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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, January 3, 2018
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

- 1. Mayor Kristie S. Overson**
City Council District 4 – Meredith Harker
City Council District 5 – Dan Armstrong

[4:32:53 PM](#) City Administrator John Taylor welcomed those in attendance. He recognized former and current elected officials and announced the program. The newly elected officials for the City of Taylorsville were sworn into office by City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle. Those sworn in were: Mayor Kristie S. Overson, Council Member (District 4) Meredith Harker, and Council Member (District 5) Dan Armstrong. Brief remarks were given by each of the newly-sworn elected officials. An open house was then held and refreshments were served.

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor:

Kristie Overson

Council Members:

Council Chairman Brad Christopherson
Vice-Chairman Daniel Armstrong
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Meredith Harker

City Staff:

John Taylor, City Administrator
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief

Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Jean Ashby, Economic Development Assistant

Others: Carl Fauver

BRIEFING SESSION

[6:03:53 PM](#) Chairman Brad Christopherson conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:03 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

1. Review Agenda

[6:04:05 PM](#) The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. Discussion was held regarding needed appointments to various boards. The need was noted for a litigation update during a Closed Session on January 17, 2018.

2. Adjourn

[6:11:42 PM](#) Chair Christopherson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Attendance:

Mayor:

Kristie Overson

Council Members:

Council Chairman Brad Christopherson
Vice-Chairman Daniel Armstrong
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Meredith Harker

City Staff:

John Taylor, City Administrator
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief

Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Jean Ashby, Economic Development Assistant

Others: Carl Fauver, John Gidney, Detective Scott Lloyd, John Gidney, Curt Cochran, Mike Harker, Terry Lynne Gidney, Lt. Saul Bailey, Sgt. Brett Miller, Detective Denise Lovendahl, Dana Johnson, Carlos Moreno, Dan Fazzini, Tenlee Hansen, McKenna Wood, Marc McElreath, Lynn Handy, Scouts from Troop 589

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

[6:30:07 PM](#) Chairman Brad Christopherson called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 and Reverence – *Council Member Armstrong (Opening Ceremonies for January 17, 2018 to be arranged by Council Member Burgess)*

[6:30:58 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

[6:31:11 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong offered the Reverence and spoke about the importance of acceptance and tolerance.

1.2 Mayor's Report

[6:33:51 PM](#) Mayor Kristie Overson stated her intentions to render regular reports from the Mayor's Office. She cited the importance of open communication.

1.3 Citizen Comments

[6:34:51 PM](#) Chairman Brad Christopherson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. He then called for any citizen comments.

[6:35:42 PM](#) Dana Johnson shared her concerns regarding corruption in government. She cited the importance of transparency and questioned salaries for City staff.

[6:40:39 PM](#) Carlos Moreno congratulated Mayor Overson on her election. He cited a desire to work toward involving minorities more fully in local government. He suggested working together in promoting diversity and more inclusivity.

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

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 ***Resolution No. 18-02 – A Resolution of the City of Taylorsville Appointing Mayor Kristie S. Overson to Represent the City of Taylorsville on the Salt Lake Unified Police Department of Greater Salt Lake Board of Directors – John Taylor***

[6:43:45 PM](#) City Administrator John Taylor nominated Mayor Kristie Overson to represent Taylorsville on the Unified Police Department of Greater Salt Lake Board of Directors.

[6:44:13 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to appoint Mayor Kristie Overson as Taylorsville's Representative on the Unified Police Department of Greater Salt Lake Board of Directors. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Brad Christopherson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Harker-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3. REPORTS

3.1 **Unified Police Department Recognition Awards – Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant**

[6:44:47 PM](#) Unified Police Department Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant presented an *Officer of the Month Award* for November 2017 to Traffic Officer Kevin Spencer. Chief Wyant described recent efforts by Officer Spencer in organizing a very successful DUI checkpoint event. He cited many arrests that came about as a result of this event.

[6:47:59 PM](#) Chief Wyant asked Mayor Overson and Detective Scott Lloyd to help present awards in recognition of students who submitted winning artwork for use on the precinct's 2017 Christmas cards. Student awards were presented to Arcadia Elementary students Tenlee Hansen and McKenna Wood.

[6:52:26 PM](#) Chief Wyant asked Lt. Saul Bailey and Sgt. Brett Miller to help present an award in recognition of Detective Denise Lovendahl who is leaving the department after 21 years of service. Chief Wyant commended Detective Lovendahl for her commendable work over many

years. Lt. Bailey described Detective Lovendahl's excellent work ethic. Mayor Overson added her appreciation for a job well done. Detective Lovendahl stated that it has been a pleasure to work with many fine people in Taylorsville.

[6:58:40 PM](#) On behalf of the City Council, Chair Christopherson thanked Detective Lovendahl for her excellent service to the city.

[6:59:06 PM](#) Chair Christopherson recognized scouts in attendance from Troop 589.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – City Council Meeting: December 6, 2017

[6:59:36 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Brad Christopherson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Harker-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

There were no financial matters.

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 Council Elections for 2018 Council Chair and Council Vice Chair – Cheryl Peacock Cottle

[7:00:20 PM](#) City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle relayed that written nominations for the 2018 Council Chair and Council Vice Chair have been received, as follows: Council Chair: Dan Armstrong and Brad Christopherson; and Council Vice Chair: Dan Armstrong and Ernest Burgess.

Ms. Cottle distributed printed ballots and voting took place. The ballots were collected by Deputy Recorder Kris Heineman and submitted to the City Recorder for tabulation. Ms. Heineman verified the voting results. The first round of voting resulted in a tie vote for both Council Chair and Council Vice Chair.

City Attorney Tracy Cowdell cited current City Council policies wherein it states that the Chair and Vice Chair shall be determined by a majority vote. He described options before the Council and explained that the Council may decide to wait until after the appointment of a fifth Council Member next week in order to break the tie. It was determined that another vote should be taken at this time. The second round of voting resulted in Council Member Brad Christopherson being elected as 2018 Chair, but another tie vote was announced for 2018 Vice Chair. After a third round of voting, Council Member Dan Armstrong was elected as 2018 Vice Chair.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

[7:08:43 PM](#) Chair Christopherson called for discussion regarding potential 2018 City Council Advisor/Representative assignments and appointments to various boards. Determinations were made as follows:

[7:10:08 PM](#) Chair Christopherson suggested that Assistant City Manager Scott Harrington be appointed as Taylorsville's representative on the VECC Board.

[7:10:43 PM](#) Mayor Overson will continue in her four-year term appointment on the Salt Lake Mosquito Abatement District Board. She would also like to continue working with the Youth Council.

[7:12:00 PM](#) Council Member Harker stated her desire to serve as an advisor to the Historic Preservation Committee and would also like to take over as the advisor to the LARP Committee, with a potential name change to that committee.

[7:13:34 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong is willing to serve as Council advisor to ChamberWest.

[7:13:54 PM](#) The Jordan River Commission assignment will be decided later.

[7:14:53 PM](#) The Economic Development Committee meets quarterly and may be assigned to the new Council Member.

[7:15:58 PM](#) Chair Christopherson will take over as the City's representative on the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District Board in lieu of his previous assignment with VECC.

[7:16:19 PM](#) An alternate is still needed for the Council of Governments and will be determined later. It was acknowledged that the Mayor currently serves on that Council.

[7:17:15 PM](#) Mayor Overson will be appointed to the UFA and UFSA Boards.

[7:18:39 PM](#) Mayor Overson is a member of the Arts Council Board of Trustees, along with the Council Chair. Council Member Ernest Burgess will serve as Council Advisor to the Arts Council.

[7:20:50 PM](#) The meeting schedule for the Legislative Policy Committee was discussed. Chair Christopherson will serve on that committee and one more Council Member is still needed. This will be determined once a full City Council is in place.

[7:24:09 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong cited the need to work with the Legislature to get retirement changed for the Police Department. Chair Christopherson acknowledged that he has asked Administration to arrange a meeting with Taylorsville's legislative delegation before the legislative session starts to discuss challenges with filling police positions. City Administrator John Taylor indicated that this will likely be scheduled as a morning/breakfast meeting.

[7:25:34 PM](#) Council Coordinator Kris Heineman relayed that Lobbyist Charlie Evans is scheduled for discussion with the Council on January 17, 2017.

It was noted that the Planning Commission Meeting previously scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2018 has now been cancelled.

[7:27:29 PM](#) Discussion was held regarding the process for interviewing applicants for the City Council District 2 vacancy during a Special City Council Meeting on January 10, 2018.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

- 9.1 Special City Council Meeting – Wednesday, January 10, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, January 17, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.3 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, January 17, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.4 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.5 Mayor's Town Hall Meeting – Wednesday, January 31, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.**

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

- For the Purpose(s) Described in Statute U.C.A. 52-4-205

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

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was noted that a meeting of the Redevelopment Agency Board will be convened immediately following this meeting.

[7:44:02 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council Meeting. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Brad Christopherson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Harker-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 01-17-18

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder