

JOURNAL OF COMMISSION WORK SESSION
May 6, 2008

City Commission Work Session

Mayor Dona Stebbins presiding

CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: City Commissioners present: Mayor Stebbins, John Rosenbaum, Bill Bronson, Bill Beecher and Mary Jolley. Also present were the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, Directors of Community Development, Fiscal Services, Park and Recreation, Public Works, Planning, the City Attorney, Assistant Fire Chief, Police Chief, and the Acting City Clerk.

1. SUN RIVER WATER SHED UPDATE

Alan Rollo with the Sun River Watershed Group did a presentation to the Commission to update them on the current issues facing the Sun River Basin, the current projects they are involved in, and their accomplishments. He thanked the City for their past contributions in the form of in-kind and monetary contributions and hoped the City would continue to assist them in their efforts.

2. AIRPORT TIF DISTRICT

Great Falls International Airport Director Cynthia Schultz introduced Janet Cornish, a consultant with CDS of Montana. Ms. Cornish explained the process of what would be necessary to implement a tax increment district at the Airport. A draft Memorandum of Understanding to pursue the creation of the district was provided to the Commission. The Commission agreed to discuss how to proceed with this request at their next agenda setting meeting.

3. MILITARY CHARTER

Airport Director Cynthia Schultz introduced Mike Flaherty, Committee of 80, who presented the North Central Montana Military Road Map. Mr. Flaherty described the benefits the Military influence has to our community as well as the state. The idea is to have a unified approach to our military future. The City Commission was requested to endorse this Road Map along with the Committee of 80, the Chamber, Cascade County, and the Legislative delegation before it is presented to the Governor for his endorsement and support.

4. PUBLIC WORKS/GREAT FALLS HIGH SCHOOL PSA

Paul Gorsuch, a student at Great Falls High School, and his teacher, Kelly Wiles, presented two public service announcements that his Video Productions class created at

the request of the Public Works Department. The PSAs covered illegal storm drain dumping and pedestrian street crossings. More PSAs are planned to be produced in the future.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Mayor Stebbins adjourned the work session of May 6, 2008, at 6:53 p.m.