

**City of Taylorsville**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
*Minutes*

**Wednesday, April 20, 2016**  
**Council Chambers**  
**2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140**  
**Taylorsville, Utah 84129**

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**BRIEFING SESSION**

**Attendance:**

Mayor Lawrence Johnson

**Council Members:**

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

**City Staff:**

John Taylor, City Administrator  
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney  
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder  
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer

**Excused:** Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator; Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer;  
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director

**5:30 – 6:00 P.M. – LIVE SOCIAL MEDIA QUESTION AND ANSWER WITH THE CITY COUNCIL**

City Council Members were available to address online questions from residents via social media. No questions were presented.

**6:00 BRIEFING SESSION**

**1. Roll Call of Council Members**

[6:02:08 PM](#) Chairman Ernest Burgess conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:02 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

## 2. Review Agenda

[6:02:20 PM](#) The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed.

[6:04:21 PM](#) Council Member Dama Barbour asked for clarification on the City van that it is being sold. City Administrator John Taylor explained that the van referenced was previously used as the code enforcement van, but it has had issues and is not currently being used.

[6:05:39 PM](#) Council Member Dama Barbour recognized Barbara Riddle as the new CEO of ChamberWest.

## 3. Adjourn

Chairman Burgess declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

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## REGULAR MEETING

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Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney  
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer  
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief  
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder  
Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director  
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Battalion Chief

**Excused:** Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator; Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer; Mark McGrath, Community Development Director

**Others:** Lee Bennion, Connie Taney, Oanh Le-Spradlin, Katie Kourianos, Jolene Dearden, Larry Hiller, Barbara Riddle, Royce Larsen, Anna Barbieri, John Gidney, Todd Phillips, Members of the Salt Lake Community College Basketball Team, Zach Cox, Scouts from Troops 3589 and 849

## **1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

[6:30:07 PM](#) Chairman Ernest Burgess called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

### **1.1 Roll Call of Council Members**

[6:30:28 PM](#) City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

### **1.2 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge/Reverence – *Council Member Overson (Opening Ceremonies for May 4, 2016 to be arranged by Council Chair Burgess)***

[6:30:50 PM](#) Zach Cox, from Scout Troop 3589, directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

[6:31:54 PM](#) Community Council 2A Vice-Chair Jolene Dearden offered the Reverence.

### **1.3 Mayor's Report**

[6:33:21 PM](#) Mayor Lawrence Johnson welcomed Coach Todd Phillips and members of the Championship Bruins Basketball Team from Salt Lake Community College. The Mayor congratulated the team on their recent national championship title and shared player statistics from the championship game. The Mayor described the team's journey to the tournament title.

[6:37:00 PM](#) Coach Phillips introduced individual team members and presented the game ball to the Mayor. Photos were taken with team members and elected officials.

### **1.4 Citizen Comments**

[6:40:41 PM](#) Chairman Ernest Burgess reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. He then called for any citizen comments.

[6:40:44 PM](#) Larry Hiller, of Community Council 2A, discussed needed improvements at Vista Park. He relayed that the Community Council has met with the Parks and Recreation Department to discuss options for playground equipment.

There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Burgess closed the citizen comment period.

[6:43:03 PM](#) Chair Burgess recognized scouts in attendance from Troop 3589 and Troop 849.

[6:44:38 PM](#) Chair Burgess also recognized three members of the Eisenhower Jr. High student body in attendance.

## **2. APPOINTMENTS**

There were no appointments.

## **3. REPORTS**

### **3.1 Cemetery Board Annual Report – *Lee Bennion***

[6:45:09 PM](#) Lee Bennion presented an annual report from the Taylorsville Cemetery Board. He thanked the City for its support. He relayed that roughly 1,250 cemetery spaces are still available for sale. He reported that there were 45 burials last year and sales are up 14 so far this calendar year. He cited two trucks that have needed repairs, but indicated that the cemetery's backhoe and mower are in pretty good shape. He described an infestation of muskrats on the west side of the canal bank and said traps have been set by the Canal Company.

[6:47:10 PM](#) Mr. Bennion cited a new memorial picture located near the bridge in the cemetery. He relayed that it is a picture of Michael McGowan, who is the boy who built the bridge.

[6:47:46 PM](#) Mr. Bennion discussed efforts to keep dirt levels as low as possible. He described work to combat dandelions. He referenced a needed budget increase for landscaping improvements in the cemetery and indicated that he will talk to Scott Harrington about such. Mr. Bennion reported that the water was turned on in the cemetery on April 15<sup>th</sup> and everything is going well at the property.

[6:49:27 PM](#) Council Member Kristie Overson thanked Mr. Bennion for the care he gives the cemetery. She expressed satisfaction with the cemetery information that is available online. Mr. Bennion noted that the information is also connected to the State Historical Society.

[6:50:18 PM](#) Council Member Dama Barbour also thanked Mr. Bennion for his work at the cemetery and Chair Burgess added his appreciation.

### **3.2 Historic Preservation Committee Report – *Connie Taney***

[6:50:51 PM](#) Committee Chair Connie Taney reported on recent activities and upcoming events for the Historic Preservation Committee.

[6:51:50 PM](#) Ms. Taney expressed appreciation for funding of the new roof provided on the original dairy barn and also for the repair of the covered irrigation ditch in the driveway under the “Jones Dairy” arches.

[6:52:43 PM](#) Ms. Taney described the Pumpkin Patch area that has been tilled by a volunteer in anticipation of growing food for the animals. She also discussed plans to use donations made in honor of her late husband Jim Taney. She relayed that a nice plaque in Mr. Taney’s memory will be placed on the front of the Blacksmith Shop that he designed and created. The remaining funds will be used to make the gas lights in front of the museum operable.

[6:55:57 PM](#) Ms. Taney reviewed statistics for volunteer hours donated at the Heritage Center.

[6:56:56 PM](#) Ms. Taney listed photos, archival materials, and library books that have been catalogued using information gathered through the ZAP grant. She stated that success at the museum is attributed to the many volunteers who serve there. She expressed gratitude for City support.

[6:57:40 PM](#) Council Member Dama Barbour thanked Ms. Taney for all she does and asked about any new baby piglets that have been born. Ms. Taney relayed that the piglets have not been born yet, but are expected soon. She referenced baby goats that were born recently.

[6:58:33 PM](#) Council Member Brad Christopherson thanked both Ms. Taney and Joan White for their hard work. He noted that his own children have greatly enjoyed visiting the farm.

[6:59:06 PM](#) Council Member Kristie Overson added her appreciation and stated that she really enjoys working as an advisor to the Historic Preservation Committee.

Chair Burgess expressed his gratitude for the enthusiasm demonstrated by Ms. Taney.

### **3.3 UDOT I-215 Construction 2016/2017 Report** **– Oanh Le-Spradlin, UDOT Project Manager**

[7:00:59 PM](#) UDOT Project Manager Oanh Le-Spradlin rendered a video presentation showing an update on UDOT’s I-215 Construction Project for 2016/2017.

[7:02:50 PM](#) Ms. Le-Spradlin called for any questions from the Council regarding the project.

[7:03:18 PM](#) Council Member Kristie Overson inquired about the time frame for working on different areas of the project. Ms. Le-Spradlin gave clarification on plans for construction at sporadic areas. She indicated that the portion between 300 East and Redwood Road will be completed during the first year. She said the beginning of that construction will be seen in two

weeks. She stated that construction to build a temporary bridge will also begin on S.R. 201 right away. She indicated that the first phase along 4700 South will involve widening and temporary paving. She explained how traffic direction will be phased and noted that not all ramps will be worked on at once. Ms. Le-Spradlin acknowledged that work will be seen on 4700 South later this year and also next spring.

[7:04:52 PM](#) Council Member Overson asked for further clarification on the timing of work on 4700 South. Ms. Le-Spradlin stated that contractors cannot work simultaneously, so the UDOT contractor will wait until after the resurfacing project is complete in about mid-July.

### **3.4 ULCT Mid-Year Conference Report – *City Council Members***

[7:06:14 PM](#) Council Member Dama Barbour shared highlights from the ULCT Mid-Year Conference recently held in St. George, Utah. She described two sessions that she really enjoyed, i.e. (1) the Land Use Class; and (2) the Budgeting for the Outcome Class.

[7:08:19 PM](#) Council Member Kristie Overson indicated that she was also very interested in the two classes described by Council Member Barbour. She observed that it was a very worthwhile conference. She noted that she enjoyed meeting and visiting with council members from other cities and said the conference presented a valuable networking opportunity. She relayed that she found the general sessions very interesting. Council Member Overson said she also enjoyed the presentation by Lt. Governor Spencer Cox, the information on the homeless community presented by Gail Miller, and the presentation by Nick Jarvis on the clustering of cities. She relayed that Taylorsville was grouped in the category/classification of commercial centers. She referenced the good presentation on “Distracted Innovation” and expressed gratitude to Taylorsville PIO Tiffany Janzen for getting the word out on the street about Taylorsville.

[7:11:33 PM](#) Chair Burgess said he appreciated the presentation by the State Auditor and realizes the importance of having checks and balances. He stated that he was also impressed with the Land Use Class. He expressed appreciation for the way ULCT keeps cities updated with important information. He also stated that he liked the topic of “Keeping the Right People in Critical Positions.” Chair Burgess observed that the ULCT Conference was a very worthwhile conference and he hopes to be able to implement what was learned in Taylorsville.

## **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **4.1 Minutes for 03-16-16 City Council Meeting**

[7:14:32 PM](#) Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Ernest Burgess called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as

follows: Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-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 Resolution No. 16-14 – Approving the Surplus of City Property (City Van) - John Taylor

[7:15:04 PM](#) City Administrator John Taylor explained that the City's white 2006 Chevrolet Astro Van is no longer needed and the City would, therefore, like to sell it. He called for consideration of the subject resolution to declare the van as surplus and set a minimum bid. He explained that the van was used in Code Enforcement for a number of years, but officers are now using smaller pickups that are more desirable. He asked that the surplus amount be set with a minimum of \$2,500, but said Administration will try and get the most money possible for the van.

[7:16:20 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adopt Resolution 16-14 – Approving the Surplus of City Property (City Van). Council Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Ernest Burgess called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

## 7. OTHER MATTERS

[7:16:43 PM](#) Council Member Brad Christopherson cited landscaping around the gateway sign on Redwood Road and said it looks wonderful. He also relayed that consent was received from neighboring landowners to proceed with an improvement project on 6200 South. He indicated that he has heard from Dean Paynter who is willing to help with improvements on 6200 South and 2200 West.

[7:18:06 PM](#) Council Member Overson thanked Council Member Armstrong for his leadership and efforts in connection with the "Remember Me Garden."

[7:18:33 PM](#) Council Member Dama Barbour asked about any news concerning the General Plan Update. City Administrator John Taylor said there is significant progress on the update and the Council should see it in the next couple of weeks for preliminary review.

[7:19:08 PM](#) Council Member Barbour inquired whether a decision was ever made on a Taylorsville Dayzz parade vehicle for City Council Members. Council Member Dan Armstrong relayed that he has contact with a Taylorsville gentleman who owns many nicely restored older vehicles. The consensus of the Council was to have Council Member Armstrong pursue that option. Council Member Barbour questioned whether a driver would be needed. Council Member Armstrong noted that the previously used 1932 Ford pickup is still available, as well.

[7:21:22 PM](#) Council Member Barbour expressed concern about the condition of the float vehicle. Mr. Taylor relayed that money is saved in the budget for maintenance of that vehicle and efforts will be made to ensure it is running.

[7:22:01 PM](#) Chair Burgess asked Council Member Armstrong to follow up on the restored vehicles and see what is available. Council Member Armstrong agreed to arrange for the vehicles needed.

[7:22:25 PM](#) Chair Burgess questioned whether there is a decision on the Taylorsville Dayzz float. Mr. Taylor confirmed that four of five Council Members liked the “20<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party Celebration” theme (with the cake) for the float.

## **8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)**

There were no new items for subsequent consideration.

## **9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)**

[7:23:32 PM](#)

- 9.1 City Council Social Media/Briefing Session – Wednesday, May 4, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.**
- 9.2 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, May 4, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.3 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, May 10, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.4 City Council Social Media/Briefing Session – Wednesday, May 18, 2016 - 5:30 p.m.**
- 9.5 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, May 18, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.6 Mayor’s Town Hall Meeting – Wednesday, May 25, 2016 – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

## **10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

[7:24:27 PM](#)

- 10.1 *Annual Earth Day Collection Event: Saturday, April 23, 2016: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at City Hall. See City Website for More Information at [www.taylorsvilleut.gov](http://www.taylorsvilleut.gov)***

- 10.2 ***Taylorsville Arts Council Presents: Auditions for “Seven Brides for Seven Brothers:” Thursday, April 28 and 29, 2016: 7:00 p.m. Taylorsville City Hall***
- 10.3 ***Taylorsville Salt Lake Community College Symphony Orchestra Present a Free Spring Concert: Friday, April 29, 2016: 7:30 p.m.: Bennion Junior High (6055 South 2700 West)***
- 10.4 ***Prescription and Outdated Drug Disposal – Saturday, April 30, 2016: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Taylorsville City Hall***
- 10.5 ***A Cleaner, Greener, Healthier Taylorsville Service Project: May 20, 2016 through June 20, 2016. See City Website for More Information at [www.taylorsvilleut.gov](http://www.taylorsvilleut.gov)***
- 10.6 ***“Remember Me Garden” Dedication Ceremony – Monday, May 30, 2016: Taylorsville Senior Center Located at 4743 South Plymouth View Drive – See City Website for More Information***

UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant confirmed that used prescription drugs will be received by UPD during the Earth Day Collection event on April 23, 2016 and again on April 30, 2016.

**11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)**  
*- For the Purpose(s) Described in Statute U.C.A. 52-4-205*

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

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

7:26:38 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council Meeting. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Ernest Burgess called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

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Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 05-18-2016

*Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder*