

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, March 5, 2014
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Larry Johnson

Council Members:

Council Chairman Kristie Overson
Vice-Chairman Ernest Burgess
Council Member Daniel Armstrong
Council Member Dama Barbour
Council Member Brad Christopherson

City Staff:

John Taylor City Administrator
John Brems, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Donald Adams, Economic Development Director
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief
Mike Kelsey, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator

BRIEFING SESSION

1. Review Administrative Report

6:04:59 PM Chairman Kristie Overson conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:04 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present except Council Member Burgess who was expected soon. Chair Overson called for questions on the Administrative Report.

6:05:51 PM Council Member Barbour inquired about information on the upcoming *Day of Service* event. She noted that service is being scheduled through Community Councils; however, Community Councils are not up and operating in her District 4. She asked what she should do to

prepare for the event. City Administrator John Taylor inquired about service needed in that area. He stated that if there are suggestions for areas of focus, Neighborhood Services Coordinator Rhetta McIff can help facilitate service efforts. Council Member Barbour agreed to touch base with Ms. McIff.

2. Review Agenda

6:07:16 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. It was noted that the CDBG matter is simply a public hearing and no action or adoption is needed at this time; however, the resolution for approving CDBG funding will be brought back in two weeks. It was relayed that Ordinance No. 14-04 will be tabled, pending an additional amendment needed.

6:10:11 PM Chair Overson questioned which Council Members will be attending the Utah League of Cities and Towns Conference in April. Council Member Dan Armstrong indicated that he may not be able to be there.

3. Adjourn

6:12:15 PM Chair Overson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Mike Kelsey, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Marsha Thomas, Judge
Tess Faulkner, Clerk of the Court
Rhetta McIff, Neighborhood Services Coordinator

Citizens: Jasey Wyatt, Spencer Braithwaite, John Gidney, Scouts from Troop 394, Royce Larsen, Pam Roberts, Kevyn Smeltzer, Marin McIff, Lynn Handy, Daryl Gudmundson, Brent Garside, Danielle Latta, Kellie Mieremet, John Hadlock, Joan White, Candy Caballero, Roger Borgenicht, Steve Fauschou, Jaimie Dunn, Gana Hasanbegonic, Cheyenne Bradshaw, Jay Baden, Jan Carter, Tabb George, Mary Cranney

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Chairman Kristie Overson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge of Allegiance -*Youth Council*

Youth Council Member Cheyenne Bradshaw directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Reverence – *Youth Council* (Opening Ceremonies For March 19, 2014 to be arranged by Council Chair Overson)

Youth Council Mayor Spencer Braithwaite offered the Reverence and gave a quote from Thomas Edison.

Chair Barbour recognized scouts from Troop #394, who were in attendance.

1.3 Mayor's Report

Mayor Lawrence Johnson gave an update on current City business. He relayed that Jim Taney has retired and will be replaced by Mark Daley, as caretaker of the Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Center. The Mayor also reported that Tiffany Janzen has been hired as the City's new Public Information Officer (PIO), replacing Aimee Newton. Mayor Johnson stated that Scott Harrington has accepted the position of Assistant City Manager for the City and is also the City's Chief Financial Officer (CFO). The Mayor reported that Donald Adams has resigned and Wayne Harper has accepted the position of Economic Development Director. The Mayor stated his excitement over recent changes at City Hall and cited intent to keep working hard and moving forward.

1.4 Citizen Comments

Chairman Kristie Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. She then called for any citizen comments. She noted that those who plan to speak regarding CDBG

funding will be given that opportunity later in the meeting during the public hearing specific to CDBG matters.

There were no citizen comments at this time, and Chairman Overson closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 Traci Jones - Historic Preservation Committee Appointment - Chair Kristie Overson

Chair Kristie Overson nominated Traci Jones to serve as a member of the Taylorsville Historic Preservation Committee.

Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to appoint Traci Jones as a member of the Historic Preservation Committee. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3. REPORTS

3.1 Youth Council Report - Jasey Wyatt

6:38:17 PM Youth Council Chair Jasey Wyatt reported on recent activities and upcoming events for the Taylorsville Youth Council. She cited the recent *Day at the Legislature* attended by Youth Council Members. She indicated that this was a great opportunity to observe the government at work and meet local legislators. Ms. Wyatt relayed that the Youth Council also helped with the Annual Taylorsville Art Show and referenced the great artistic talent found in Taylorsville. She said Youth Council Members are now gearing up for their annual Youth Council Conference at Utah State University, where service projects and ideas for service opportunities will be presented. She illustrated the Youth Council's display that will be taken to the conference and shared with other Youth Councils in the State.

6:40:03 PM Council Member Dama Barbour commended Ms. Wyatt for her great report and said it was an honor to participate with the Taylorsville Youth Council at the *Day at the Legislature* event.

6:40:06 PM Mayor Johnson reported that he was extremely impressed with the local talent displayed at the recent Art Show.

Council Member Ernest Burgess thanked Taylorsville Youth Council Members for making a difference.

3.2 Court Report - Judge Marsha Thomas

6:41:12 PM Judge Marsha Thomas reported on recent activities in the Taylorsville Justice Court for the period of July 1, 2013 – February 14, 2014. She reviewed statistics regarding case filings, case types, etc. Judge Thomas discussed Court revenue and expenses data, as contained in the packet report.

6:46:07 PM Judge Thomas reviewed current court projects, as follows: streamlining the document monetary collection process; transitioning to all electronic case files and document management; analyzing/decreasing postage costs; improving electronic communication with the public (i.e. webpage phone information); continuing to increase employee training opportunities; and updating security cameras and emergency information.

6:51:05 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong inquired about Court revenues versus expenses and asked how that difference is made up. CFO Scott Harrington explained that there is usually a difference between Court revenue and expense and that loss comes out of the General Fund.

6:52:27 PM Chair Kristie Overson commended the Judge and Court Clerks for their tremendous efforts. She also thanked Judge Thomas for the fine program she has implemented for groups of young people who want to observe the Court. Judge Thomas noted that this year two student-body officers from Kearns High School are participating in the *Court Observation Program*.

3.3 Public Works Report - Kevyn Smeltzer

6:54:39 PM Kevyn Smeltzer, of Salt Lake County Public Works, reported on public works services provided in Taylorsville during the previous quarter. He distributed a handout on services rendered by Salt Lake County Public Works Operations, and cited the following services: road maintenance; snow removal; sign fabrication and maintenance; road/crosswalk striping; school zone lights installation and maintenance; traffic signal construction and maintenance; landscape maintenance; weed control; ADA ramps; emergency response; storm drain maintenance; speed studies and traffic counts; and miscellaneous maintenance work. Mr. Smeltzer noted that other services available from Salt Lake County Public Works include concrete sidewalk/gutter construction and street sweeping.

Mr. Smeltzer called for any questions from the Council on the expense report provided in the packet or on services provided.

6:58:09 PM Council Member Dama Barbour inquired whether the City owns a street sweeper. City Administrator John Taylor confirmed that Taylorsville is part-owner of a street sweeper with Cottonwood Heights and Holladay. Council Member Barbour noted that City streets look good. She also thanked Mr. Smeltzer for the efforts of the Public Works Department.

3.4 Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling Report - Pam Roberts

6:58:32 PM Pam Roberts, of the Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District (WFWRD), reported on recent sanitation services provided in Taylorsville. She relayed that on March 17, 2014 the District is rolling out the curb-side subscription Green Waste Program, which is available to all residents of Taylorsville who subscribe. She noted that the year-end report being reviewed is for the 2013 calendar year. She pointed out the variety of services provided by the District and cited cost savings as a result of waste diversion.

6:59:54 PM Ms. Roberts referenced the recent 2014 fee increase, which was implemented with great reluctance, but was necessary to sustain service levels following an increase to dumping fees (raised this year to \$5 per ton). She discussed services provided; i.e. weekly garbage and recycling pickup services, the trailer rental program, the annual area cleanup program, the leaf bag program, curbside Christmas tree pickup, and glass recycling. She noted that the District also collects e-waste at their office building in Midvale and provides vouchers to residents for the landfill. Ms. Roberts reported that 142,000 tons of waste was collected from the 81,000 homes in the District.

7:01:23 PM Ms. Roberts discussed the District's customer service history, billing satisfaction ratings, employee satisfaction statistics, and goals. She reviewed diversion rates for recyclables, green waste, and glass. She illustrated comparisons for 2012 and 2013. She discussed cost benefits to recycling and collecting green waste.

7:02:35 PM Ms. Roberts announced that Council Member Dama Barbour has been elected as Vice-Chair of the WFWRD Board. Ms. Roberts gave details on the subscription Green Waste Program starting in Taylorsville. She stated that the Area Cleanup Program in Taylorville will run from June 9 to July 9, 2014. She announced that Supervisor Paul Arnold is retiring after many years of service.

7:02:35 PM Council Member Barbour cited appreciation she has gained through her service on the WFWRD Board and thanked the District for the sanitation services that are provided.

7:02:35 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson called for explanation on how recycling saves money in the long run. Ms. Roberts cited landfills that are quickly reaching capacity and reverenced prohibitive costs for opening another landfill in the valley. She also described benefits of the Green Waste Program.

7:02:35 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong inquired about the glass recycling program. Ms. Roberts relayed that there are two large containers located by the Taylorsville Senior Center and near the Salt Lake Community College. Council Member Armstrong questioned how citizens are being made aware of the opportunity to subscribe to the Green Waste Program. Ms. Roberts relayed that notes were sent out to every household in the District as part of the newsletter and there are signs available to post in yards. She said that education on the program is also being presented to schools and scout groups.

7:02:35 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess inquired whether improvement with recycling has been seen over the last year. Ms. Roberts confirmed that there has been an improvement of 100 tons over last year's recycling amounts. She said that the recycle clean rate is in the 90th percentile.

7:02:35 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong cited successful efforts in his own home to recycle.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – CCWS 02-12-14 & RCCM 02-19-14

7:02:35 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

6.1 ***Public Hearing - 6:30 p.m. - To Receive Public Comment on Funding Priorities for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Programs - Kathy Ricci***

7:02:35 PM CDBG Consultant Kathy Ricci explained that CDBG and HOME Funds are awarded to Taylorsville annually. She noted that the application process began in November/December, 2013. She explained that entities who have applied for funds will present needs during this scheduled public hearing and will address any questions from the Council. She

said that Taylorsville's total funding allocation is not yet known, but a slight decrease in funding is expected so numbers presented are conservative.

Chair Overson opened the public hearing on CDBG funding requests and called for citizen comments.

Danielle Latta, of the YMCA, stated that they work with six elementary schools serving over 500 children. She issued an invitation to a *Pancake Breakfast* on Friday, March 7, 2014.

7:02:35 PM Jaimie Dunn, from the Boys and Girls Club, cited their Murray location that serves 300 youth per day. She noted that children served are from low income families and single-parent homes. She described daycare and pre-school programs and reported that about 100 Taylorsville children are served per day.

7:33:37 PM Roger Borgenicht, of ASSIST, described their non-profit community design center. He explained that ASSIST provides emergency repairs and accessibility assessment and design, installs preventative safety features in homes, and renders free home assessments. He reported that 56 critical home repairs were done last year in Taylorsville. He noted that ASSIST uses local licensed contractors and said that the average income of families assisted is about \$16,000 per year. He expressed appreciation for Taylorsville's support and added that 82% of those served are 62 or older.

7:36:46 PM Mary Cranney, of the Legal Aid Society of Salt Lake, relayed that theirs is a first time request to Taylorsville for vital support for Taylorsville residents. She said that their agency provides low-cost legal aid to residents of Salt Lake County. She explained that they are asking for \$5,000 to support the DIVA Program for domestic violence victims. She cited statistics and information on domestic violence. She stated that the purpose of the DIVA program is to break the cycle on every level. She asked for support for Taylorsville residents and said 161 of those recently served were from Taylorsville. She described other legal services offered through the Legal Aid Society.

7:49:27 PM Kelly Mieremet, of the Family Support Center, stated that they are a local non-profit house in Taylorsville focusing on child abuse prevention and treatment services. She said that nearly 5,000 vulnerable families are served annually with free and low-cost services, i.e. crisis nurseries. She listed other services provided, as follows: counseling, free in-home parenting support, community education classes, and support groups. She reported that Taylorsville had 252 confirmed child abuse victims last year. She relayed that funds are being requested to help maintain their Taylorsville building, which is in need of major repairs. She thanked Mayor Johnson for recently visiting the facility.

7:50:56 PM Jay Bladen, of Community Development Corporation of Utah, described their program that offers down-payment assistance to low income and first-time home buyers. He said that the most calls for assistance come from the Taylorsville area. He noted that private funds are raised to supplement public funds. He cited great success in the past in helping citizens obtain home ownership

7:52:38 PM Jan Carter, Coordinator at Odyssey House, cited 12 different programs. She reported that Odyssey House has an Adult Program that serves 92 men and women in a 100-year old building. She cited repairs and updates needed to that building. She distributed pictures of offices and bedrooms, showing new piping needed. She referenced 14 people served from Taylorsville who had favorable outcomes.

7:56:11 PM Tabb George, Partnership Director of Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Utah, described one-to-one mentoring programs program offered at Vista Elementary to under-privileged children. He described benefits to the program that are seen, i.e. improving academic scores, decreasing truancy from school, transitioning to gainfully employed adults, reducing drug problems, etc. He reported that 211 children were served in Taylorsville last year, with a one-to-one caring, supportive adult mentor. He noted that expenses are mostly attributed to the extensive screening process for mentor matches.

7:59:21 PM Celeste Eggert, of the Road Home Shelter, thanked the Council for its past support. She stated that the Road Home is the largest homeless shelter in Utah, serving 700 to 800 people per night at the year-round downtown shelter. She cited the winter shelter in Midvale that serves up to 1200 people per night during cold months. She said that no one is ever turned away. She cited a housing placement success rate of 87%. She indicated that funding is being requested to help support the downtown main shelter.

8:00:53 PM There were no additional comments and Chair Overson declared the public hearing closed.

8:01:22 PM Council Chair Overson observed that the City Council will be making a decision on official CDBG funding allocations in two weeks time.

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 **Ordinance No. 14-04 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.40 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances - Animal Control Enforcement** **- John Brems**

8:02:13 PM Chair Overson noted that there is some additional work to be done on Ordinance 14-04 and there is a need to table the matter at this time.

8:02:34 PM Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to table Ordinance No. 14-04 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.40 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances. Council Member Brad Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

There were no new items for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

8:03:19 PM

- 9.1 **Planning Commission Meeting - Tuesday, March 11, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 **City Council Work Session - Wednesday, March 12, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.3 **City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, March 19, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.4 **City Council Meeting - Wednesday, March 19, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

8:03:37 PM

- 10.1 **City-Wide "Day of Service" - April 26, 2014 - For more information visit www.taylorsvilleut.gov**
- 10.2 **Taylorsville Dayzz - June 26-28, 2014 - Valley Regional Park - For more information visit www.taylorsvilledayzz.com**

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

- 11.1 **Strategy Session to Discuss the Sale or Purchase of Real Property**

It was determined that a Closed Session was not needed and no Closed Meeting was held.

12. ADJOURNMENT

8:05:04 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to amend the agenda, dispense with the Closed Session, and adjourn the City Council Meeting at this time. Council Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 03-19-14

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