

Mayor David Anderson called the special meeting of March 30, 2009 to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Boundary County Extension Office. Present for the meeting were Mayor Anderson, Council President John Langs, Council Members Dave Gray, and Chris Clark, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Assistant City Administrator Dave Sims, Police Chief Rick Alonzo, and Attorney Tim Wilson. Also present were Boundary County Commissioners Ron Smith, Walt Kirby, and Dan Dinning, County Deputy Clerk Nancy Ryals, and Claine and Teresa Skeen, City of Moyie Mayor Doug Evans, City of Moyie Councilmen Geoff Hollenbeck, Steve Economu, and Willie Byars, and Rhonda Hamerslough from Second Chance Animal Adoption.

The purpose of the special meeting was to discuss issues related to Boundary County, City of Moyie, City of Bonners Ferry, and the Kootenai Tribe.

Ron Smith spoke of recycling. Claine Skeen said the county is under the small community exemption and we can only produce up to 20 ton of garbage per day at the landfill. The longer we can prolong the closure of the landfill the better for our community. The amount accumulated from the Bonners Ferry Post Office alone is over one hundred pounds per day. The average person throws away approximately 29.2 pounds per day according to Claine. The first Wednesday of the month is recycle day at the Far North parking lot. He encouraged recycling to keep the landfill open longer. The cost of hauling garbage out to a transfer station is \$65 per ton approximately.

Stephen Boorman said several dumpsters have been designated in the city by B.F. Garbage for the large cardboard users in town. He also said we have started recycling at the city. Stephen said the garbage rates in town would probably double if we have an additional route designated for recycling at curbside. The City of Moyie has not looked at recycling. Ron said the manned dumpster sites almost generate enough recycling to pay for the attendee at the sites. Doug Evans will speak to the manager at the Moyie mill about recycling. Claine said the landfill recycles all but glass. Cardboard and plastics get bailed and shipped out from the landfill. Equipment and car batteries are being shipped out. Metals are bailed and shipped out. Wood cannot be burned any longer so it is ground. Money is received by the county for cardboard, plastics, batteries, metals but the county must pay for the wood and tires to be disposed of. Chris Clark asked if there is a positive cash flow for recycling. Claine anticipates that he receives about \$60,000 per year without figuring in the man hours used for recycling. Claine thinks we can keep the landfill open about ten more years at the rate we are going now.

Rhonda Hamerslough spoke to the group. She said the Youth at Risk Group Program was very successful and they had their first graduation last weekend. There were two participants and the two dogs used for the program were from the city pound. One of the animals used was adopted out over the weekend. The goal is a shelter with room to operate these programs.

Sunday liquor sales were discussed. The estimate of added revenue for the City of Bonners Ferry would be approximately \$900 per year. Mayor Anderson said there are only a few

establishments statewide that offer Sunday sales. Ron said the hours of operation would be from noon to 5:00 p.m. and would not have anything to do with bar sales. This would only come from the State Liquor Store sales. Walt Kirby said the county puts all funds received from the return on liquor sales to education through the NIC program.

Ron Smith spoke regarding the old high school on Oak Street and the need for more basketball courts. He would like to see what it would take to create a community center. Dave Anderson said there are some private parties that may be interested in investing in the community center. Walt Kirby said there is snow on the roof. Chris Clark said there is water damage to the gym floor and the roof is no good. Rhonda said Second Chance Animal Adoption Agency would like to be involved in the discussions of a community center to help connect the youth with activities. She said currently they use the basketball courts at the Armory to walk the dogs. Doug Evans said Panhandle State Bank will be attending the next Moyie council meeting and he will speak to them about the community center.

Ron said it is a good idea for the multiple agencies to meet and discuss issues.

The group took a break.

John Langs, Dave Gray, Rhonda Hamerslough, and Claine and Teresa Skeen left the meeting.

Mayor Anderson said he wants to see the Second Chance Animal Adoption Agency focus on the dog issues and they may need direction from the County and City of Moyie Springs. Doug Evans inquired about what they are doing with the money from the sale of the property. Mayor Anderson said they are carrying the contract on the property sale. He said there is now a second group operated by Alice Miller and they will be concentrating on spay and neutering. Tim Wilson said we could lease property to a private entity if we felt it was in the best interests of the public but he cautioned what the city would say to another group coming in and requesting the same. We should treat them equal. Property was briefly discussed for a location for Second Chance Animal Adoption facility. Walt Kirby said the dog noise is something to be considered when looking at a location for the facility. Tim Wilson cautioned about a building that may be abandoned if erected on city or county ground. Doug Evans said the City of Moyie has a dog problem. The group discussed animal pound issues.

The group discussed having joint meetings about three times per year.

Dan Dinning said we need to reduce the tonnage brought into the landfill and asked the city to recycle. City of Moyie has voluntary garbage pickup by B.F. Garbage. Their residents are not charged for garbage collection through the City of Moyie. David Sims suggested having the recycling efforts at the parking lot of Far North weekly rather than just once a month.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

David K. Anderson, Mayor

Attest:

Kris Larson, City Clerk