

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, June 3, 2015
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
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Michael Meldrum, Principal Planner
Todd Caldwell, UFA Battalion Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Mike Schoenfeld, UPD Lieutenant

Excused: Community Development Director Mark McGrath

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

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

6:00 BRIEFING SESSION

6:03:34 PM Chairman Kristie Overson 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 Administrative Report – Administration

The Administrative Report was reviewed. Chair Overson called for questions on the report and there were none.

2. Review Agenda

6:05:07 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed.

6:06:57 PM Discussion was held regarding participation in parades this summer with the Taylorsville float. It was determined that the Taylorsville float will be in the Taylorsville Dayzz parade and also in parades on July 4th and July 24th. It was agreed to take part in the West Jordan Parade. The suggestion was made to alternate cities next year. It was agreed to let Youth Ambassadors decide whether they also want to participate in the Sandy Parade on July 4th.

6:13:41 PM Chair Overson cited the need for a driver for the float during certain parades. Council Member Armstrong volunteered to drive the float on July 4th. Chair Overson relayed that the float's theme will be the arts in Taylorsville.

6:16:01 PM City Administrator John Taylor relayed that the Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) has asked cities to give notification by tomorrow of plans regarding a resolution in support of the gas tax option. He called for further discussion during tonight's regular meeting regarding the will of the Council on this matter. Council Member Dama Barbour asked about any ramifications if Taylorsville chooses not to pass a resolution. Mr. Taylor gave clarification on the desire of the County to have City support in order to put this issue on the ballot. He noted that if Taylorsville does not support the gas tax option, the County can still move forward and the tax can be enacted. Mayor Johnson cited the importance of putting the issue on the ballot at the right time (either 2015 or 2016). It was confirmed that ULCT is asking for City support on behalf of Salt Lake County.

6:18:56 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson commented that the potential funding from the gas tax would benefit roads and road maintenance in Taylorsville. He stated that it makes fiscal sense and he supports putting the gas tax option on the ballot. Mayor Johnson said that ULCT is interested in seeing whether cities are supportive of the gas tax option going on the 2015 or 2016 ballot. He relayed plans to bring a resolution before the Council during the June 17, 2015 Meeting. Mr. Taylor described language in the proposed resolution for cities.

6:21:38 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell suggested that the City could state support of citizens ultimately deciding on this issue if that is more comfortable. He commented that it is okay to weigh in on the gas tax option at this point and support putting it on the ballot, but noted that as the election draws nearer the City cannot use taxpayer money to influence voters. He confirmed

that once Salt Lake County has acted on this, it is not appropriate to ask for a City resolution of support. He reiterated that City support can only be expressed up until 90 days of the election.

6:26:09 PM Further discussion ensued regarding the question of City support of the gas tax option. The City's previous involvement with the legislature and ULCT regarding HB 362 were cited. Mayor Johnson noted that the real unanswered question is whether the issue goes on a ballot this year or next.

6:26:09 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong stated that he is not in favor of adopting a resolution of support or strong-arming the public. Council Member Dama Barbour noted that this is supposed to be a county-wide decision. Mr. Taylor said the County is just looking for the City's position on whether or not it should go on a ballot. Council Member Christopherson stated that he has no opposition to the County putting the matter on a ballot and letting the people decide. He observed that supporting a decision to allow a vote of the people is not "strong-arming."

6:27:16 PM Mayor Johnson said that under current ordinance, the matter would need to go on the 2016 ballot and to place it on the 2015 ballot the law will need to be changed. He cited some desire to wait for the 2016 Election because there would be more voters during that election.

6:27:57 PM Chair Overson stated that this discussion will be tabled for now and continued at the end of the regular meeting later tonight.

3. Adjourn

6:28:16 PM Chair Overson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director
Todd Caldwell, UFA Battalion Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Marsha Thomas, Judge

Excused: Community Development Director Mark McGrath

Others: Gordon Willardson, Connie Willardson, Lynn Handy, Royce Larsen, Tim Collins, E.J. Hinterman, John Gidney

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

6:37:49 PM Chairman Kristie Overson called the meeting to order at 6:38 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 Burgess (Opening Ceremonies for June 17, 2015 to be arranged by Council Member Christopherson)*

6:38:49 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

6:40:18 PM Taylorsville Principal Planner Michael Meldrum offered the Reverence.

