

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, February 18, 2015
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

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
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief
Mike Kelsey, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Stephanie Nate, Assistant City Attorney

Excused: Mayor Larry Johnson, Chief of Finance Scott Harrington

Others: Gene VanRoosendaal, Scouts from Troop #40

BRIEFING SESSION

6:07:58 PM Chairman Kristie Overson conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:07 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

1. Review Administrative Report

6:08:25 PM Chair Overson called for questions on the Administrative Report for the Community Development Department and there were none.

2. Review Agenda

The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed.

3. Adjourn

6:11:56 PM Chair Overson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Attendance:

Mayor:

Larry Johnson

Council Members:

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Excused: Chief of Finance Scott Harrington

Others: Rob Morley, April McKay, John Kelaidis, Ryan Kingston, Janice Auger Rasmussen, Gordon Willardson, Jackie Willardson, Robert Newton, Dina Newton, Pat Oswald, Jan Oswald, Steve Faurschou, Israel Grossman, Don Quigley, John Gidney, Gordon Wolf, Lynn Handy, Anna Barbieri, Dan Fazzini, Curt Cochran, Jim Winder, Shane Hudson, Ted Jensen, Susan Holman, Gene VanRoosendaal, Charlie Evans, Scouts from Troop #40

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

6:32:15 PM Chairman Kristie Overson called the meeting to order at 6:32 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 – *Council Member Burgess*

6:32:55 PM UPD Chief Tracy Wyant directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Reverence – *Council Member Burgess* (Opening Ceremonies For March 4, 2015 to be arranged by Council Member Christopherson)

6:34:23 PM Council Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess offered the Reverence.

1.3 Mayor's Report

No Mayor's Report was given at this time.

1.4 Citizen Comments

6:35:36 PM Chairman Kristie Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. She then called for any citizen comments.

6:35:48 PM Former Taylorsville Mayor Janice Auger Rasmussen commented on the proposal to implement a citywide vote by mail program in Taylorsville. She listed reasons that she is in favor of this option. She cited the cost savings and increased voter turnout that were experienced in others cities who conducted citywide vote by mail programs in the last municipal election.

6:38:15 PM There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Overson closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 Reappointment of Committee Chairs: Lynn Handy (Budget Committee), Lee Ellen Stevens (Ordinance Review Committee), Lisa Schwartz (Public Safety Committee), Jeffrey Sean Summerhays (Green Committee), Keith Sorensen (Leisure, Arts, Recreation and Parks Committee/LARP) – *Vice-Chair Burgess*

6:38:31 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess nominated the following individuals for reappointment as committee chairs: Lynn Handy (Budget Committee), Lee Ellen Stevens (Ordinance Review Committee), Lisa Schwartz (Public Safety Committee), Jeffrey Sean Summerhays (Green Committee), and Keith Sorensen (Leisure, Arts, Recreation and Parks Committee/LARP).

6:38:34 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to appoint the following individuals for reappointment as committee chairs: Lynn Handy (Budget Committee), Lee Ellen Stevens (Ordinance Review Committee), Lisa Schwartz (Public Safety Committee), Jeffrey Sean Summerhays (Green Committee), and Keith Sorensen (Leisure, Arts, Recreation and Parks Committee/LARP). Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. Council Members acknowledged the fine volunteers in the City and thanked them for their efforts. There being no further discussion, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

2.2 Appointment of Howard Wilson, Susan Holman and Gordon Wolf as Members of the Arts Council Board of Trustees – *Mayor Johnson*

Mayor Larry Johnson nominated Howard Wilson, Susan Holman, and Gordon Wolf to serve as members of the Taylorsville Arts Council Board of Trustees.

Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to appoint the following individuals as members of the Taylorsville Arts Council Board of Trustees: Howard Wilson, Susan Holman and Gordon Wolf. Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess **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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3. REPORTS

3.1 UPD/UPD Recognition Awards

– UFA Asst. Battalion Chief Mike Kelsey/UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant

6:41:01 PM Unified Fire Authority (UFA) Assistant Battalion Chief Mike Kelsey, Unified Police Department (UPD) Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant, UPD Deputy Chief Shane Hudson, Salt Lake County Sheriff Jim Winder, and Mayor Larry Johnson presented a *Citizen Heroism Award* to 10-year old Isabella Einerson on behalf of the UPD, the UFA, and the City of Taylorsville.

Chief Kelsey described an emergency incident on December 9, 214 when young Ms. Einerson bravely called “911” to help save her mother’s life.

6:44:34 PM Sheriff Jim Winder presented a *UPD Recognition Award* to Taylorsville Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant. The Sheriff read a letter from Stephanie Wyler describing a traumatic incident that was personally handled by Chief Tracy Wyant and Officer Scott Lloyd. Ms. Wyler relayed the personal efforts that Chief Wyant has made to help the young boys in her family who have struggled with the aftermath of such a family tragedy. Ms. Wyler called the Chief’s support amazing and said that he will always be a mentor and friend to her grandsons.

6:49:23 PM Chief Wyant thanked Mayor Larry Johnson for also providing personal support to the Wyler family during an incredible tragedy.

6:49:42 PM Chief Wyant presented a *UPD Precinct Chief’s Award* to Detective Gene VanRoosendaal. The Chief commended Detective VanRoosendaal for his fine example and tremendous service in Taylorsville.

6:53:38 PM Chair Overson recognized members of Scout Troop #40 in attendance.

6:54:09 PM Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to address Agenda Item 7.2 at this time. 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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3.2 UPD Quarterly Report – UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant

7:23:36 PM UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant presented a quarterly report on activities of the UPD Taylorsville Precinct. He gave clarification on two weeks’ worth of data that is missing from the report. He noted that the information presented is actual and factual.

7:24:08 PM Chief Wyant reviewed statistics on overall crime trends and on general offenses in all areas. He cited numbers of general offenses per Council Districts and discussed response times. Traffic accidents and citations were referenced. Maps illustrating the locations of narcotic cases and burglaries were presented and reviewed. Chief Wyant referenced the summary of activities of the Investigations Unit.

7:26:30 PM Council Members agreed that the numbers in the report look great.

7:27:55 PM Council Member Armstrong questioned the large jump in burglar alarms cited. The Chief explained that officers do not respond to alarms unless they are designated as “panic” or are “hold up” alarms at businesses or residences.

7:29:17 PM Chief Wyant answered a question regarding fraud. He clarified that most fraud cases are related to credit card fraud and identity theft. He cited factors that have contributed to a reduction in crime, i.e. improved economy, efforts by police officers, *Neighborhood Watch* programs, and crime awareness education.

7:36:02 PM Chair Overson inquired about a “known drug house” mentioned in the report. The Chief agreed to check on the status of this and follow-up with the Council.

7:37:16 PM Chair Overson cited the great officers working in the City. Other Council Members thanked Chief Wyant for all that is done to provide law enforcement service in Taylorsville.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 City Council Minutes – 02-04-2015

Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess **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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

5. PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Discussion Concerning an Appeal of a Planning Commission Decision Regarding a Conditional Use Permit for a Home Occupation Daycare Located at 6257 South Hathaway Street – *Mark McGrath*

7:38:17 PM Chair Overson recognized Planning Commissioners in attendance to listen to this discussion.

7:38:37 PM Community Development Director Mark McGrath described a conditional use permit (CUP) application for a home daycare that was considered at a recent Planning Commission Meeting. He explained that the application was for a maximum of eight children per day, with the daycare operating Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

7:38:53 PM Mr. McGrath stated that the public notice requirements for this item were satisfied by direct mail advertising to all property owners within 300 feet of the subject property. He reported that prior to the meeting numerous concerns/complaints were received regarding the application. He cited concerns expressed regarding additional traffic in the neighborhood, potential impact on property values, noise, having commercial enterprises in a neighborhood, too many children, that the applicant was not the owner of the property, parking problems, etc.

7:39:43 PM Mr. McGrath relayed that the Planning Commission heard a presentation from staff on the item, followed by a presentation by the applicant and a public hearing. During the public hearing, concerns were heard similar to those expressed prior to the meeting. He reported that a petition was also received containing about 30 signatures generally opposing approval of the conditional use permit.

7:40:13 PM Mr. McGrath said that following the public hearing, the Planning Commission deliberated the application and ultimately felt that the applicant was compliant with City code and there were no findings that would justify denying the conditional use permit.

7:40:39 PM Mr. McGrath commented that, from a legal perspective, conditional uses are the most scrutinized aspect of land use regulation. He shared that there have been several very high-profile land use cases that have further defined for communities how CUP's can be treated. He referenced State Code that makes conditional uses essentially the same thing as a permitted use, unless the community can demonstrate through evidence (not public clamor) that the situation will be in violation of some stated standard within the development ordinance. He reiterated that, in this particular case, the Taylorsville Planning Commission felt that the proposed use at the proposed location was not in violation of any the standards stated in City development code. The Planning Commission, therefore, unanimously voted to approve the CUP on December 9, 2014. Within a couple of days of the Planning Commission decision, two area residents submitted letters appealing that decision.

7:43:35 PM Mr. McGrath described changes made to City code in 2012 regarding the handling of appeals of Planning Commission decisions. He said that, based on current code, the City Council must now make two decisions: (1) Decide whether this appeal will be heard based on a review of the administrative record (minutes of the meeting, staff report, public comments, etc.) or, if there was some procedural irregularity or new evidence has been presented, determine to conduct a public hearing and basically do the entire process over again; and (2) Decide who will

actually hear the appeal. It was clarified that the City Council could either hear the appeal or delegate the matter to another appointed body/agent.

7:46:20 PM Mr. McGrath confirmed that notifications were sent to the neighborhood as a courtesy even though they were not required. Council Member Christopherson asked whether it was a pretty rare occurrence to see this much opposition to a home occupation permit. Mr. McGrath affirmed that he has never seen this much opposition to this type of a CUP for a home occupation.

7:47:40 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson stated some of his concerns regarding the involvement of State action. He noted that he is an attorney who practices in this area and the subject property is in his Council District. He suggested that conditional use permits, based on, State law, are basically a "rubber stamp" decision at staff level; however, because of public comments received by the City, and wanting to be transparent and open, the City held a public meeting. He said he is aware of the concerns expressed and cited the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution that provides equal protection to all citizens without respect to religion, race, gender, etc. He said that the issues and perspectives presented during the public hearing did not rise to the level of countering the requirements that were met in the application. He gave examples of things that would overturn a CUP, i.e. proof of operation outside of allowed hours, or exceeding the maximum of allowed children, etc. He cited instances of the potential for adverse impact, but said that the impacts suggested in this case would not trump private property rights. Council Member Christopherson cited the potential for a lawsuit to be filed that would challenge State action that had infringed on constitutional rights if the City Council were to overturn this decision. He referenced the possibility of fines and attorney fees being assessed to the City and ultimately to taxpayers. He agreed that it is very rare to receive this much opposition to something that is standard and normally handled at a staff level. He stressed that it is very important to understand the process and the law. He noted that letters directed to elected officials from concerned citizens have been read, but were not responded to directly because of the potential to taint the process should the appeal come before the City Council in a quasi-judicial mode.

7:56:18 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell agreed that Mr. McGrath and Council Member Christopherson have adequately framed the law. Mr. Cowdell agreed that law provides that if boxes under a CUP are checked, then property rights are ensured. He observed that it is very rare to receive an appeal for someone who has been granted a CUP. He cited a strong inference that people should be able to use their property the way they want. He discussed what must be done now in regard to the appeal received and stated the following: (1) As a quasi-judicial body, the Council can re-hear and essentially re-try the case; or (2) the Council can look at the record as presented to the Planning Commission, allow additional input and make a decision; or (3) the Council can refer the matter to someone else, i.e. the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), to re-hear or examine the record and make a decision. Mr. Cowdell noted that the appeal was timely filed

and cited noticing requirements that must be met. He observed that the matter can be taken to Third District Court. He observed that, although the whole process is slow, the code is designed to protect property rights.

