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**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 81 ELKHORN ROAD
CITY OF SUN VALLEY, IDAHO
April 4, 2013 – 4:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Briscoe called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Dewayne Briscoe, Council President Bob Youngman, Council Member Nils Ribi, Council Member Franz Suhadolnik, and Council Member Michelle Griffith.

ABSENT: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Temporary Public Safety Administrator Walt Femling.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sun Valley Resident Peggy Tierney made comments regarding the light at Juniper and Elkhorn Road. Mayor Briscoe made a comment.

Sun Valley Resident Kevin Laird made comments regarding public comment sessions.

Sun Valley Resident Karen Reinheimer made comments regarding the comprehensive plan budget, note taking at Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee meetings and concerns regarding changes presented by Sun Valley Company.

MAYOR COMMENT

Mayor Briscoe recognized outstanding residents of Sun Valley: Hilary Knight made the World Hockey Team for World Hockey Finals and Canadian Women's Most Valuable Player; and Sophia Schwartz won the US Freestyle Ski Championships and was named to the US Ski Team.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Council Member Nils Ribi pointed out that the City Council immediately had the light on the corner of Juniper Road and Elkhorn Road turned off when it was brought to their attention. He looked forward to discussing the matter with Sun Valley Resident Peggy Tierney after the meeting.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

Idaho Mountain Express Reporter Brennan Rego asked questions regarding the future of emergency services at the City. Mayor Briscoe stated the City was not going to respond at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Nils Ribi said that the Finance Committee planned to give a report. Council Member Nils Ribi requested to separate out items on the consent agenda to discuss items 2, 3, and 4. Mayor Briscoe agreed to move the Consent Agenda to after item 16 upon request of Council members.

PRESENTATIONS

1. [Mountain Rides Transit Authority annual report to the City Council](#)

Mountain Rides Chairman Susan McBryant gave a presentation regarding personnel at Mountain Rides, the south valley the bus garage, bus shelter on the corner of East Fork Road and Highway 75, the transit hub in Ketchum and budget changes with the reduction of Federal funds.

A discussion was held between Council members and Mountain Rides Chairman Susan McBryant concerning the Mountain Rides budget cuts and possible impacts to the City of Sun Valley.

Mayor Briscoe asked questions about the buses purchased in the past with Sun Valley funds. Mountain Rides Chairman Susan McBryant and Council Member Nils Ribi responded.

2. [Blaine County Housing Authority bi-annual report to the City Council](#)

Blaine County Housing Authority Executive Director David Patrie gave a presentation to the Council and discussed the annual report that ended September 2012. Topics of the presentation covered: changes to the upcoming annual report; the hiring of a new administrator and a bilingual outreach intern; relocation of the office from Hailey to Ketchum; and that new housing units will be available soon.

Council Member Franz Suhadolnik asked about the Blaine County population. Blaine County Housing Authority Executive Director David Patrie explained that the population has not changed dramatically since 2010. Council Member Nils Ribi asked whether the large percentage of people in the low-income range would be the people looking for rentals. Blaine County Housing Authority Executive Director David Patrie stated that was correct.

3. [Fly Sun Valley Alliance bi-annual report to the City Council](#)

Fly Sun Valley Executive Director Carol Waller gave a presentation to the Council. Updates included progress outlining performance metrics for continued service in and out of Friedman Memorial Airport as well as nonstop service to Los Angeles and Seattle.

Council Member Nils Ribi noted that flights had stopped before the ski season had ended. Fly Sun Valley Executive Director Carol Waller explained that the flights were extended a week longer than the previous year's since the Easter holiday was later in the year. Historically, there is a significant drop-off after the Easter holiday; therefore, it was decided to end at that time.

Fly Sun Valley Executive Director Carol Waller continued with the presentation and explained there was a reduction in MRG (Minimum Revenue Guarantee) payout. It was noted that for

summer 2012 compared with 2011 there was a great cost associated with more flights between Memorial Day and the middle of June, with significantly fewer seats filled. Therefore, the schedule had been modified, reducing the MRG cost. Passenger surveys are to be completed by April 15th for winter the season. Fundraising is continuing with contributions from the Sun Valley Board of Realtors and other businesses in the valley. A key accomplishment is that Alaska and Skywest are increasing service. An important upcoming event includes passage of the 1% local option tax increase this fall. Council Member Nils Ribi asked why Salt Lake was not included in the report of non-stop flights, since most of the flights into Sun Valley come from there. Fly Sun Valley Executive Director Carol Waller explained that the report only shows non-stop direct flights, and that most flights from Salt Lake come from other locations. Council Member Michelle Griffith noted that the reports show specifically direct service and not connecting service. Fly Sun Valley Executive Director Carol Waller responded to a letter sent by Sun Valley resident, Mr. Adams, who proposed contradictory information about the airplanes flying into the airport. Mayor Briscoe pointed out a key feature of the letter was that there was a decline of people flying out of here over the last 10 years. Fly Sun Valley Executive Director Carol Waller agreed with the decline. Council Member Franz Suhadolnik voiced the need to get a new airport.

