

**JULY 12, 1973**

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The City Council of the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho, met in recessed regular meeting, Thursday, July 12, 1973, at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, City Building, Idaho Falls, Idaho. There were present at said meeting: Mayor S. Eddie Pedersen, Councilmen Gil Karst, Paul Hovey, Norris Gesas, Jim Freeman, Mel Erickson. Absent: Councilman Jack Wood. Also present: Roy C. Barnes, City Clerk; Arthur Smith, City Attorney; Pete Ahlstrom, City Librarian; Lorna Coughlin, City Treasurer; Robert Pollock, Police Chief; Les Corcoran, Fire Chief; Don Lloyd, Public Works Director; Steve Harrison, Electrical Engineer; Ernie Craner, Parks and Recreation Director.

Minutes of last recessed regular meeting, held June 28, 1973, were read and approved.

The Mayor asked Councilman Karst to escort Mr. Duane McCracken to the Council Table. As a recent retiree, due to reasons of health, the Mayor commended Mr. McCracken on his many years of dedicated service as a Heating and Cooling Inspector. The Mayor noted that, although this was the type of assignment that was occasionally subject to controversy, he had never had a complaint in his office as a result of Mr. McCracken's official activities while employed with the City. The Mayor wished him well during his years of retirement and presented him with an inscribed billfold. Mr. McCracken then received a congratulatory handshake from all City Officials around the Council Table.

The Mayor noted that there were two other City Employee Retirees that had been invited to the Council Meeting to receive an inscribed billfold; namely, Mr. Ted Bromley from the Street Department and Mr. Ray Naef from the Police Department. It was noted that Mr. Bromley had been a City Employee for 30 years and Mr. Naef, 25 years.

Noting that it had taken 21 minutes for the City Clerk to present and read aloud the minutes of the previous Council session, Mr. Bill Powell, KUPI Reporter, proposed that, in the interest of time, copies of future minutes of Council proceedings be made available to all present in the Council Chambers, including City Officials, and that they not be read. The Mayor, Councilmen Freeman, Karst and Erickson all registered opinions to the effect that reading the minutes should be continued and not be dispensed with. The general consensus of opinion was that the official minutes of the administrative government of this City should not be handled lightly and that this policy, if pursued, might suggest too much routine and too little concern about past happenings during Council meetings.

Mr. Powell then reminded the Mayor and City Council that the neon eagle on the face of the City Building was not fully lighted. The Mayor thanked Mr. Powell for these observations.

Noting Mr. Bob Oliver, Swimming Pool Committee Member, in the Council Chambers, Councilman Freeman announced that the Parks and Recreation Commission had endorsed the Swimming Pool complex as recently presented to the City Council and had directed the Swimming Pool Committee to submit cost figures and a firm location site for consideration by the Commission.

Bills for the month of June, 1973, were presented. The City Clerk was asked to read all fund totals for salaries, materials, and services as follows:

<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>SERVICES &amp; MATERIALS</u></b>	<b><u>GROSS PAYROLL</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u></b>
General Fund	\$176,524.72	\$156,984.57	\$333,509.29
Street Fund	6,673.11	13,507.38	20,180.49
Airport Fund	5,808.21	10,937.65	8,652.68
Water and Sewer Fund	31,777.18	16,808.21	48,585.39
Electric Light Fund	167,131.16	43,958.30	211,089.46
Fire Fund	6,795.03	55,261.25	62,056.28
Recreation Fund	3,030.10	9,685.45	12,715.55
Capital Improvement	7,814.10	.00	7,814.10

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Police Retirement Fund	.00	3,167.38	3,167.38
<b><u>TOTAL FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>\$405,525.12</u></b>	<b><u>\$304,530.47</u></b>	<b><u>\$710,055.59</u></b>

Councilman Karst explained all major expenditures. It was moved by Councilman Karst, seconded by Hovey, 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, 5; No, none; carried.

Reports from Division and Department Heads were presented for the month of June, 1973, and, there being no questions or objections, were accepted by the Mayor and ordered place on file in the office of the City Clerk.

License applications for SAFE AND SANE FIREWORKS, Andy Stavros for Midget Market; GROCERY STORE, Jim Hargard for Reed's Mini-Mart, transferred from Reed Huntsman (transfer only); CONCESSION, Dennis Lenz for 1 day only at A Street between Shoup and Park; SUNDAY MOTION PICTURES (transfer only), from N.G.C. Amusement Center to Marm Theatres of California for Paramount Theatre; APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN, Gary Wynn Hone with Northwest Electric, Bradley Olson, and Cary Ellis with LOC Electric; PHOTOGRAPHER, Curtis L. Griggs for Curt's Photo at 120 E. Anderson; BARTENDER, Michael Sullivan, Richard Brandt, Mary Pincock, Bessie Birch, Viola Hodson, Leo Bean, Michael Baker; TAXI CAB DRIVER, Larry Wallace, Ronald Hawk; BEER (transfer only), from Reed Huntsman to Jim E. Haggard for Mini-Mart, were presented. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Freeman, that these licenses be granted, subject to the approval of the appropriate Division Director where required. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