1.2 Mayor's Report

No Mayor's Report was given.

1.3 Citizen Comments

6:40:24 PM Chairman Kristie Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. She then called for any citizen comments. There were no citizen comments, and Chairman Overson closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

3. REPORTS

3.1 “Push to Survive” Program – *Unified Fire Authority*

6:44:43 PM Fire Fighter Tim Collins, of the Unified Fire Authority (UFA), described the “*Push to Survive*” Program. He explained that this program is designed to help citizens learn CPR. He relayed that the goal of the program is to teach the proper way to perform compressions when giving assistance. He relayed that free 10-minute classes will be offered at Fire Station 118 (5317 South 2700 West in Taylorsville) on August 3, 9, 15, and 21, 2015 between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. He noted that this program will also be promoted at the Taylorsville Dayzz booth.

6:45:07 PM A video presentation was rendered regarding the “Push to Survive” Program. The need to “check, call, and compress” was reviewed.

6:48:02 PM Practice mannequins were distributed and chest compressions were practiced by those in attendance.

6:53:41 PM Fire Fighter Collins shared statistics on survival rates in communities related to implementation of the “Push to Survive” Program. He described the success experienced by this important campaign.

6:56:10 PM Fire Fighter Tim Collins addressed comments from the Council. Fire Fighter E.J. Hinterman gave specific information on the free classes that are being offered at the Fire Station. He noted that tours of the fire station will also be offered in conjunction with the compression classes. He cited other cities that have participated in the “Push to Survive” Program.

7:00:04 PM Fire Fighter Collins gave further demonstration on giving proper chest compressions.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – City Council Meetings: May 6, 2015 and May 13, 2015

7:02:18 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. 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, Armstrong-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-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. 15-10 – A Resolution Adopting a Final Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2015 and Ending June 30, 2016 – Scott Harrington**

7:03:08 PM Chair Kristie Overson noted that a public hearing on the proposed budget was held on May 20, 2015. Chief of Finance Scott Harrington presented the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2015 and noted that the only thing that has changed since it was presented two weeks ago is the addition of \$500,000 for the Salt Lake Community College Wall. He explained that this is funding received from the State that is just passed through on the City's budget. He clarified that, other than this referenced change, the budget presented for adoption is the same version as that which has been reviewed for the last two weeks.

7:04:23 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 15-10 - Adopting a Final Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2015 and Ending June 30, 2016. 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, Armstrong-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 **Resolution No. 15-12 – A Resolution of the City of Taylorsville Authorizing an Amendment to Extend the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Taylorsville and Salt Lake County for Prisoner Transportation Services and Altering the Fee Schedule – Tracy Cowdell**

7:06:06 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell presented the subject resolution to extend the interlocal agreement with Salt Lake County for prisoner transportation services to and from the Taylorsville Court and to alter the associated fee schedule. He said that the increase in costs is a very minimal one (merely cents per transport), with an overall anticipated increase of \$100 to \$200 over last year. He relayed that about 25 prisoners per year are transported. Mr. Cowdell explained that new technology capabilities have helped cut down on transport needs. He observed that contracting with the County is really the City's only option for transport.

[7:09:08 PM](#) Council Member Barbour inquired how the decision is made to use transport. Mr. Cowdell explained that it depends on the type of hearing and sentencing involved. He described the transport process.

[7:10:13 PM](#) Judge Marsha Thomas relayed that the Court usually has about four video hearings per week and sees five to seven prisoners on average. Mr. Cowdell observed that technology is used more frequently now than physically transporting prisoners.

[7:11:15 PM](#) Council Member Barbour asked for clarification on what types of cases are heard in the Taylorsville Court. Mr. Cowdell explained that the Taylorsville Justice Court hears Class B Misdemeanor cases or lower; individuals charged with Class A Misdemeanors or Felonies go to District Court at the Matheson Courthouse; those charged with both a Class B and a Felony also go to District Court.

