Mayor Darrell Kerby called the special council meeting of August 31, 2005 to order at 8:07 a.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Kerby, Council President Mick Mellett, Council Members Russ Docherty and Leslie Falcon, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Water Department Supervisor Chuck Lycans, Police Chief Dave Kramer, Fire Chief Larry Owsley, and Economic Development Coordinator Robin Ponsness.

The purpose for the special meeting was to authorize meter vault purchases and approve a four inch water line to Peterson’s in District 1.

Stephen Boorman spoke about the water meter vault purchase. The original water meter bids were rejected and according to new legislation for purchasing if the purchase on the open market is more economical than to go through the bid, the open market purchase is allowed. Stephen has obtained legal advice from the City Attorney and he has advised this is legal. The Corps of Engineers also agrees. Russ Docherty moved to adopt Resolution 2005-20 to purchase water meter vaults on the open market on receipt of a legal opinion from the City Attorney. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”. Resolution 2005-20 reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-20
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BONNERS FERRY, BOUNDARY COUNTY, IDAHO APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF WATER METER VAULTS ON THE OPEN MARKET
WHEREAS, the City Council rejected all bids for water meters at the August 16, 2005 Council Meeting and authorized the rebid of the water meters, and
WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the City Administrator that the water meter vaults be purchased on the open market as allowed by Idaho Code 67-2806(2)(h), and
WHEREAS, Mueller Vaults are the desired vault to be used by the City due to the number of features provided that other vaults on the market do not have, and
WHEREAS, Mueller Vaults are the standard vault for the City, North Water District, and South Hill Water District, and
WHEREAS, the purchase price of the Mueller Vaults is $209,004.90 on the open market as compared to the rejected bid price of $237,578 indicating a substantial savings;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BONNERS FERRY, BOUNDARY COUNTY, IDAHO that the Mueller Vaults be purchased on the open market as approved unanimously by the City of Bonners Ferry.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption.
ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Bonners Ferry, Boundary County, Idaho on August 31, 2005.
CITY OF BONNERS FERRY
Boundary County, Idaho
/s/ Darrell Kerby, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Kris Larson, City Clerk

Stephen Boorman informed council about the extension of the treated line in District 1 to the Peterson property. He said Rural Development stepped up to the plate when they found that the City did not have enough money to fund the extension of the treated line to Peterson’s and have offered to fund the majority of the cost of that line. The line to Peterson’s property will be a four-inch line. The additional cost to the project will be about $40,000 for the four inch line to Peterson’s and Rural Development will fund about $35,000 of that cost. Mayor Kerby inquired about the difference in cost to upgrade the line from four inch to six inch. Stephen said the additional cost would be substantial but did not know the amount off the top of his head. The total cost to the City for the extension of the District 1 waterline for all the customers that currently receive untreated water is $80,000. Rural Development will pick up the major cost of the project. Council discussed the water fund balance and cost of the City share of projects for the meters and the District 1 line extension. The City’s share for meters is about $200,000 and the
District 1 line is about $80,000. Russ Docherty moved to put in a four-inch line for the 4400 feet to the Peterson’s property. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 a.m.

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Darrell Kerby, Mayor

Attest:

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Kris Larson, City Clerk