The City Clerk drew attention to the fact that, in the interests of time, a food booth license had been issued the Chamber of Commerce for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities. It was noted that this had been done with the approval of the Board of Health but without the approval of the Council. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Freeman, that this action be ratified. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

Another item requiring Council ratification was presented by the City Clerk; namely, an agreement of cooperative action whereby this City would, for a fee, be responsible for inspection services for the City of Ammon. It was noted that this agreement was informally approved by the Council on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1973. It was moved by Councilman Gesas, seconded by Karst, that this action be duly ratified. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

This memo from the Parks and Recreation Director was presented:

City of Idaho Falls  
July 12, 1973

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Ernest Craner, Director of Parks & Recreation  
SUBJECT: SPRINKLING SYSTEM AT DORA ERICKSON SCHOOL AND CLAIR E. GALE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Request authorization to advertise for bids for a sprinkling system at Clair E. Gale Jr. High and Dora Erickson Elementary Schools. These projects are under a B.O.R Grant and School District No. 91. No City money is involved. City is acting as an agent.

s/ Ernest Craner

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It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Erickson, that authorization be granted to advertise for bids for the sprinkling systems at the locations as indicated. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

From the Public Works Director, this memo was submitted:

City of Idaho Falls  
July 12, 1973

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Donald F. Lloyd  
SUBJECT: WEST BROADWAY STREET 12" WATERLINE

On July 3, 1973, two bids were received for the construction of the West Broadway Waterline.

Hartwell Excavating	\$29,710.00
R. V. Burggraf Company	\$32,879.00

Since the Engineer's Estimate was \$30,535.00 we are recommending that the contract be awarded to the low bidder in the amount of \$29,710.00.

s/ Don  
Donald F. Lloyd

It was moved by Councilman Gesas, seconded by Karst, that the low bid of Hartwell Excavating be accepted for the West Broadway Water Line. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

Another memo from the Public Works Director was presented, as follows:

City of Idaho Falls  
July 12, 1973

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Donald F. Lloyd  
SUBJECT: NOISE PARK AREA WEST OF CITY

The City has acquired a 400-acre site west of Idaho Falls from the B.L.M. and has designated the tract for a noise park.

Council Public Works Committee, during regular meetings with Bonneville County Commissioners, have discussed a joint fifty-fifty participation on the necessary boundary and topography surveys.

At the regular City-County Meeting this date, the Commissioners agreed to participate on a fifty-fifty basis to accomplish these surveys estimated to cost from \$4,400 to \$4,700. We request the Council authorization to join in this project.

s/ Don  
Donald F. Lloyd

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It was moved by Councilman Karst, seconded by Gesas, that this City participate fifty-fifty with the County, as indicated, in a boundary and topography survey for the 400 acre recreation site west of Idaho Falls. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

It was the general consensus of Council opinion that an appropriate name for this area be determined without delay before it inherits, because of its intended use, the name of Noise Park.

This memo from the Director of Aviation was presented and read:

City of Idaho Falls  
July 9, 1973

TO: Mayor and City Council/Jack Wood  
FROM: Director of Aviation  
SUBJECT: FALLS CAB COMPANY AIRPORT USE AGREEMENT

The previous agreement for space use at the Airport by this company has expired. Accordingly, a new lease is presented for your consideration, as updating of the prior agreement necessitated various minor amendments.

This non-exclusive use agreement relative to airport limousine and taxicab service space in the terminal building loading zone has been approved by the City Attorney's office. The Lessee has agreed to a 30% increase in rate, to \$45.00 per month.

The Airport Committee recommends the approval of the City Council, with authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to so execute.

s/ H. P. Hill

It was moved by Councilman Gesas, seconded by Erickson, that the Falls Cab Company Airport Use Agreement be extended for a two year period with certain minor revisions including a rate increase as indicated. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

Another memo from the Director of Aviation was submitted, as follows:

City of Idaho Falls  
July 9, 1973

TO: Mayor and City Council/Jack Wood  
FROM: Director of Aviation  
SUBJECT: TRANS MAGIC AIRLINES AIRPORT USE AGREEMENT

The attached extension of the expired subject use agreement allows Trans Magic Airlines to operate through here to May 1, 1974. This also updates the airport use fee - to be the same as Western and Hughes Air West Airlines.

The Airport Committee recommends the approval of the City Council, with authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to so execute.

The City Attorney's office has approved the extension.

s/ H. P. Hill

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It was moved by Councilman Gesas, seconded by Freeman, that the Trans Magic Airlines Airport Use Agreement be extended to May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1974, with the increased airport use fee as indicated. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

This letter was presented and read aloud:

Alcoholic Rehabilitation  
Association, Inc.  
163 E. Elva  
July 6, 1973

The Honorable S. Eddie Pedersen  
Mayor of Idaho Falls  
P.O. Box 220  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

City Council of Idaho Falls  
P.O. Box 220  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

RE: Alcoholic Rehabilitation Association, Inc.

Dear Mayor Pedersen and Gentlemen of the City Council:

So often we are willing to accept the services of the City without taking time to show our appreciation.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alcoholic Rehabilitation Association, Inc., comment was made as to how helpful the City has been in many areas, and particularly by offering the services of Mr. John Evans, the City Controller, in performing on our behalf the necessary functions so that our governmental grant is properly administered.

We are very aware of the time which this takes by Mr. Evans on our behalf, and which the City, in effect donates to us, and for the problems which inevitably arise in administering these grants.

We feel the service which we offer the City is worthwhile, but are fully aware of the fact that we could not continue at the same level of proficiency which we now have without the monetary assistance and the time and effort given by Mr. Evans. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I should like to take this opportunity to thank you personally, Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Council, and particularly Mr. John Evans, for helping us forward this very necessary and worthwhile work.

Very truly yours,  
s/ Earl Casper  
Chairman of the Board  
Alcoholic Rehab. Asso.

No Council action was considered necessary.

Another letter from the President of the Library Board was presented, as follows:

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Idaho Falls Public Library  
July 11, 1973

The Honorable S. Eddie Pedersen, Mayor  
City of Idaho Falls  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Dear Mayor Pedersen:

The Board of Trustees of the Idaho Falls Public Library is vitally concerned with the need for a new public library building in Idaho Falls. It is our conviction that this must be a matter of top community priority.

One of the first matters which must be settled is where to locate the new building. Two good sites have been under discussion recently. One suggestion is that a library site be provided within the proposed downtown activity center. The advisability of this will depend on the findings of the study committee now working on the activity center proposal, and its worth as a library site would depend on how the library was located with respect to the activity center, other downtown businesses, parking, and space for future expansion.

The second suggested location is the block on which Central Junior High School used to be. Several things favor this site. It is ample in size for a library building, parking, landscaping, and expansion, and would probably still have room for other cultural facilities. Here the library could realize its potential of being a true community cultural center. The site is close to the center of Idaho Falls and on an arterial street. It is a place which has been dedicated to the educational and cultural enrichment of Idaho Falls for some sixty years already, and it would be very appropriate, in the board's view, for the site to continue this role as the location for a modern library cultural center. As such the site should command the warm support of numerous Idaho Falls citizens, many of whose school days were spent there.

It is the Library Board's understanding that School District #91 will soon be considering how to dispose of the Central Junior High block. The library Board believes the City Council should take action now to either acquire the block as a future library site or, at the least, to hold that site open until the downtown activity center report is in. I am therefore asking you to request the City Council to take such action as is necessary to accomplish this. The Library Board is willing to support either site, but strongly believes the Central site should not be allowed to escape us. If appropriate, the Board is willing to take formal action to this effect, including a commitment to Central.

Thank you for your careful and favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely,  
s/ Vernon Johnson  
President I. F. Library  
Board of Trustees

It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Hovey, that this be referred to the Fiscal Building Committees for study and consideration. Roll as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

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Reference is made to page 405 in this book of minutes and, more specifically, certain supplements, as proposed by Fire Chief Corcoran, to the joint fire fighting agreement between the City and Bonneville County Fire Protection District. Councilman Freeman re-introduced this matter and, after a brief explanation by Fire Chief Corcoran, it was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Hovey, that the City Attorney be directed to amend said agreement by incorporating the proposed supplements after which the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

Councilman Freeman introduced this resolution:

**RESOLUTION (Resolution No. 1973-17)**

WHEREAS, the Department of Highways of the State of Idaho has submitted a Cooperative Agreement stating obligations of the State and the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and including plans for: landscaping U.S. Interstate Highway 15 at and between the Broadway and John's Hole Bridge Interchange, within the corporate limits of the City of Idaho Falls, Bonneville County, Idaho, as described in the cooperative agreement and shown on the aforementioned plans, which improvement is to consist of grading, water system installation, planting trees, shrubs and vines, placing topsoil, seeding and miscellaneous items to be constructed within the City under Federal Aid Interstate Highway Project I-15-3(34)119; and

WHEREAS, the allotment of Federal and State funds for the improvement is contingent upon compliance with the laws governing State Highways and State Highway traffic, availability of necessary right of way, adequate provision for the maintenance of the completed improvement, and the establishment of traffic control measures and means for enforcing them.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Cooperative Agreement for Federal Aid Interstate Highway Project I-15-3(34)119 is hereby accepted and approved.
2. That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Cooperative Agreement on behalf of the City of Idaho Falls.
3. that duly certified copies of this Resolution shall be furnished the Department of Highways and the Federal Highway Administration.

It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Erickson, that this resolution be adopted and passed. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried. It was noted that the foregoing resolution, when adopted, authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a Cooperative Agreement with the State of Idaho #I-15-3(34)119 for landscaping the John's Hole Interchange area.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Gesas that the meeting adjourn at 8:30 p.m., carried.

ATTEST: s/ Roy C. Barnes  
CITY CLERK

s/ S. Eddie Pedersen  
MAYOR

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