[7:12:24 PM](#) Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 15-12 – Authorizing an Amendment to Extend the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Taylorsville and Salt Lake County for Prisoner Transportation Services and Altering the Fee Schedule. 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, Armstrong-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7.2 ***Resolution No. 15-13 – A Resolution of the City of Taylorsville Authorizing an Amendment to Extend the Interlocal Agreement to Provide Bailiff and Security Services to Taylorsville City for One Additional Year Under a New Fee Schedule – Tracy Cowdell***

[7:13:11 PM](#) City Attorney Tracy Cowdell presented the subject resolution to extend an interlocal agreement for the provision of bailiff and security services to Taylorsville for an additional year under a new fee schedule. He gave background on bailiff and security services. He noted that the bailiffs and management assigned to Taylorsville are incredibly responsive and attentive to the needs of the City. Mr. Cowdell said that the one-year extension actually sets the cost lower (\$1000 less). He clarified that after-hours pay is now set at \$45.14 (down from \$45.31). He explained that if one bailiff is off, others are sent to fill in.

[7:15:56 PM](#) Council Member Burgess questioned whether it is necessary to have two bailiffs at all times. Mr. Cowdell affirmed that it is necessary to have two bailiffs and described the duties of each, i.e. one checking bags, etc. outside in the hallway and another bailiff staying next to the judge and providing security.

7:18:02 PM Chief of Finance Scott Harrington gave clarification on the budget allocation for bailiff and security services.

7:18:27 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 15-13 – A Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to Extend the Interlocal Agreement to Provide Bailiff and Security Services to Taylorsville City for One Additional Year Under a New Fee Schedule. Council Member 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, Armstrong-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7.3 Resolution No. 15-14 – A Resolution of the City of Taylorsville Approving the 2015 Municipal Voting Precincts and Polling Places for Taylorsville, Utah – John Taylor

7:19:14 PM City Administrator John Taylor presented the subjection resolution to approve the 2015 Municipal Election polling places for Taylorsville, as recommended by the Salt Lake County Elections Division. He explained that there will be consolidated polling locations this year, with one in each applicable Council District. He noted that discussions have been held regarding the use of public facilities versus private. Mr. Taylor relayed that Salt Lake County has committed to School Districts not to use schools for voting, if possible, due to security concerns. He listed the three polling locations, as follows: Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church (Council District 1); Majestic Meadows Clubhouse (Council District 2); and Bennion LDS Church (Council District 3).

7:21:09 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 15-14 – A Resolution Approving the 2015 Municipal Voting Precincts and Polling Places for Taylorsville, Utah. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. Council Member Ernest Burgess asked Mr. Taylor to explain the statute requirement that the Council approve polling locations. Mr. Taylor did so, but noted that the Taylorsville's contract with Salt Lake County allows them to select polling locations on behalf of the City. He reiterated the role of the Council in approving polling locations. There being no further discussion, Chair Overson called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Armstrong-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7.4 Discussion Regarding the Taylorsville Journal – Tracy Cowdell

7:22:32 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell gave a presentation regarding the Taylorsville Journal. A copy of Mr. Cowdell's presentation is attached and incorporated therein as part of this record.

7:29:37 PM Chair Kristie Overson asked about the “Council Corner” article that is included in the City newsletter within the Journal. Mr. Cowdell stated that a general article from the Council written by a Council Member who is not up for re-election is okay, but nothing should come from or about a candidate within 90 days of the election.

7:32:16 PM Mayor Johnson cited the potential for controversy and suggested that the Council may want to hold the “Council Corner” article for the three months prior to the election. Mr. Cowdell relayed that the editor has stated he is not going to allow candidates who are on the ballot to write articles.

7:33:01 PM Council Member Dama Barbour commented that she cannot envision any of the Taylorsville officials resorting to unethical acts. She noted that the City’s newsletter is being published in the Journal and should include communication from elected officials. Mr. Cowdell explained that the editor is specifically worried about not being perceived as promoting certain candidates at election time. He has said that he will not include any articles from elected officials on the ballot during the 90-day pre-election period.

7:35:33 PM Mr. Cowdell cited ways other jurisdictions are publishing newsletters that are identified as clearly separate from the Journal.

7:37:25 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong called for clarification on who pays for publication of the paper. Mr. Cowdell explained that it is a privately owned paper with circulation being paid for by private money. The City is treated like an advertiser and pays money for space to include a newsletter, the content of which the City controls. Council Member Armstrong suggested making the City’s space clearly separate from the rest of the paper. Mr. Cowdell cited the possible perception of citizens that the entire Journal is published by Taylorsville City. He referenced a need to make those lines less blurred and make citizens aware that only one particular section is content-controlled by the City. He said that editors have agreed to work toward making a clearer distinction in this regard.

