

JOURNAL OF COMMISSION WORK SESSIONS
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City Commission Work Session

Mayor Pro-Tempore Hinz presiding

CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL: City Commissioners present: Bill Beecher, Sandy Hinz, Diane Jovick-Kuntz and John Rosenbaum. Mayor Stebbins was excused. Also present were the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, City Attorney, Directors of Community Development, Park and Recreation and Planning, Acting Public Works Director, Acting Police Chief, Fire Chief and the City Clerk.

1. ANIMAL CONTROL FEES.

Kory Larsen, Chief Prosecuting Officer, explained that a committee has met to develop a proposal for animal control related fees. He said that currently the proposal includes registration fees for dogs and cats, impound fees, deposits, shot fees, boarding fees and fees associated with the Multiple Animal Permit and Hobby Breeder Permit. Some of the fee amounts were still being discussed. As soon as the committee reaches consensus, the City Commission will be asked to conduct a public hearing on the proposal and adopt or amend the fee structure.

After a brief discussion, Mayor Pro-Tempore Hinz thanked Mr. Larsen for his work on the fees.

2. SWIMMING POOL BONDS (OF 1501)

Fiscal Services Director Coleen Balzarini explained that bids were opened today for the sale of General Obligation Bonds to fund improvements at the City's outdoor swimming pools. Seven bids were received and staff recommended the City Commission award the sale to Stifel Nicolaus, Hanifen Imhoff Div., of Denver, Colorado, who bid the lowest net interest cost payable on the bonds of 3.855117 percent. She said that this interest rate would save the Great Falls taxpayers approximately \$100,000.

3. REGIONAL AIRPORT UPDATE.

Airport Manager Cynthia Schultz reviewed the airport statistics and goals since 1999. She stated that the Airport Board and staff have accomplished many of the goals and have worked hard to improve the service and quality of the airport as well as using the airport as a tool to enhance economic development in the area.

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ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Mayor Pro-Tempore Hinz adjourned the work session of May 1, 2007, at 6:30 pm.

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