# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE City Council Chambers 140 W. Pine MISSOULA MONTANA March 21, 2011, After Council Meeting

Members present: Ed Childers, President; Stacy Rye, Vice President; Dick Haines, Cynthia Wolken,

Renee Mitchell, Jason Wiener, Jon Wilkins, Lyn Hellegaard, Marilyn Marler, Bob

Jaffe, Dave Strohmaier, and Pam Walzer

Members absent: None

Others present: Marty Rehbein

### I. Administrative Business

A. Minutes of the March 16, 2011 meeting
The minutes will be approved at a later date.

## II. Public Comment on items not listed on the agenda

There was no public comment.

## III. Regular Agenda

A. <u>Mayor's Update – Ongoing in Committee. (Mayor Engen)</u> There was no update.

B. <u>Updates from Council representatives on the Health Board, Community Forum, Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee (TPCC), other boards and commissions as necessary. – (Ongoing in Committee)</u>

Health Board

Ms. Mitchell said the board met Thursday. Dr. Tom Roberts, the new physician member of the board, was welcomed. The board heard an update about the gray water regulations. The health board approved an amendment to the health regulations, a letter to go to Max Baucus to support residency program for new physicians in Missoula, and the preliminary budget requests to the city for Health and Animal Control.

## Community Forum

Mr. Wilkins said he missed last month's meeting. He said there are some exciting things coming up. There will be a potluck and celebration of the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of neighborhood councils. There is an advisory panel on the Neighborhood Liaison position. There are many Neighborhood Council meetings this week. He encouraged City Council members to attend these meetings.

Pam asked if they have discussed Neighborhood Councils who haven't held meetings. The Liaison advisory panel has been discussing it.

## **TPCC**

Mr. Wiener said the President has indicated the federal government will fund transportation at current levels. There are recommendations from the committee on sidewalks and what resources are available. He encouraged City Council to review the Missoula Active Transportation Plan draft which will before City Council for approval soon. There will be a travel demand model study coming up. This travel demand model will provide information to city council as they consider policies relating to land use and transportation. During the discussion of the CIP he is going to ask OPG Transportation to come and give some information to Council members. The CIP and the Transportation Plan need to be in agreement.

Mr. Wiener announced he is resigning from the Missoula Civic Television Advisory Commission to serve on TPCC.

### **Employee Benefits Committee**

Ms. Wolken said the committee was updated on what's going on at the legislature and nationally with health care. It doesn't look that there are any impacts to the city's health plan as a result of these changes.

# **LEPC**

Ms. Walzer announced Bob Reid has retired and his position hasn't been filled yet. The Emergency Operation Plan is drafted for comment. They are hoping to finalize it soon and bring to the City Council and County for approval in the future. There was information about flooding and when residents need to procure flood insurance. It takes 30 days to become effective.

# IV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marty Rehbein City Clerk