Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lava Hot Springs, Idaho held Monday, February 3, 2010 at 5:30 p.m., Lava City Hall, 115 West Elm Street, Lava Hot Springs, Idaho.

Present:
Marshall N. Burgin, Mayor
Canda L. Dimick, City Clerk
Rita Anderson, Council member
Phillip Beeson, Councilman
Newton J. Lowe, Councilman
Cathy Sher, Council member

Guests: Mike Vice, Jeff Mansfield & Bryan Phinney (Keller Associates)

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Review and Award Wastewater System Improvement Phase 1 Bid**

Bryan Phinney, Keller Associates, walked through the recommendation of award. Lowest bid was $1,518,932 from Kilroy, LLC, Alpine, Wyoming. Jeff Mansfield has evaluated the bid. Kilroy is a licensed Public Works Contractor in Idaho. A list of sub contractors was reviewed. Keller’s has checked all the contractor license numbers for the sub contractors which are in good standings. Receipt of addendum was acknowledged and in order. The bid bond is in place for 5%. All required forms for bidding were in order and signed. Kilroy provided a list of all proposed sub contractors and suppliers. Keller Associates did bid as a subcontractor for the survey work. A survey of the project is required but it is not required that the contractor use the project design engineering firm. Keller Associates did competitively for the survey work. Keller Associates has reviewed all the bid documents to insure that all documents and licenses are in ordered. Kilroy meets the requirements of the bid documents. Keller Associates recommended awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, Kilroy, LLC.

A motion was made by Councilman Beeson and seconded by Councilman Lowe granting the mayor authority to sign the notice of award awarding Kilroy, LLC the contract for the sewer improvement phase 1 project. All voted aye, unanimous.

Bryan Phinney stated that the budget for phase 1 of the project was 4.3 million. The project was awarded at 1.5 million. The city may be adding change orders to utilize the additional .5% funding. Susan Lorenz of SICOG is running the numbers to determine the best use of the funding (USDA, DEQ or both).

The mayor signed the Notice of Award. Jeff Mansfield reported that the contractor is excited to get started. The contractor is an AAA contractor so his bonding capacity is over 5 million.

The environmental document requirements were reviewed. Best case scenario for a construction start date is March, worst case is May. DEQ will not release funding until the environmental document is cleared. Keller’s recommend that until the environmental...
document clears DEQ that, the city does not allow the contractor on site. The city clerk reported that the water normally goes into the irrigation canal on April 15th. Bryan Phinney said that there are things that the contractor can do to keep the water flowing down the canal and still pipe the ditch but it will require a change order.

SICOG is working on the environmental documents. Bryan Phinney said that if an archeological study is required that the city request that SICOG find someone who can get it done fast. Jeff Mansfield spoke to Cass at SICOG today. She said that where the new site is so close to the previously proposed site the archeological survey should not be different. There is a concern that the old farm house may be classified as historical.

Bryan Phinney stated that it was a surprise when he received the phone call from DEQ asking for the environmental documents. SICOG has said that they will expedite the process. Push needs to be done to get it completed.

DEQ is OK with the city signing construction contracts and notice to proceed so that the DEQ funding is tied up. Land purchase documents will be signed Tuesday, February 9, 2010. The construction contract is schedule to be signed on Monday, February 15, 2010. The notice to proceed will be signed after the environmental document is finished.

A motion was made by Council member Anderson and seconded by Council member Sher authorizing Mayor Burgin to execute the construction contract and the notice to proceed when appropriate and everything is worked out with SICOG. All voted aye, unanimous.

The snow needs to be gone to complete the archeology study. Letters are going out soliciting agency response immediately. The contractor wants to start March 1, 2010.

Bryan Phinney walked through the environmental process with the council. It looks like the earliest start date would be May 1st. SICOG is working with DEQ to make the case that the properties are nearly conjoining and an environmental was done on the other property; therefore it is reasonable to assume that if there was no artifacts found on the other property, there wouldn’t be any found on this property.

The good news is that there is no wet land on the property. The one concern is the farm house’s historical value. If modifications have been done to the house, it may be considered as having no historical value.

**Ice & Snow**

Council member Sher expressed concerns about the ice forming along the sides of the streets and the crowd that is expected for the Fire and Ice Festival. She requested that the city crew lay down more sand before the big event. Councilmen Beeson reported that the sander is broken down. The Mayor suggested that the crew may need to spread some sand by hand. The Mayor and Councilman Beeson will talk with the crew tomorrow. Councilman Beeson said that the brakes have gone out on the sander. He thought that CAT was to have all the brakes gone through the sander last year. Evidently only one
side was done and now the other side is gone. It is supposed to snow through the weekend. The mayor and Councilman Beeson will see what can be done.

Councilman Beeson was excused.

The mayor thanked Keller Associates for meeting DEQ’s deadlines.

Adjournment
A motion was made by Council member Sher to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lowe. All voted aye, unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.