8:04:24 PM Chair Overson called for discussion on what happens now. Council Member Barbour stated that she has never been one to pass her responsibility on to someone else. Council Member Brad Christopherson said he is inclined to hear the appeal as a Council and not send it to the ALJ. He also indicated that he would like to hear from individuals who want to speak. Council Members Ernest Burgess and Dan Armstrong relayed that they would also like to hear the appeal. Chair Overson stated that she would prefer to examine the record and then make a decision. She clarified that, as four Council Members would like to hear the appeal, that option prevails.

8:07:08 PM Mr. Cowdell gave input on timing and noticing requirements. Mr. McGrath confirmed the need to set a specific date, typically during a regular City Council Meeting. After further discussion, it was recommended that the appeal be heard during the City Council Meeting on April 1, 2015.

8:08:54 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to hear the appeal, with a public hearing scheduled for April 1, 2015. Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess **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: Burgess-yes, Overson-no, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted and the motion passed with a four-to-one vote.**

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

There were no financial matters.

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 Discussion Regarding 2015 Municipal Election Options – *Chair Overson*

8:11:18 PM Chair Overson called for discussion regarding options for the 2015 Municipal Election in Taylorsville.

8:11:24 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong cited a follow-up call he made to Salt Lake County Clerk Sherrie Swensen. He described secure ways that ballots are handled and counted by the County. He said there is no potential for hacking into the computer that is used. He relayed that his other concern was verifying signatures on ballots, but Ms. Swensen has assured that signatures are compared and matched. Council Member Armstrong suggested that comparing

signatures is hard to do and only cursory review will be given, unless there is a close race or some allegation of voter fraud. He discussed voters who may move and controls that are in place. He cited the potential of losing or forgetting about ballots that are mailed. He observed that citywide vote by mail would ultimately result in a larger return of ballots through the mail, but cited those who do still like to vote in a voting booth, as he does. He noted that he personally does research on candidates and issues beforehand. Council Member Armstrong said he is in favor of voting by mail, but would like to see a voting center in each Council District. He confirmed that he would like to keep Early Voting and polling locations in each Council District.

8:18:23 PM Council Member Dama Barbour relayed that she is going to switch over to permanent vote by mail. She said that she has talked to 23 people in her district, with two negative opinions being received on voting by mail; everyone else said that citywide vote by mail is absolutely the way to go and is the way of the future. She reported on surrounding cities in Salt Lake County are going to citywide vote by mail. Council Member Barbour said she is in favor of moving to the citywide vote by mail and recommends leaving a voting machine in each district on Election Day. She indicated that she is satisfied that fraud controls are in place for a citywide vote by mail process.

8:20:37 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson asked for clarification on the two options being offered by Salt Lake County. Chair Overson described the two options for the municipal election, as follows: (1) Citywide Vote by Mail, with ballots being mailed to all registered voters in Taylorsville and a Voting Center provided on election day(s) for in-person voting; or (2) Consolidated Polls, with "Early Voting" provided as in previous years at Taylorsville City Hall, and one polling location in each applicable Council District. It was clarified that if the citywide vote by mail program is chosen, "Early Voting" would not be conducted at Taylorsville City Hall; however, voters would still have the option of dropping their ballots at a ballot box at City Hall for a period prior to Election Day or coming out to vote in person on Election Day at a "Voting Center" set up at Taylorsville City Hall.

8:23:46 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess relayed that he has talked with some of his constituents and experienced a "toss-up" with opinions shared. He said that right now he is leaning toward keeping the election process the same.

8:25:00 PM Chair Overson stated that she likes the citywide vote by mail option. She referenced voting statistics from 2011.

8:26:08 PM Council Member Barbour observed that it boils down to every registered voter receiving a ballot in the mail and then what they choose to do with that ballot is up to them.

8:27:09 PM Mayor Johnson said he would like to leave the election process the same. He cited the potential for fraud. He observed that 33% of registered voters in Taylorsville already vote by

mail and more have the option to do so, but he doesn't support going to citywide vote by mail. He relayed that he would still like to provide the option to vote in person.

8:28:38 PM Vice-Chair Burgess clarified that post cards are mailed out to registered voters with notification regarding the election process.

8:29:15 PM Chair Overson reported that she called Salt Lake County to ask how they would verify her signature and they were able to pull up her signature and match it.

8:30:16 PM Mayor Johnson commented on unqualified personnel who may be verifying signatures.

7.1.1 Resolution No. 15-01 – Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Taylorsville and Salt Lake County on Behalf of the County Clerk Elections Division for 2015 Municipal Election Services

Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 15-01 – Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Taylorsville and Salt Lake County on Behalf of the County Clerk Elections Division for 2015 Municipal Election Services, with the citywide vote by mail option. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. Clarification was given on intent of the motion that the interlocal should be adopted with the vote by mail option as presented by Salt Lake County. There being no further discussion, Chair Overson called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-no, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-no, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted. The motion passed with a three-to-two vote.**

7.2 Discussion Regarding Gas Tax Legislation – *John Taylor*

City Administrator John Taylor called for discussion regarding the proposed gas tax legislation. He introduced City Lobbyist Charlie Evans and asked him to provide an update to the Council.

6:55:50 PM Mr. Evans described two options related to the gas tax legislation. He relayed that the Senate is generally proposing an increase per gallon of \$.10. The general House position is that the gas tax should be treated similar to a sales tax, utilizing a percentage that grows with inflation (per a bill sponsored by Representative Johnny Anderson). Mr. Evans said that he thinks the bill being sponsored by Representative Anderson has a better chance to get traction.

6:57:19 PM Mr. Evans relayed that cities are not as sure as they once were about the proposition previously in place and the deal is now less stable. He said he believes that the ¼ % local option sales tax imposed by the county may still take place. He clarified that in that scenario, the city would get .10 %, transit would get .10 %, and the county would get .05%.

6:59:07 PM Mr. Evans referenced a current conflict between cities and the Utah Transit Authority (UTA). He confirmed that cities are being represented by the Utah League of Cities and Town (ULCT).

6:59:37 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell cited some irony in the fact that cities are required to go through the truth in taxation process to raise taxes.

7:00:21 PM Council Member Dama Barbour referenced ULCT's proposed resolution and relayed her understanding that only seven cities have not adopted that resolution. She questioned current negotiations and any ongoing conflict between the ULCT and UTA. Mr. Evans said that he believes that the League and UTA will work something out. He offered his opinion that, with the legislature moving fairly quickly, it is not necessary for the City to tie itself to a resolution.

7:02:32 PM City Administrator John Taylor inquired whether the League has stated its position publicly. Mr. Evans said he has not heard anything in a public meeting. Mr. Taylor cited the City's concern with lack of sufficient budget for local road maintenance. He said Taylorsville's recommended position is to look for the maintenance dollar that will help local roads.

7:03:33 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong asked what the City's course of action should be at this point. Mr. Evans suggested that if the City is in favor of the "10/10/5" option, it should go on record as supporting that and relay that information to Taylorsville legislative representatives.

7:04:48 PM Council Member Barbour said she supports the "10/10/5" option, but only under the condition that taxing is done at a County level and the city does not have to add tax. Mr. Evans confirmed that the statute requires the tax to be implemented at the County level.

7:06:19 PM Mayor Johnson said that he has no interest in adopting a resolution.

7:07:02 PM Discussion was held regarding how best to relay the City's position. The Mayor cited efforts by Representative Jim Dunnigan. Mayor Johnson indicated that he will be talking to Representative Dunnigan tomorrow. Mr. Evans suggested that the City be united in its position.

7:08:12 PM Vice-Chair Burgess said the "10/10/5" option is fine with him as long as it stays intact. Mr. Evans agreed that this legislation could still go a number of different directions.

7:09:52 PM Mr. Cowdell suggested that the Council give general parameters to Mr. Evans and the Mayor in order to give maximum flexibility. He noted that updates can then be brought back to the Council.

7:11:08 PM Council Member Barbour said she wants to ensure that Taylorsville is the recipient of some of the monies allocated.

7:12:18 PM Council Member Christopherson suggested supporting a solution that (1) takes inflation into account; (2) helps bring monies back to the cities; and (3) does anything possible to fast-forward the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. All other Council Members concurred with these three key points.

Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to give direction to Administration and the City Lobbyist to support a solution to include the three points made, as follows: supporting a solution that (1) takes inflation into account; (2) helps bring monies back to the cities; and (3) does anything possible to fast-forward the BRT project. Council Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** this motion. **All Council Members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7:14:44 PM Mayor Johnson thanked the Council for its support and said he has been meeting with legislators and working hard for Taylorsville every day.

7:15:02 PM Mr. Evans cited efforts regarding the wall on Redwood Road and said he is confident that funds will be received thanks to the efforts of Senators Wayne Harper and Karen Mayne.

7:15:50 PM Council Member Dama Barbour cited proposed legislation regarding auto dealerships. Mr. Evans said this will be a tough bill, but there is nothing in the bill to hurt Taylorsville; rather, it can only help.

7:17:41 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong commented on potential problems in dealing with national car dealerships.

7:18:35 PM Vice-Chair Burgess commented on the bill regarding auto dealerships and said that if one city is able to accomplish this, it will pave the way for others.

7:19:22 PM Council Member Barbour commented on the auto dealership bill.

7:20:26 PM Vice-Chair Burgess inquired about bills related to water. Mr. Evans clarified that there are no water bills that would affect the City.

7:20:42 PM Mayor Johnson thanked Mr. Evans for representing Taylorsville so well and commended him for his great communication efforts.

7:21:09 PM Mr. Evans expressed his appreciation for being allowed to represent the City of Taylorsville.

7:22:09 PM Chair Overson cited Representative Johnny Anderson's Town Meeting tomorrow night; however, Mark McGrath relayed a message that the meeting referenced for tomorrow night (February 19, 2015) has recently been cancelled.

7.3 Training Regarding Open Meetings Act – Tracy Cowdell

8:33:05 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to table training on the Open Meetings Act. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. **All Council Members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** It was determined that this presentation will be rendered in a future Council Meeting.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

8:34:52 PM Council Member Armstrong described handouts distributed regarding Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) transportation projects. City Administrator John Taylor clarified that this is WFRC's plan and they are only allowed to spend funds on State routes or major collectors; so, that is why Taylorsville projects being funded by WFRC are limited.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

- 9.1 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, March 4, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, March 4, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.3 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, March 10, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.4 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, March 18, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.5 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, March 18, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.**

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10.1 *Emergency Management Training for Elected Officials:* Wednesday, February 25, 2015 – 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Council Chambers**
- 10.2 *Taylorsville Arts Council Art Show:* February 27-28, 2015**
- 10.3 *Taylorsville Urban Cart Dart:* Saturday, March 7, 2015 – 10:00 a.m. Location TBD**

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

8:38:02 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale or purchase of real property at 8:38 p.m. Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess **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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

Sale or Purchase of Real Property

Those in attendance at this Closed Session were: Mayor Larry Johnson, Council Members Barbour, Burgess, Christopherson, Armstrong, and Overson; City Attorney Tracy Cowdell; City Administrator John Taylor; Economic Development Director Wayne Harper; Assistant City Attorney Stephanie Nate; and City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle.
Minutes for the Closed Session were taken and are now on file as a Protected Record.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adjourn the Closed Session and the City Council Meeting. 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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.


Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 03-04-15

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder