCafferty, Sharon Frazier, Viola Strunk, Lon Severson, Barbara Hancock, Margaret Linkowski, Richard Taylor, John Howell, Kenneth McCormick, Randall Scott Sewart, Sherry Green, Verda Wood, Barbara Harman, Irene Atkinson, M.F. Hawkins, Enoch Schrum, Roger Axline, Lynn Wyatt, William Toelcpe; BEER, (Canned and bottled, not to be consumed on the premises), Texaco Station; BEER (Canned and bottled, to be consumed on the premises), 19th Hole Café; LIQUOR, Sagebrush, Hub Bar, Hal's Half Acre, Burnt Offering, Page One Restaurant & Lounge, Stockman's Bar, were presented. It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Wood, that these licenses be granted, subject to the approval of the appropriate Division Director, where required. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The City Clerk presented an application for an auctioneer's license in favor of the Midland Park Auction Gallery, 143 West 29th Street, New York, New York, carrying with it a recommendation from the Police Chief that said license not be granted. It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Wood, that this recommendation be upheld and the license be denied. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

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By memo, the General Services Director noted that, at a recent informal Council session, a bid was accepted in the amount of \$5,140. from Vermeer Sales and Service, Salt Lake City, Utah, for a used hydraulic operated tree transplant machine. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Freeman, that this action be duly ratified. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

A City redemption tax deed in favor of Clive R. Short was presented, accompanied by this resolution:

R E S O L U T I O N (Resolution No. 1975-01)

WHEREAS, the City of Idaho Falls, did, under and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 29, Title 50, Idaho Code, and by deed of the City Treasurer dated the 29th day of March, 1967, recorded as Instrument No. 371120, records of Bonneville County, Idaho acquire title to and possession of the following described real property, to-wit:

Lots 5 and 6, Block 10, Highland Park
Addition to the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho

WHEREAS, CLIVE R. SHORT has offered to pay to the City of Idaho Falls the amount for which said property was sold to the City, together with all the installments of assessments subsequent to the one for which said property was sold and then due, together with penalties and interest thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Mayor and the City Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed, upon the payment of said sum of money by said purchaser to make, execute and deliver to the said CLIVE SHORT a deed to said property, pursuant to the provisions of Section 50-2951, Idaho Code.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL this 9th day of January, 1975.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 9th day of January, 1975.

ATTEST: s/ Roy C. Barnes
City Clerk

s/ S. Eddie Pedersen
Mayor

It was moved by Councilman Karst, seconded by Freeman, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the resolution and the deed. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

This memo from the General Services Director was presented:

City of Idaho Falls
January 8, 1975

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Chad Stanger
SUBJECT: BID #IF-74-22

It is the recommendation of the General Services Division that the City Council accept the bid of Ellsworth Bros. Inc., for a 1975 Cab & Chassis (Sanitation

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Truck) Model D800 at \$10,463.00 as per Bid #IF-74-22. It is also the recommendation of the General Services Division that the City Council accept the proposal of Stoddard Mead Ford for a 1975 Cab & Chassis (Sanitation Truck) Model LN-800 at \$12,810.80 as per Bid #IF-74-22.

s/ Chad Stanger

It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Hovey, that these bids, as indicated, be accepted for the equipment as described. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Another memo from the General Services Director was forthcoming, as follows:

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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Chad Stanger
SUBJECT: SALE OF SANITATION TRUCKS

It is the recommendation of the General Services Division that the City Council accept the offer of Anthony Gee to purchase from the City of Idaho Falls Unit #772 1968 Dodge 2 ton truck with Pak-Mor 20 cubic yard packer body for \$2700.00 and Unit #777 1970 International 2 ton truck with Pak-Mor 24 cubic yard packer body at \$2100.00.

s/ Chad Stanger

It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Hovey, that these offers for the equipment as described be accepted. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Still another memo from the General Services Director was submitted, to-wit:

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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Chad Stanger
SUBJECT: BID #IF-74-23

It is the recommendation of the General Services Division that the City Council accept the bid of Atlas Equipment Company for a 1975 20 cubic yard leach sanicruiser refuse body without trade-in at \$9565.00 as per Bid #IF-74-23. It is also the recommendation of the General Services Division that the City Council accept the bid of Western Road Machinery Company for a 1975 28 Cubic Yard Pak-Mor Model H-28 Refuse Body without trade-in at \$14,062.18 as per Bid #IF-74-23.

s/ Chad Stanger

It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Hovey, that both bids as indicated in the foregoing memo be accepted for the equipment as described. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Finally, from the General Services Director, this memo was presented and read:

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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Chad Stanger
SUBJECT: BID #IF-74-24

It is the recommendation of the General Services Division that the City Council accept the bid of Consolidated Petro-Chem Corp. for 2000 gallons of motor oil (straight viscosity) at \$1.15 per gallon as per Bid IF-74-24. It is also the recommendation of the General Services Division that the City Council accept the bid of Ray Groth Oil for the remainder of motor fuels, lubricants, heating oil as proposed in Bid #IF-74-24.

s/ Chad Stanger

It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Hovey, that all bids for motor oil, motor fuels, lubricants and heating oil, as indicated in the foregoing memo be accepted as recommended. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

This memo from the Building Official was presented and studied.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Rod Gilchrist
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE OF MOBILE HOME

Attached is a copy of a petition from School District No. 91 requesting permission to place a mobile home at the Ethel Boyes Elementary School to be used as a library. This mobile home was originally placed at the A. H. Bush Elementary School by permission of the City Council for the same use. This mobile home was purchased by the School District for use as a portable classroom and/or library to be moved about the School District as school populations fluctuate.

This Department recommends that this request be granted.

s/ Rod Gilchrist

It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Erickson, that a variance be granted allowing temporary use of a mobile home at the Ethel Boyes Elementary School to be used for the reason as indicated, with the understanding that said mobile home be moved from the A. H. Bush Elementary School. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Recognizing from the agenda that annexation proceedings on John Heights Addition, Division Nos. 11 and 12 were anticipated this night, Councilman Wood presented final plats of that area for Council consideration. After some study, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Erickson, that these plats be accepted and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

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An annexation agreement of the foregoing area was then presented. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Erickson, that this agreement be accepted and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign. Roll call s follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1400

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS TO THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS; DESCRIBING SAID LANDS AND DECLARING SAME A PART OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO.

The foregoing ordinance was presented in title. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Erickson, that the provisions of Section 50-902 of the Idaho Code requiring all ordinances to be fully and distinctly read on three several days be dispensed with. The question being, "SHALL THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 50-902 OF THE IDAHO CODE REQUIRING ALL ORDINANCES TO BE READ ON THREE SEVERAL DAYS BE DISPENSED WITH?" Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried. The majority of all the members of the Council present having voted in the affirmative, the Mayor declared the rule dispensed with and ordered the ordinance placed before the Council for final consideration, the question being, "SHALL THE ORDINANCE PASS?" Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

With reference to these newly annexed lands, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Erickson, that the entire area be zoned R-1 except Lot 19, Block 15, and Lot 26, that these lots be zoned R-3A and that the Building Official be directed to incorporate said zoning on the official zoning map, located in his office. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

From the Traffic Safety Committee this memo was submitted:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Chairman – Traffic Safety Committee
SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR ONE WAY ALLEY

The following recommendation is submitted for your consideration.

One way traffic (NORTH) in the alley from Broadway to "A" Street between Capital and Memorial.

This was requested by the Off Street Parking Committee of the City Traffic Engineer and in turn discussed and recommended by the Traffic Safety Committee. Vehicles going south through the alley can make a right turn on Broadway without problem, however, some of them attempt a left turn creating a hazard crossing so many traffic lanes.

s/ Robert D. Pollock
Chairman

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It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Karst, that this recommendation for northbound one-way traffic in the alley as described be accepted for the reason as indicated. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The Mayor made the following appointments as members of the Housing and Community Development Committee: Ralph Hartwell, Chairman, W.D. Miller, Vice Chairman, Joe Akiyama, Marion Hammon, Judi Lussie, Dori Wakeman, Dewey Croft. It was moved by Councilman Karst, seconded by Freeman, that these appointments be confirmed. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The Mayor announced that Mr. Hal Johnson had submitted his resignation as a member of the Civil Service Board. It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Karst, that this resignation be regrettably accepted and that Mr. Johnson receive a letter of appreciation from the Mayor for services rendered in this important capacity. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The Mayor then appointed Mr. Jack Wood, Jr., as a replacement for Mr. Johnson as a member of the Civil Service Board. It was moved by Councilman Karst, seconded by Freeman, that this appointment be confirmed. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried. Councilman Wood abstaining.

The Mayor re-appointed Mr. Bill McFarlane and Mrs. Pauline Fisk as members of the Parks & Recreation Commission. It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Erickson, that these appointments be confirmed. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The Mayor noted that Mr. Gary Jensen, City Prosecuting Attorney, had recently been elected to the position of County Prosecuting Attorney. Asked for comment, City Attorney Smith advised that there was nothing in the law to prevent Mr. Jensen from acting in this dual capacity. Smith continued by saying that Jensen would be appointing one or more deputies who would be available when necessary to represent the City in the enforcement of City ordinances. Smith said this arrangement should work out to the advantage of both governmental agencies, inasmuch as there had been a need for better coordination between the City and the County in this regard, as well as other Cities within the County. Asked for comment, Police Chief Pollock concurred by saying this should prove a more workable arrangement, and that other near-by cities should be urged to participate. Smith explained, however, that Jensen had agreed to continue on as City Prosecuting Attorney on a temporary basis with the understanding that a new appointment could be made at a later date if this should prove unworkable. Therefore, the Mayor proceeded to re-appoint Mr. Gary Jensen to serve in the capacity of City Prosecuting Attorney. It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Karst, that this re-appointment be confirmed. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Mr. Cliff Brady, Board Chairman of the Eastern Idaho Special Services, appeared before the Council and presented this written statement:

The Mayor and Council
City of Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

Since you have chosen to take the position that the City of Idaho Falls has no obligation to take care for the special interests of its Senior Citizens; and since you have publicly called into question those who would take care for those interests, we would like to set the record straight.

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FIRST: Will you please cease referring to the Aging Program in Idaho Falls as a "Welfare" program? Congress passed the Older American Act in order to provide supportive services to persons age 60 and older. Age is the only criterion for participation in these programs. Age is considered handicap enough without adding the humiliation of a means test.

The aging program is no more "Welfare" than is the public school system. Public Schools serve a categorical group on a non-discriminatory basis. Aging Programs do the same. The only difference is that age has happened to make a disproportionate number of elderly persons poor. They weren't poor before - now they are.

SECOND: Saying the City of Idaho Falls has no obligation to provide services for Seniors does not make it so, necessarily. The City of Idaho Falls engages itself in a number of community services for the benefit of special interest groups, and aging programs, we submit, are not inherently different.

Facilities are provided for the Art Guild, the Salvation Army, the Golfers Association, Red Cross Swimmers, Little League Baseball and Football, and a long list of other activities considered to be in the public interest.

There should be no quarrel as to the value of City owned swimming pools, golf courses, airports, water systems, electric services, or garbage collection. Even though, in many communities, even in Idaho, some or all of these services are provided by private operators generating a profit for their investors. The City of Idaho Falls has proven itself efficient in the provision of these valuable services. The foresight of previous administrators in making these services a public effort is to be admired. A steadily increasing percentage of the total populations of Idaho Falls is in the age group 60 and over. To discriminate against these persons in the provision of services is both unfair and unrealistic. As taxpayers they deserve services. As a substantial portion of the population they have a right to demand service.

Since the Council wants to invest its revenue sharing funds in one time capital improvements; may we suggest construction of an adequate Senior Center? May we further suggest capitol investment in low cost housing, transportation equipment, and even City Hall alteration.

You realize that Council meetings on the second floor and in the evening makes them inaccessible to the aged and handicapped.

All the elderly ask is that their special interest be taken into consideration in the Council priorities. It is obvious little consideration has been given in the past, but it is a new year. Please look again. At least, if you still feel no obligation, actively encourage with kind words those who are trying to do something.

It would be much easier if you could see your way clear to appropriate funds for aging services, but at minimum, give endorsement to proposals submitted by others to governmental agencies willing to help.

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Finally, as we began, we are not in the "welfare" business. We resent that kind of equation of aging services since it must inhibit participation by proud and independent persons who need service. We urge reconsideration of your previous positions with regard to the Aging Programs. They are not a long term burden on taxpayers and more than any essential community service is a long term burden. This is not the place to draw a line against further community service to citizens.

The Senior Citizens have proven their willingness to support with cash the programs operated for their benefit. They have also shown their willingness to be taxed to support services in which they can no longer participate. Please do not demand that they pay the bill, but expect nothing in return.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Brady for this presentation.

Reference is made to page 27 in this book of minutes and, more specifically, an observation by Councilman Hovey to the effect that this City had been providing ambulance service to Jefferson County and the northern portion of Bingham County without benefit of written agreements. Hovey reported that contracts were now prepared and ready for execution. It was moved by Councilman Hovey, seconded by Karst, that these contract agreements be accepted and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign after which signatures be obtained from the responsible County officials of the affected Counties. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Erickson, that the meeting adjourn at 8:45 P.M., carried.

ATTEST: s/ Roy C. Barnes
City Clerk

s/ S. Eddie Pedersen
Mayor

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