MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROUNDUP HELD ON SEPTEMBER 15th, 2015 AT 7:00, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Clerk Lanter called roll with Council members Ramsey, Schladweiler, LaPierre, Picchioni, Griffith, Toombs, and Martin present. Yount was absent. Also present Assistant Clerk Olsen and Director Sibley.

Corrections to the minutes: budget resolutions numbers will be changed to 1042-1045, and Snowy Mountain Development Corp. Resolution 1038 will be corrected to 1046.

Moved by Martin, seconded by Toombs to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

Moved by Schladweiler, seconded by LaPierre to approve the minutes of the September 1st, 2015 meeting, as corrected. All in favor. Motion carried.

Visitors: Lorenze Alt was here with an issue of people speeding on 2nd and 3rd Avenue East. He says the speed limit signs put up by the public works director have not helped. Mayor Jones suggested he get license plate numbers and file a formal complaint at the sheriff’s office. Picchioni said he will bring up the issue at the next law enforcement committee meeting. Mayor also asked if Picchioni would bring up the concern of kids riding their bikes on the new stage.

Susie Churchill with XL-Realty came before the council to ask if the city would be interested in acquiring property just east of the ball fields. There’s 6.5 acres of undeveloped land, and it is zoned as commercial property. Mayor Jones will look over this information.

Mayor Jones wanted the council to know they can still register for the Montana League of Cities and Towns annual conference in Bozeman October 7-9th .

Mayor Jones will advocate for a Good Samaritan law at the league meeting in Bozeman. John Perrella is unsure if the conditions will allow for fireworks at the homecoming celebration. He will discuss more with the fire chief.

Attorney Lundvall not present.

Compliance Personnel Bruce Hoiland gave an oral report. The school is making progress, and they will be coming to ask for a site permit soon. Earlier today he met with the Fire Marshal Sally McKenna earlier today. Bruce would like to see a fire access road on the north and east side of the school. He also mentioned that the codes require all newly developed lots to have curb and gutter around the whole property, and the school plans do not show that. Schladweiler said the school needs to ask for a variance. Bruce also has questions about the diversion dikes in place.

The proposed SID is on hold due to a conflict of property ownership.

Greg Lukasik with Great West Engineering is here to answer any questions the council has on the school construction plans. Great West reviewed all the plans and made comments to the school’s engineers. The have complied with all comments. Sally McKenna will resolve all fire code issues.

Greg gave an update on Phase 3 of the water project. So far we have secured $500,000 from the Coal Board in funding. We have not heard on the funding from CDBG. If the city does not receive all funding, the project will be cut back. We should be ready to bid the project by the end of the month.

The treasurer’s report is available for any council members who would like a copy.

Director Sibley called a surveyor regarding the Fawcett property. He is waiting for a call back.

Council Action Items: Approval of school plans-no action necessary.

Street & Alley Closures- Schladweiler moved to close 5th Street East north from 11th Avenue East to existing city limits, and the alleys between 4th Street East and 5th Street East North from 11th Avenue East. Seconded by Martin. Opposed by Picchioni. Motion carries.

Picchioni asked why we would not close all the roads proposed in the petition. Sibley responded with he does not know the process to reopen the roads. He has heard concerns from property owners on the proposed closures.

Public Comment: Diane Casper would prefer to leave all roads open until there is a need to be closed and discuss them at that time. Her business would be affected if all the closures were done.

Resolution #1046 A Resolution, resolving the interest of the City of Roundup participate in the Snowy Mountain Development Corporation, a regional economic development entity established for a six county area of central Montana, to develop human, capital, infrastructure, community, business, and natural resources, and improve the economic and employment opportunities for the benefit of all citizens in the area. Moved by Schladweiler, seconded by Ramsey. All in favor, motion carried.

The garbage committee met regarding the purchase of new dumpsters. LaPierre moved to proceed with the purchase with $25,000 coming out of the garbage depreciation fund and the remainder from the capital improvement fund. The garbage fund will pay the capital improvement fund back over time. Seconded by Griffith. All in favor. Motion carried.

The wages and salaries committee met regarding the pay grade schedule. Sibley and Olsen were at the last step in their appropriate grade. The committee recommends adding steps to all grades ending at step 20. They currently stop at 12. Schladweiler suggested placing every employee at their appropriate step according to longevity if not already done. Longevity is based on years of service. Moved by Schladweiler, seconded by Ramsey to adjust the pay grade to continue to step 20. All in favor. Motion carried.

Moved by Schladweiler, seconded by Martin to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Martin commented that he appreciates the public attending the council meetings.

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Tanya Lanter – Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED BY\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sandra Jones - Mayor

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Violet Olsen– Assistant Clerk