4. [Sun Valley Marketing Alliance quarterly report to the City Council](#)

Sun Valley Marketing Alliance Executive Director Arlene Schieven gave the presentation. She introduced Chuck Rumph, the new member of the Sun Valley Marketing Alliance Board and new representative for the City of Sun Valley. She discussed the sales indicators including LOT, the Sun Valley Blog, social media, internal indicators and activities, and budget and performance tracking.

Council Member Franz Suhadolnik asked about performance indicators for California and about membership of business advertisers. Council President Bob Youngman asked how Sun Valley is competing with other resorts, encourage benchmarks to understand the changes, and asked about the number of visitors. Council Member Nils Ribi asked questions about the data. Sun Valley Marketing Alliance Executive Director Arlene Schieven responded to their questions. Council President Bob Youngman requested a draft budget available by the July 15, 2013.

Mayor Briscoe recognized Sun Valley Marketing Alliance Board Member and City of Sun Valley representative Chuck Rumph who requested Council members to contact him for any input or questions. Mr. Rumph discussed his background and his optimistic view of the Sun Valley Marketing Alliance and the staff. Council Member Franz Suhadolnik asked him about expenses and overhead of the Sun Valley Marketing Alliance. Mr. Rumph believed that personnel compensations are in line with the work being done. Council President Bob Youngman requested data to show how the Sun Valley Marketing Alliance will progress and function. Council Member Nils Ribi requested that the Sun Valley Marketing Alliance address the interaction of the Sun Valley Company with the Sun Valley Marketing Alliance. Mayor Briscoe asked about funding between Ketchum and Sun Valley. Mr. Rumph explained that the Sun Valley Marketing Alliance Board put together a sustainable funding plan.

Sun Valley Marketing Alliance Executive Director Arlene Schieven reported that they have been working closely with the Sun Valley Company on marketing contributions and have meetings on a regular basis.

Mayor Briscoe recognized Sun Valley Youth Council Vice President Chase Hutchinson.

BREAK

A break was taken from 5:40 p.m. to 5:51 p.m.

Mayor Briscoe recognized Blaine County Commissioner Jacob Greenberg.

ACTION/DISCUSSION

5. [Discussion and possible action on revised proposal from Sun Valley Youth Council](#)

Sun Valley Youth Council Vice President Chase Hutchinson gave a presentation about upcoming events, asked for City Council support, and asked the Mayor to proclaim April “Alcohol Awareness Month”.

There was discussion among Council members, Sun Valley Youth Council Vice President Chase Hutchinson and City Attorney Adam King regarding concern of having the City be liable for any accidents if the City supports the youth events. City Attorney Adam King assured the Council that in no way would the City be liable if a student was involved in an accident in relation to the support or sponsorship of a youth event.

Council Members also asked about details of an upcoming proposed dance. Council Member Franz Suhadolnik requested that the Sun Valley Youth Council consider having events in a more central location so that not all residents of Blaine County would have very far to drive – even students from Carey. Council Member Nils Ribi requested that liaison Council Member Michelle Griffith work with the Youth Council to follow all proper steps are taken to ensure a successful event.

Mayor Briscoe requested time to review the proclamation recognizing April as “Alcohol Awareness Month”. Upon his review, he would publically announce it.

MOTION

Council President Bob Youngman moved to endorse the Sun Valley Youth Council to begin planning a dance in May, seconded by Council Member Nils Ribi.

Council Member Nils Ribi assured the Sun Valley Youth Council he would assist with the August event.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A voice vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

The Council approved the proclamation recognizing April as “Alcohol Awareness Month”. Mayor Briscoe will submit the document into public record and submit it to the press.

6. [Overview and analysis of the funding of dispatch services was given by Temporary Public Safety Administrator Walt Femling](#)

Temporary Public Safety Administrator Walt Femling gave a presentation to the Council. Council members asked questions. Council Member Nils Ribi voiced concerns about budgeting and communications between different stakeholders. Council Member Franz Suhadolnik voiced concerns regarding the cost for Sun Valley Citizens. Council President Bob Youngman discussed the consideration of cost for keeping the jobs in the valley verses out of the valley. Council Member Nils Ribi voiced concerns that there is no capital replacement fund. Interim Fire Chief Ray Franco pointed out there is currently no communication abilities between Sun Valley Fire Department and Southern Idaho Regional Communications (SIRCOMM).

Hailey City Attorney Ned Williamson gave a presentation on SIRCOMM. He explained that Hailey and Bellevue have made motions to enter into an agreement with SIRCOMM as long as Sun Valley does as well. Council members asked general questions about SIRCOMM and Hailey City Attorney Ned Williamson responded.

Blaine County Commissioner Jacob Greenberg stated that Blaine County Commissioners are open to discussing the use of SIRCOMM. Council members asked questions. Council Member Michelle Griffith asked questions about equitable distribution of costs. Blaine County Commissioner Jacob Greenberg responded.

Mayor Briscoe suggested having a special council meeting in April to provide more information. The meeting would be called when partners had met to propose options.

7.& 8. [Discussion and action on purchase for engine foam pump replacement for Fire Department and Bid opening and awarding for fire truck refurbishing project](#)

Interim Fire Chief Ray Franco discussed the bid and gave a proposal to the Council. The bid was more than what was budgeted. He recommended getting the larger engine fixed. Council members asked questions about the needs of the Fire Department and availability of fire engines. Interim Fire Chief Ray Franco responded.

MOTION

Council Member Nils Ribi moved to allow repairs of Fire Engine 66 in the amount \$18,050.00, seconded by Council President Bob Youngman.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A voice vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

MOTION

Council Member Nils Ribi moved to accept the bid for the fire tender refurbishing project for Fire Engine 63 for \$130,000, with the additional money needed to pay for that line item in the fixed asset fund will come from the balance of the allocation from repairs of Fire Engine 66 and the remaining balance will come from the contingency fund, seconded by Council Member Michelle Griffith.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A voice vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Council Member Nils Ribi suggested beginning the bid process for the replacement of Fire Truck 64.

9. [Discussion and adoption of Resolution 2013-08, amendments to the 2012 City of Sun Valley Personnel Manual](#)

Changes to the personnel manual include prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity as well as a few minor corrections involving spacing and inserting missing words.

MOTION

Council Member Franz Suhadolnik moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2013-08, Amendments to the 2012 City of Sun Valley Personnel Manual, seconded by Council Member Nils Ribi.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

10. [Review and adoption of Resolution 2013-09 amending the City of Sun Valley 2012 Salary Pay Range](#)

City Administrator Susan Robertson explained that there is a change in personnel and a plan to update the structure of administration staff. There was a discussion among the City Administrator Susan Robertson, the Council members and City Attorney Adam King regarding the title for the position. Council members agreed the title of the new position would be Assistant City Clerk and Assistant Treasurer.

MOTION

Council President Bob Youngman moved to adopt Resolution 2013-09, Amending the City of Sun Valley 2012 Salary Pay Range, with the title change to Assistant City Clerk/Assistant Treasurer, seconded by Council Member Michelle Griffith.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

11. [Discussion and adoption of FY 14 Budget Calendar and setting the date for the FY 14 public hearing](#)

MOTION

Council Member Michelle Griffith moved to accept the FY 2014 Budget Calendar and setting the date for the FY 2014 public hearing, seconded by Council Member Franz Suhadolnik.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried. Council Member Nils Ribi was not present for the vote. Council Member Nils Ribi returned prior to beginning Agenda Item 12.

CONSENT AGENDA

12. [Approval of Council Minutes of February 25, 2013 and March 7, 2013](#)

Changes and corrections were noted by Council members and recorded by the Deputy City Clerk.

MOTION

Council Member Nils Ribi moved to approve the Council Minutes of February 25, 2013 and March 7, 2013 with the noted changes, seconded by Council Member Michelle Griffith.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A voice vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

13. [Receive and File Financials](#)

- a. March, 2013 Paid Invoice Report
- b. February, 2013 Financial Report

Finance Committee report - Council Member Nils Ribi made a comment regarding reviewing and filing financials. He was concerned that the Finance Committee does not look at payroll and reoccurring invoices. The Finance Committee will report those in summary at future regular City Council meeting. Until the information is provided, the Finance Committee could not make a recommendation of the financials. They did have a recommendation for approval for non-reoccurring bills. Council Member Franz Suhadolnik made a comment regarding Idaho Statue 50-708 and a need for clarification.

MOTION

Council Member Nils Ribi moved to receive and file the March Paid Invoice Report and February Financial Report, seconded by Council Member Michelle Griffith.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A voice vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

14. [Authorize payment of bills and payroll \(reoccurring per Resolution 2012-07\) for May, 2013, when due](#)

MOTION

Council Member Nils Ribi moved to authorize payment of bills and payroll (reoccurring per Resolution 2012-07) for May, 2013, when due, seconded by Council Member Michelle Griffith.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A voice vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

15. [Authorize payment of bills \(non-reoccurring\) on-hand due after March 27, 2013 and recommended for approval by the Finance Committee](#)

MOTION

Council Member Michelle Griffith moved to authorize payment of bills (non-reoccurring) on-hand due after March 27, 2013 and recommended for approval by the Finance Committee, seconded by Council President Bob Youngman.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A roll call vote was taken. The Council Members voted in favor, none opposed. Council Member Nils Ribi abstained. The motion carried.

16. [EXECUTIVE SESSION](#) – Pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 sections (a), (b) and (f).

MOTION

Council Member Nils Ribi moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 sections (a), (b) and (f), seconded by Council Member Michelle Griffith.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

The Mayor declared the motion approved and Council moved into Executive Session at 8:21 p.m. Council Member Michelle Griffith left the meeting during the Executive Session.

Council came out of Executive Session at 8:57 p.m.

[ADJOURNMENT](#)

MOTION

Council President Bob Youngman moved to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Franz Suhadolnik.

Mayor Briscoe called for the vote. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor, none opposed. Council Member Michelle Griffith was not present for the vote. The motion carried.

Mayor Briscoe declared the meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Dewayne Briscoe, Mayor

Hannah L. Stauts, City Clerk