7:39:33 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess stated that he has not seen any issues within the newsletter and no elected officials have ever been promoted in the “Council Corner” article. He observed that the Council’s article is merely used to inform residents as to what is happening in Taylorsville. He said he is fine with having a Council Member who is not running for election write the articles and does not see a need to change the Journal’s current format.

7:40:14 PM Mr. Cowdell confirmed that there have been no big problems, but the publisher has put the City on notice that he has editorial discretion and there may be a day when he publishes an article that City officials are not going to like. He said that the purpose of meeting with the publisher was to better articulate what the City’s role/space is and what the publisher’s role/space

is. He acknowledged that some small changes will likely be seen to more clearly define the City's space in the Journal.

7:41:35 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson suggested that editorial control will dictate what content is published in the Journal and will take care of any issues that arise. He noted that the "Council Corner" does not list an author, but most often is written by the Council Chair.

7:42:52 PM Mr. Cowdell relayed that the publisher has put the City on notice that he has editorial discretion.

7:43:40 PM City Administrator John Taylor cited the need to ensure that residents do not perceive that the City is using public funds to sway votes for a candidate or an initiative. He stated that very clear lines need to be drawn in order to avoid potential litigation.

7:44:20 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess expressed that he does not want to see a lot of drastic changes, as he believes the current newsletter is very professional and valuable.

7:45:09 PM Mr. Cowdell said that the City's section will be grouped a little more separately, but that should be the only change. He relayed that this presentation tonight is just informational.

7:45:15 PM Council Member Dama Barbour asked how much the City pays the Journal to publish the newsletter each month. Mr. Taylor said that they are paid \$2,900 each month. Mr. Cowdell reiterated that Taylorsville controls everything that goes into the space bought by the City. He said the editor will simply re-group and mark City articles separately to make it clearer which content is from the City and which sections are from the paper's reporters. He explained that the general idea is that the City's space should not be used to promote a candidate during the 90 days before the election.

7:50:31 PM Chair Overson agreed that redesigning the Journal a little and putting everything from the City in one spot will make it clearer as to what is generated by the City.

7.5 ICSC Update – *Wayne Harper*

7:51:50 PM Economic Development Director Wayne Harper reported on the recent International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) event that he and Mayor Larry Johnson attended in Las Vegas, Nevada.

7:52:25 PM Mr. Harper said that he and the Mayor had 16 scheduled appointments this year with different brokerage firms and retail clients, compared with 17 in 2014, nine in 2013, and 11 in 2012. He relayed that they had an additional six unscheduled meetings with different retail companies. He reported that the number of retail tenants represented in the meetings this year

was 34, with 24 in 2014, 15 in 2013, and 10 in 2012. He observed that a lot more businesses were met with this year. Mr. Harper stated that they met with 13 brokers and seven developers.

7:53:29 PM Mr. Harper reported that there is currently little retail interest in the West Point Shopping Center, other than brokers who want to put storage units in the Kmart building.

7:54:07 PM Mr. Harper reported on Westwood Center and said there is high interest there from owners of the property in carving out two pads in front for restaurants. He relayed that there are three restaurants currently looking at that space and the owners will need to make some upgrades to the center and the parking lot.

7:54:43 PM Mr. Harper relayed that Meadowbrook Plaza has received bids to do a new façade and an upgrade of the retail center. He noted that they have active interest from a 12,000 square foot user for the south side. This would result in the center being about 80% full.

7:55:17 PM Mr. Harper said that R.C. Willey is looking at indoor storage with about 20,000-30,000 square feet of inline retail and two or three pad sites. He observed that a good result could be seen with this property.

7:55:45 PM Mr. Harper gave an update on Legacy Plaza at 54th. He cited letters of intent from seven different groups, with two leases signed (Zaxby's and Mattress Firm) and buildings underway. He reported that there is a lot of interest in the property and Legacy Plaza at 54th seems to be doing very well.

7:56:20 PM Mr. Harper reported on the Crossroads of Taylorsville, where theaters and restaurants are planned on the north end. He said a commencement kick-off will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. and everyone is invited to attend that event. He cited four demolition permits that have been pulled to take down the Jiffy Lube, the Blanket Store, the Round Table Pizza, and the Castle of Chaos buildings shortly. He relayed that he has also received verbal confirmation of a couple of leases that have been signed for this property.

