Mayor Darrell Kerby called the regularly scheduled council meeting of December 6, 2005 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Kerby, Council President Mick Mellett, Council Members Russ Docherty, Leslie Falcon, and Dave Gray, Clerk Kris Larson, City Administrator Stephen Boorman, Planning and Zoning Coordinator Gary Falcon, Fire Chief Larry Owsley, and Police Chief Dave Kramer. Also present were John Langs, Mary Peterson, and Tina Scott.

Dave Kramer gave the Police Report. There was an emergency mental medical case over the weekend and the person had to be transported to Lewiston for treatment. City Reserve Officers transported the individual. This is causing quite a problem for law enforcement since they cannot be kept in Bonners Ferry and Coeur d’Alene facilities did not have room. The Court is looking at a video system so the patients do not have to travel from the facility back to Bonners Ferry to go before the Judge for a court appearance.

The City Police have recovered two stolen vehicles.

City Attorney Tim Wilson joined the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Larry Owsley gave the Fire Report. Santa will be arriving on December 16th at the Dollar Store and on December 17th at City Hall on the City Fire Truck.

The gas heat is on at the fire hall. The FEMA people, Alan Hamilton and Randi Rogers, have been requested to return to the hurricane area and they will be gone through the holidays. There have been several fire slash burns and the fire safe program is working well. There was a gas leak at the memorial hall and it has been repaired by Hubbell’s. There was a carbon monoxide problem in the Sorge home and the City Fire Department assisted. Avista worked on the Memorial Hall and the Sorge leaks. There was a fire at a residence on Augusta and Stephens Street. The weather conditions were bad last night and the fire crews received assistance from the Police Department, Electric Department, and Street Department. Larry appreciated the assistance from the other City departments.

Leslie Falcon moved to approve the consent agenda. Mick Mellett seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. The consent agenda contained the following: roll call, approval of December 6, 2005 accounts payable; approval of November 15, 2005 council meeting minutes; approval of November 18, 2005 special council meeting minutes; approval for Stephen Boorman to attend the ICUA meeting in Boise from January 9-11, 2006.

Russ Docherty moved to allow up to $3,000 to be spent for the Christmas party. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Tim Wilson spoke to Council regarding the area of impact. He showed a map to the Council. Gary Falcon said once Council is in agreement with the map then copies will be distributed to the Commissioners.
Gary Falcon gave an update on the annexation issue. He is working on gathering information to hand out to the public. Mayor Kerby said there may be a sale of some of the property in the proposed annexation area and the prospective buyers are in favor of annexation. He said this might affect the process the City follows.

Mick Mellett moved to have the second reading of the Subdivision Ordinance 495 as amended by title only. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. The title of ordinance 495 was read. Gary Falcon went over the changes made to the ordinance since the first reading. The group discussed road standards and the Mayor directed staff to have a copy of the road standards policy to Council for their review prior to the next council meeting.

The building use policy was discussed. Russ Docherty moved to approve the building use policy as presented by staff. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The group discussed the policy that a fee is charged for use of the fire hall unless a city department is involved. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Mick Mellett moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the pay request for Welch Comer for the Forest Service Grant. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Mick moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with ITRON for meter reading device. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to adopt resolution 2006-2 Authorizing the Mayor to sign the DEQ loan application and related paperwork. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. Resolution 2006-2 reads as follows:

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING DRINKING WATER SYSTEM LOANS

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2006-02

Date: December 6, 2005

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF BONNERS FERRY, IDAHO, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ALL APPLICATIONS, LOAN AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS, AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO DRINKING WATER SYSTEM LOANS.

WHEREAS, the City of Bonners Ferry intends to design and construct drinking water system facilities for a 500,000 gallon storage tank, chlorine contact chamber, and distribution improvements; such facilities being necessary to improve the health, safety, and well being of the people; and

WHEREAS, the majority of the costs of the design/construction of the drinking water facilities are eligible under the State of Idaho Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, that Mayor Darrell Kerby is duly authorized to sign applications, loan agreements and amendments, and other documents relating to drinking water system loans used to fund the proposed drinking water system facilities project.

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Bonners Ferry the 6th day of December, 2005, by the following votes:

Ayes: Mick Mellett, Russ Docherty, Leslie Falcon, Dave Gray

Nays: none

/s/ Darrell Kerby, Mayor

Attested: /s/ Kris Larson, City Clerk
Russ Docherty moved to authorize the contract with Boundary County Fair Board for Memorial and Exhibit Hall rental for the Christmas party. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Mick Mellett moved to approve the beverage license transfer for Mugsy’s for the remainder of 2005. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Mick Mellett moved to approve the catering permit for Mirror lake Golf Course for the City Christmas party. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Mick Mellett moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign pay request 1 for S&L Underground on the District 1 waterline project. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the paperwork for the closeout of the Idaho Community Development Block Grant for the Downtown Revitalization Project. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The group discussed the downtown project. Mayor Kerby told the group that the snowplow has chipped concrete in the middle of the mid block crossing. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the paperwork for the CMAC Grant for a 10-wheel truck. Mick Mellett seconded the motion. He asked about match. Stephen said it is somewhere between eight and ten percent. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to authorize the sponsorship of the CMAC Grant for School District 101 for paving the parking lots at Valley View. Mick Mellett seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. Dave Gray said that Principal Walt Piipo from Valley View asked him to express his appreciation of the City for working with the School District to get this problem taken care of. Council also thanked Robin Ponsness and John Youngwirth for their work on the project.

Mick Mellett moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the ITD Enhancement Grant for Augusta Street. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the application for the Rural STP Program for Alderson Lane. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

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Mick Mellett moved to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract with JD Engineering for work at the Power Plant. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. Stephen said the work will be done on the parallel switches on the feeders at the plant. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Russ Docherty moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) Transmission Contract extension. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. The contract will be extended until 2031.

Russ Docherty moved to approve the wage committee recommendations as submitted by the wage committee. Mick Mellett seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. The recommendation of the wage committee was to give the employees a three percent raise with the exception of the following: 1) Lifeguards – no increase; 2) Animal Pound Caretaker – no increase; 3) five percent raise for Stephen Boorman, Tamera Stemme, Steve Neumeyer, Dean Satchwell, Tim English, Lawrence Drake, and Steve Galbraith; 4) twelve percent increase to John Youngwirth in the street department; 5) set a base wage of $13.60 per hour for the water department employees and then add $.25 per hour for each State certification obtained in the future. The water department employees would receive a three-percent raise at this time like the majority of employees.

Mick Mellett asked that the employee raises be retroactive to October 1, 2005 because it is budgeted and the employees are not at fault for the committee results not being put forth more timely. Russ Docherty moved to implement the raises the first of January, 2006. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. Mick asked what the reasoning was. Russ said he thinks it is considerable work to do the calculations. The Clerk said it is not that much work and it could be done easily. Mick Mellett “no”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “no”. Mayor Kerby voted yes to break the tie.

The group discussed the Human Rights Conference in Moscow in the spring of 2006. Dave Gray said he would like to attend this conference as he would have liked to attend this in the past but was unable to. Mick Mellett moved to pay the expenses for Elsie Hollenbeck and Council Members to attend the Human Rights Conference in Moscow. Russ Docherty seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.

Dave Kramer said there is a recommendation from Homeland Security to adopt a resolution adopting the National Incident Management System as Standardized System to Prepare for, Respond to, and Recover from Domestic Incidents, Emergencies, and Disasters. Russ Docherty moved to adopt resolution 2006-3. Dave Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. Resolution 2006-3 reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-03
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AS THE CITY OF BONNERS FERRY’S, STANDARDIZED SYSTEM TO PREPARE FOR, RESPOND TO, AND RECOVER FROM DOMESTIC INCIDENTS, EMERGENCIES, AND DISASTERS
WHEREAS, in Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSDP) -5, Management of Domestic Incidents, the President directed the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS); and
WHEREAS, The Department of Homeland Security published this nationwide systems approach for federal, state, local and tribal governments on March 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, HSPD-5 requires Federal departments and agencies to make adoption of the NIMS by state, tribal and local organizations a condition for Federal preparedness assistance beginning in FY 2005; and

WHEREAS, The State of Idaho, by Executive Order, has adopted NIMS as its standard to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, emergencies, and disasters; and

WHEREAS, Local government must implement a consistent nationwide approach to incident management in order to effectively request and receive state and federal disaster/emergency assistance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Bonners Ferry, hereby adopts the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s National Incident Management System as the standard to be used by all emergency response personnel, teams, and organizations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Bonners Ferry, enhances its response capability by evaluating and expanding mutual aid agreements to support the implementation of NIMS.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Bonners Ferry, Boundary County, Idaho on December 6, 2005.

CITY OF BONNERS FERRY ATTEST:

/s/ Darrell Kerby, Mayor /s/ Kris Larson, City Clerk

The purchase of a fire truck was discussed. Larry Owsley has found two used fire trucks in Richland, Washington at an advertised price of $25,000 each. Mick Mellett moved to authorize the purchase of a used fire truck. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. Larry said the fire truck has been advertised with the equipment attached. Mick expressed concern that the fire hoses would not be sold with the truck. The motion passed, all in favor – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

Mick Mellett moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with Columbia for safety training subject to the changes recommended by the attorney. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”.

There is a meeting in Spokane on December 8, 2005 with Steve Wright from BPA and the Mayor told any council member or council member elect who would like to attend it that it will be at City expense.

Russ Docherty raised the question of whether there would be a problem with our Bonding Attorney if the City builds a 500,000-gallon water tank rather than a million-gallon tank. The group did not think there would be a problem.

At 8:15 p.m. Mick Mellett moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345 to discuss legal issues and negotiations. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed – Mick Mellett “yes”, Russ Docherty “yes”, Leslie Falcon “yes”, Dave Gray “yes”. At 8:48 p.m. Russ Docherty moved to go out of executive session. Leslie Falcon seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor. No action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Attest: ________________________________

Kris Larson, City Clerk

Darrell Kerby, Mayor

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