

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
140 WEST PINE STREET
MISSOULA MONTANA
MAY 17, 2010, AFTER THE COUNCIL MEETING**

Members present: Ed Childers, President; Stacy Rye, Vice President; Lyn Hellegaard; Roy Houseman; Bob Jaffe; Marilyn Marler; Renee Mitchell; Dave Strohmaier; Pam Walzer; Jason Wiener; and Jon Wilkins

Members absent: Dick Haines

Others present: Bruce Bender, Brentt Ramharter, Ginny Merriam, Nikki Rogers

I. Administrative Business

Minutes dated [April 28, 2010](#) were approved as submitted.

II. Public Comment on items not listed on the agenda—None

III. Regular Agenda

- A. Updates from Council representatives on the Health Board, Community Forum, Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee, other boards and commissions as necessary.
– (Ongoing in Committee)

Health Board—Renee Mitchell

Ms. Mitchell gave an update of the board meeting held on April 29, 2010. They approved a preliminary budget request to the city for the FY 2011 health fund. Ellen Leahy, Health Director, presented a summer report on the H1N1 pandemic. This month the meeting will be held on Thursday May 20, 2010. They will be discussing the “Stepping On” program. It is a program in which Community Medical Center presents to help elderly people prevent falls. The board will also take a look at FY11 preliminary budget requests for the Animal Control and the junk vehicle programs. Ben Schmidt will present the “Green Power in Missoula” campaign. During the Water Quality District Board meeting they will be asked to approve the request to the city for the FY11 Water Quality District budget.

Mr. Wilkins commented at the Grizzly Peak where his mother resides, Aging Services comes in and does a presentation for the seniors on how to prevent falls.

Community Forum—Jon Wilkins

Mr. Wilkins stated the Community Forum will be meeting on the 27th of May. Erin Scott has been doing some training. He is interested in some input from the council on some of the bylaws of Neighborhood Councils which are on the edge of the community regarding bringing in county residents to participate in neighborhood policies. He made note in the Upper Rattlesnake Creek bylaws, it doesn't state who can be elected to the Leadership Team. This may be a problem being this is a city entity so they need to be city residents elected.

Pam Walzer stated she has not specifically read the Captain John Mullan bylaws but they make a point in their meetings that only city residents may participate in the vote.

Dave Strohmaier agreed with Mr. Wilkins that this should be discussed further.

Mr. Wilkins stated the bylaws he read were specific in how the voting goes but they are not specific in who can be elected to a position.

Mr. Childers agreed further discussion on the bylaw topic would be good and also more clarification on what the \$800.00 Neighborhood council budget could be spent on.

Mr. Wilkins will submit a referral to discuss the bylaws after meeting with the Community Forum.

Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee—Stacy Rye

Ms. Rye stated the last meeting was on April 20, 2010. It was an informational meeting on stimulus funds and some updates on a couple of infrastructure projects like North Higgins. The Rattlesnake Gateway project goes out for bid soon. She also mentioned the ADA sidewalk ramps which replace old curbs to make them more ADA compliant. The Missoula Active Transportation Plan update is an update of the Bicycle Pedestrian Plan in which volunteers participated in a count on May 4 and May 8.

Local Emergency Planning Committee—Pam Walzer

Ms. Walzer stated she passed along some information from Bob Reid which was [comments](#) from the Board of County Commissioners on the Kearsley Module Transportation Project and another [project](#) will be going through from Lewiston to Billings from Conoco Phillips.

Miscellaneous Comment

Jason Wiener commented maybe in the future when the council has a slightly thinner meeting schedule. He was suggesting having a meeting only when it is necessary to update everyone on a particular item.

Roy Houseman briefly stated the Sunday Carousel Market is going well and they are getting lots of vendors.

IV. Held in committee

1. Mayor's Update – Ongoing in Committee. (Mayor Engen)
2. Updates from Council representatives on the Health Board, Community Forum, Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee, other boards and commissions as necessary. – (Ongoing in Committee)
3. Joint meeting of the Mayor, City Council and County Commission; a facilitated quarterly OPG review as directed in the [Interlocal Agreement](#) (Agenda)—Ongoing (Mayor Engen)
4. Develop short and mid-term goals ([memo](#)).—Regular Agenda (Bob Jaffe) (Referred to committee: 4/23/2007)
5. Joint meeting between the Missoula City Council and the Missoula County Public Schools' Board of Trustees ([memo](#)).—Regular Agenda (Dave Strohmaier) (Referred to committee: 09/17/07)
6. Examination of Office Planning and Grants ([memo](#))—Regular Agenda (Lyn Hellegaard) (Referred to committee: 09/08/08)
7. Review CIP funding mechanism, vehicle replacement policy, department vehicle use practices, specifically Police, Fire, and Parking Commission ([memo](#)).—Regular Agenda (Ed Childers) (Referred to committee: 11/10/08)
8. UM/City Luncheon ([memo](#)).—Regular Agenda (Mayor Engen) (Referred to committee: 05/10/2010)

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Rogers
Deputy City Clerk