7:57:13 PM Mr. Harper observed that there is currently lots of focus on activity in Taylorsville. He noted that activity begets activity. He said that brokers are now realizing the potential for commissions related to 5400 South and Redwood Road.

7:58:07 PM Mr. Harper suggested that Taylorsville could become the "Deli Capital" of Salt Lake County. He cited Great Harvest Bread, Subway, Firehouse Subs, Jimmy John's, Even Stevens, Potbelly Sandwich Shop, Beach Hut Deli, McAlister's Deli, and Mountain Mike's, who could all potentially be in the Taylorsville area.

[7:58:46 PM](#) Mr. Harper stated that brokers mainly want to meet with property owners and other brokers and are most interested in having the City validate information and serve in a supporting role.

[7:59:16 PM](#) Mr. Harper said that the retail market is changing and large big box tenants are not as plentiful and are not building as large of stores.

[7:59:44 PM](#) Mr. Harper relayed that Taylorsville had more appointments at the conference than any other city in Utah. He reported that ICSC was very productive.

[8:00:36 PM](#) Mayor Johnson added that there is some interest in corners of Taylorsville and the City is just waiting to hear back from brokers. He relayed that the Firehouse Subs Regional Representative lives in Taylorsville. The Mayor said that he felt efforts made at ICSC were very successful. He thanked Mr. Harper for all he does.

[8:02:25 PM](#) Council Member Burgess stated excitement in knowing that people are wanting to come to Taylorsville. He said that Taylorsville's economy is much better than it was four years ago. He expressed appreciation for all that is done.

[8:02:52 PM](#) Council Member Brad Christopherson expressed appreciation for attendance at this year's conference and the efforts being made. He noted that current developments are also the result of much work done in prior years by prior elected officials. He observed that economic development takes time. He cited efforts that started multiple years ago and have now produced results. He stated that this is good news for Taylorsville.

[8:03:58 PM](#) Chair Overson asked how Council Members might help with economic development efforts. Mr. Harper suggested supporting property owners and taking opportunity to express appreciation.

[8:04:40 PM](#) Council Member Dan Armstrong thanked those involved for their time and efforts. He questioned whether anything can be done to help businesses out near the old Kmart. Mr. Harper referenced a City ordinance adopted about a year ago to increase signage for those businesses. He acknowledged that businesses have suffered because of the through-turns. Council Member Armstrong asked whether a light is still planned at the intersection west of Bangerter Highway. Mr. Harper indicated that no progress has been made on the north side, as one property owner is still holding out. He said other property owners are attempting to work with him. He noted that UDOT has given permission to put in the light, but the final right-of-way must be obtained first. He relayed that the interchange improvement is still years out, but budget has been approved and construction is scheduled for FY 2017.

8:08:00 PM Mr. Harper noted that businesses are really appreciative of the City's willingness to listen and visit with them. He relayed that new UDOT personnel have recently taken over projects and seem to be more business-focused.

7.6 Discussion Regarding Water Conservation Awareness – *Kristie Overson*

8:08:59 PM Chair Kristie Overson called for discussion regarding water conservation awareness in Taylorsville. She cited a resolution adopted by Salt Lake County regarding water conservation and asked what Taylorsville might do conservation-wise. She questioned whether the City should be promoting the Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District and their efforts.

8:09:57 PM Mayor Johnson referenced a meeting he attended recently with Jordan Water Conservancy District. He stated that water availability is still okay and there is no need to ration in Taylorsville, but citizens need to be conservative and careful with water usage. He said he likes Salt Lake County's resolution and the advice to only water at night.

8:11:26 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong observed that water issues will be an increasing problem and suggested putting some water-wise ideas in the City's newsletter. He stated his belief that one day water is going to be really scarce.

8:12:14 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson suggested reminding residents to use good conservation practices and also being wise stewards of City resources. He noted that Jeffrey Summerhays may have some valuable input.

8:12:55 PM Council Member Armstrong relayed that the LARP Committee is going to have some ideas for water-wise landscaping at the Taylorsville Dayzz Booth.

8:13:32 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson asked about any option included in City ordinance to not have grass in a park strip. Principal Planner Michael Meldrum said that there is an option for having no grass in code, but there is also a requirement to have 100% landscaping in a residential zone. He noted that language regarding water-efficient landscaping was adopted in the new Land Development Code which is applicable for multi-family, commercial, and office development. He relayed that this is a much higher requirement than what was in code previously and it seems to be working well with new commercial projects in the City.

8:14:54 PM Council Member Dama Barbour said she does not believe an ordinance is needed, but residents should be encouraged to conserve water. Chair Overson agreed that information and encouragement should be provided. She cited avenues for spreading the word about the need to conserve water, i.e. word of mouth, setting an example, the Green Committee, newsletters, City website, social media posts, etc.

8:15:59 PM Mayor Johnson stated that he is willing to include an article on water conservation as part of his "Mayor's Message," or the Council could also choose to address the subject as part of their "Council Corner" section of the newsletter.

8:16:51 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess cited the need to be conscientious and wise in order to avoid water waste. He agreed with the need to help educate citizens.

8:17:29 PM Chair Overson thanked Public Information Officer Tiffany Janzen for her email with Facebook comments on water conservation.

8:18:07 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong suggested not watering City property during the day. City Administrator John Taylor explained that a controller error was discovered and will be repaired by the end of the week.

8:19:01 PM Mayor Johnson noted that the only lawn the City is responsible for is at the City Center; the rest is the responsibility of Salt Lake County. He cited the need to address water issues with the County and make sure they are on board.

8:19:59 PM Council Member Burgess suggested listing in the City newsletter those properties for which the City is responsible.

8:20:21 PM Chair Overson called for discussion regarding whether or not to support the County placing the gas tax option on the ballot this year or next.

8:21:04 PM Mr. Taylor suggested letting Salt Lake County know through the wording of a resolution that Taylorsville supports the issue going on the ballot.

8:21:46 PM Council Member Christopherson said he is supportive of a resolution stating favor of the gas tax option going on the ballot and then letting the County choose the year. He suggested that the higher number of voters the better. He added that he feels next year would be better, but does not oppose this year. He stated that it needs to be clear that this is not the City's option. Mr. Taylor said he would like clear language in the resolution on the City's position.

8:23:44 PM Council Member Barbour proposed supporting Salt Lake County in putting the gas tax option to a vote of the people in whatever year they choose. Mr. Taylor suggested expressing support of the tax option on the ballot with a recommendation of 2016, but stating a willingness to support 2015. He agreed to verbally advise ULCT what is coming and to have a resolution ready to consider at the June 17th City Council Meeting.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

8:25:57 PM Council Member Barbour asked that someone who deals with water features be scheduled to come and talk about possibilities and ideas for a water feature on the City Center property. Mr. Taylor stated that he does not know anyone who is in favor of a water feature. Council Member Barbour cited interest in just having an aesthetic water feature. She said she would like to hear information regarding water features, costs, and maintenance needs. Mr. Taylor agreed to find someone who can provide information and bring a discussion back for the Council. He stated that he will meet with Council Member Barbour to find out specific ideas and then arrange for a discussion.

8:29:21 PM Council Member Barbour relayed that there is currently no sound for the broadcast of this meeting on Channel 17. Mr. Taylor noted that some testing is being conducted and the sound was turned off about 20 minutes ago to identify a conversion problem.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

8:30:09 PM

- 9.1 **Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, June 9, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 **City Council Social Media Question and Answer, Wednesday, June 17, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.**
- 9.3 **City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, June 17, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.4 **City Council Meeting – Wednesday, June 17, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.**

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

8:30:35 PM

- 10.1 ***Taylorsville Expressway Master Plan Open House: Thursday, June 18, 2015 – 6:00 p.m., Taylorsville City Hall. This will be an open house event, where you can review planning and design concepts, discuss options with the planning team and City staff, and provide your own ideas and thoughts for the corridor.***
- 10.2 ***Taylorsville Dayzz Celebration – June 25 – 27, 2015 – For a Schedule of Events, Go to the City's Website at www.taylorsvilleut.gov***
- 10.3 ***Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling Announcement: Taylorsville Area Clean-Up Starts Thursday, July 2, 2015: For dumpster placement dates in your area go the following link: <http://wasatchfrontwaste.org/index/php/area-clean-up>***

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

8:32:28 PM At 8:32 p.m., Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale or purchase of real property and also a Closed Session to discuss pending litigation. 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, Armstrong-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

Closed Session Regarding Sale or Purchase of Real Property and Pending Litigation

Those in attendance at the 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; Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington; 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 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, Armstrong-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.



Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 07-08-15

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder