

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, July 16, 2014
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Larry Johnson

Council Members:

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

City Staff:

John Taylor City Administrator
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer

BRIEFING SESSION

6:03:15 PM Chairman Kristie Overson 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.

1. Review Agenda

6:03:26 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed.

6:04:16 PM Council Member Dama Barbour called for an update on the plans for broadcasting Council Meetings on Comcast Channel 17. She indicated that citizens have called her to report that they are missing the broadcasts. City Administrator John Taylor said that the cable broadcast issue has been fixed and the security camera upgrade should be made soon. He anticipated that broadcasting capabilities will be in place by the first of August.

6:05:18 PM Chair Overson thanked Mr. Taylor for taking care of a speed limit sign for her. She relayed that it is now up and looks great.

6:05:57 PM Chair Overson mentioned that she would like to prioritize a list of potential city projects at a future Work Session. Council Member Dama Barbour suggested scheduling a planning session to receive an update on all projects that were previously discussed with Taylorsville Planning Commissioners. City Administrator John Taylor agreed to provide an update on previously discussed projects, i.e. gateway signs, etc., during the August Work Session.

6:08:53 PM Mayor Johnson relayed a willingness to update the Council on any projects at any time. He noted that funded projects are going forward and he is excited to see the progress being made.

6:09:26 PM Council Member Barbour inquired about the status of the sprinkling system at the Azure Meadow Park. She referenced the Azure Meadow Park Facebook Page where comments from concerned citizens are being posted. Mr. Taylor said the sprinkler system was working as of a few days ago, but agreed to follow up to confirm that it is still in working condition.

6:10:49 PM It was noted that the Closed Sessions listed on tonight's agenda will not be needed this evening.

6:11:06 PM Mayor Johnson asked that the word be spread about the Town Meeting scheduled for July 31, 2014. He indicated that law enforcement officials will make a presentation on crime prevention and safety in neighborhoods at that Town Meeting.

3. Adjourn

6:12:00 PM Chair Overson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Lt. Mike Schoenfeld, UPD
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director
Steve Prokopis, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Marsha Thomas, Judge

Citizens: Leon Barrett, Joan White, Nathan Beckstead, Royce Larsen, Brett McIff, Marin McIff, Master Sergeant Patrick Watkins, Carol Watkins, Miranda Rankin, Kaylee Marshall, Gordon Willardson, Mason Mansfield, Jack Murphey, Russ Howell, Dena Richardson, Mathew Peters, Josh Bloom, Margaret Player

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

6:30:30 PM Chairman Kristie Overson 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 of Allegiance -*Youth Council*

6:31:05 PM Youth Council Member Miranda Rankin directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Reverence – *Youth Council* (Opening Ceremonies For August 6, 2014 to be arranged by the Youth Council)

Youth Council Member Kaley Marshall offered the Reverence.

1.3 Citizen Comments

6:32:34 PM Chairman Kristie Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. She then called for any citizen comments.

6:33:25 PM Gordon Willardson recognized the time and sacrifice given by members of the City Council on behalf of the City. He commented on the community garden and said that the general consensus of those he has spoken to is that the city should donate land and water, but everything else should come from volunteer efforts and citizen donations. He expressed concern about multiple families living in a single home and cited the related impact to his neighborhood with additional vehicles being parked on streets. He also commented on issues caused for snow plow drivers by extra vehicles on city streets. He described an incident with a rental home in his area and questioned the zoning for rental properties.

6:39:56 PM Chair Overson asked Community Development Director Mark McGrath to discuss ordinances regarding rental homes and on-street parking with Mr. Willardson. Mr. McGrath and Mr. Willardson left the room to hold additional discussion regarding rental properties and parking.

6:40:03 PM Mason Mansfield commented on the recent incident at the Taylorsville Skate Park and asked that the Skate Park not be closed.

6:40:59 PM Jack Murphey presented a letter, signed by several citizens, in support of the Taylorsville Skate Park. He referenced the recent incident at the Skate Park and listed reasons to keep it open.

6:43:38 PM Russ Howell stated that he moved to Taylorsville five years ago and is happy to be here. He relayed that he turns 65 next month, but is an avid skateboarder and refuses to give it up. He expressed his pride in the Taylorsville Skate Park. He gave appreciation for provision of the Skate Park and thanked the City for its support. He asked that the park be preserved and never be shut down.

6:46:01 PM There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Overson closed the citizen comment period.

1.4 Mayor's Report

1.4.1 Citizen Recognition Award Presentation - *Sgt. Major Patrick Watkins*

6:46:47 PM Mayor Lawrence Johnson recognized Master Sergeant Patrick Watkins who served two tours of duty in Vietnam. The Mayor described the many military commendations awarded

to Sgt. Watkins, including *The Medal of Honor*. The Mayor relayed that Sgt. Watkins desires to donate his awards to the City for display at Taylorsville City Hall. Mayor Johnson asked Sgt. Watkins to comment on the commendations he has received.

6:49:58 PM Sgt. Watkins described his service and his military actions resulting in the medals received. He paid tribute to all the Vietnam Veterans and thanked Taylorsville for the way it has honored veterans. He recognized his wife Carol Watkins. He expressed pride in the City of Taylorsville and the valiant service rendered by the current members of the United States Military.

6:53:47 PM Council Member Dama Barbour noted that Ms. Carol Watkins is also a veteran who served in the marines.

2. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Youth Council - *Marin McIff*

6:54:47 PM Youth Council Chair Marin McIff reported on recent activities and upcoming events for the Taylorsville Youth Council. She relayed that the Youth Council helped with Taylorsville Dayzz events, i.e. the City booth, the 5K race, the parade, etc. She recognized Taylorsville Youth Ambassadors who have participated in several parades. She noted that Youth Council Members are looking forward to the upcoming *Movies in the Park* events. Ms. McIff stated that the Youth Council has recently been re-writing the Youth Council ordinance, which will be presented during an August City Council Meeting. She cited new appointments to Youth Council positions.

6:56:47 PM Chair Overson noted that the Taylorsville float, along with the Youth Ambassadors, won the *Ambassador's Award* in the Taylorsville Dayzz parade. She thanked the Youth Council for their dedication and expressed appreciation for parental support.

6:56:55 PM Ms. McIff noted that the Youth Council enjoys having Chair Overson as its advisor.

3.2 Historic Preservation Committee - *Joan White*

6:57:31 PM Committee Chair Joan White reported on activities of the Taylorsville Historic Preservation Committee.

6:58:31 PM Ms. White noted that the Historic Preservation Committee operates the Taylorsville Bennion Heritage Center on behalf of the City. She relayed that the museum is celebrating being open for 10 years this year with a theme of "*Look How Far We've Come.*" She illustrated photos of the Jones Home Museum. She noted that most items in the home and the garage have been donated by citizens.

7:00:30 PM Ms. White illustrated photos of the farm animals on the Jones property and the old school house.

7:01:13 PM Ms. White described the community garden on the Jones property and presented photos of the gazebo erected on the east lawn. She described the shed that was purchased and decorated as a blacksmith shop. She noted that many donated tools found in the blacksmith shop belonged to William Deverall, an original Taylorsville blacksmith. Ms. White referenced the handicap-accessible bathrooms installed by the City last year and illustrated photos of the recently opened dairy store. She cited events and activities that have been held in that space.

7:03:27 PM Ms. White stated that a swather was donated by Hyrum Smith and has been added to the old barn as part of a farm equipment display. She noted that the Historic Preservation Committee is seeking an Eagle Scout to help clean up the swather and the Bringhurst Shed.

7:04:50 PM Ms. White listed events held at the Heritage Center, i.e. Saturday with Santa, John McEuen Benefit Concert, Halloween Celebrations, Scary Farm, Wedding Receptions, Family Reunions, Birthday Parties, Piano Recitals, Flag Retirement Ceremony, Eagle Projects, etc.

7:07:08 PM Ms. White relayed that over \$40,000 in grant funds has been received during the last ten years for special projects. She described the types of grants received, i.e. Intense Level Surveys, Software Upgrades, Power Point Training, Purchase of Media Equipment, etc. She discussed oral histories that have been gathered from long-time Taylorsville residents. She described a Zoo, Arts and Parks (ZAP) Grant that has covered bus transportation to bring elementary school students for visits to the museum.

7:10:14 PM Ms. White described the *2013 Utah Heritage Foundation Award* received by the museum for its Student Program. She also cited the *Volunteer of Excellence Award* given by the City of Taylorsville. She read a thank you letter from a Jones Family descendant expressing appreciation for care of the Jones property.

7:11:33 PM Ms. White invited those present to the *10th Anniversary Celebration* on Saturday, September 27, 2014, from noon until 6:00 p.m., at the museum.

7:11:51 PM Ms. White confirmed that there are currently nine members on the Historic Preservation Committee. Chair Overson recognized the wonderful efforts of the dedicated

volunteers at the museum. Ms. White thanked City Staff, along with current and former elected officials, for their support over the years.

7:12:48 PM Mayor Johnson noted that many people keep their animals at the Jones Farm.

3.3. Animal Services – *Nathan Beckstead*

7:13:45 PM Nathan Beckstead noted that Animal Services has never received a complaint related to the animals at the Jones Farm Property, as the animals receive excellent supervision and care. He reported on recent animal services provided in Taylorsville.

7:15:06 PM Mr. Beckstead referenced a West Valley City case that was recently highlighted in local news. He cited two kittens that were covered in glue and treated by a vet. He relayed that a full report determined there was no evidence of animal cruelty and the incident was the result of a very unfortunate accident.

7:16:16 PM Mr. Beckstead reviewed statistics for animal licensing in Taylorsville.

7:17:16 PM Mr. Beckstead reported on Shelter Operations and cited statistics for animals saved.

7:18:05 PM Council Member Dama Barbour asked for clarification on issues surrounding recent euthanizations. Mr. Beckstead said that no adoptable pets have been euthanized. He cited the *No Kill Program*.

7:20:27 PM Mr. Beckstead referenced positive results related to the valuable partnership between West Valley City and the City of Taylorsville for animal services.

7:20:31 PM Mr. Beckstead described the *TNR Program* and reviewed related statistics.

7:21:47 PM Mr. Beckstead discussed field operations and noted that there has been a recent increase in calls for service. He explained that there are always fluctuations. He reviewed response times and defined the types of calls received, as follows: priority calls, barking, nuisance, cruelty, stray roam, and stray confined.

7:25:20 PM Mr. Beckstead reported on activities at Millrace Park. He commended park users for taking pride in caring for the park and cited the tremendous volunteer efforts of citizens.

7:26:13 PM Mr. Beckstead reviewed “Benchmarks for Success.”

7:26:43 PM Chair Overson and Council Member Barbour commended Mr. Beckstead for rendering a great report. Vice-Chair Burgess recognized the great care and concern for animals that is reflected by Mr. Beckstead.

3.4 Public Works – Leon Barrett

7:27:48 PM Leon Barrett, Associate Director of Operations for Salt Lake County Public Works, relayed that he is Chair of the Emergency Management Committee for the Utah Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA).

7:28:36 PM Mr. Barrett described a Mutual Aid Agreement that has been developed for the Utah Public Works Emergency Management Alliance. He explained that he would like to introduce this agreement and then it will be up to the City whether Taylorsville would like to participate in such.

19:30:14 Mr. Barrett cited a need for agencies to work together during times of disaster. He cited benefits of working together, as follows: potential need for immediate response; need for specialized equipment/expertise; long-term recovery needs; and FEMA reimbursement, etc. Mr. Barrett illustrated examples of local emergencies, i.e. 1983 floods, Santa Clara floods, Draper and Saratoga Springs debris flows, 1992 Snow Storm event, local windstorms, Herriman fires, collapsed Logan canal, Salt Lake tornado, etc.

Mr. Barrett explained that the Utah Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (UTWARN) Agreement was used as a template for the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement. He noted that it has been accepted by over 85 agencies across the State.

Mr. Barrett described the purposes of the Mutual Aid Agreement as: provides mutual assistance in times of emergency; provides method for reimbursement of costs; and used in conjunction with the State of Utah Mutual Aid Agreement. Mr. Barrett reviewed administrative practices for the agreement through the Emergency Management Committee of the Utah Chapter of APWA. He clarified that the agreement is between agencies and not with APWA. He relayed that participating agencies are responsible to perform at least one annual emergency exercise.

Mr. Barrett described procedures for requesting assistance from members of the alliance. He illustrated photos of national examples of emergencies wherein agencies have assisted one another.

Mr. Barrett addressed procedures covering reimbursable expenses and insurance provisions. He noted that any participating agency may terminate the agreement with or without cause and explained how amendments to the agreement can be made. He listed examples of international emergency situations.

Mr. Barrett cited the Emergency Management Committee's goal to garner 100% participation of all public works agencies in Utah. He provided contact information for the Utah APWA Emergency Management Committee.

Mr. Barrett called for any questions on the mutual aid agreement. Vice-Chair Burgess inquired about the process for participating in the agreement. City Administrator John Taylor confirmed that a mutual aid agreement needs to be put in place and said further discussion will be conducted.

Mr. Barrett invited questions on any other matters related to public works.

7:41:03 PM Council Member Christopherson inquired about the lights in front of the Family Center along Redwood Road. He inquired whether Salt Lake County Public Works can help refurbish and repair some of those light poles. Mr. Taylor said that the County has evaluated the light poles, has established a repair plan, and will likely proceed with repairs after the beginning of the new school year.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no matters for the Consent Agenda.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

6.1 **Resolution No. 14-20 - Approving the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Salt Lake County for Bailiff and Security Services at the Taylorsville Municipal Justice Court - John Taylor**

7:42:31 PM City Administrator John Taylor presented the subject resolution to approve an interlocal agreement with Salt Lake County for the provision of bailiff and security services at the Taylorsville Justice Court. He relayed that there is a cost increase for services, but otherwise the agreement is straight forward and there is no change from last year's agreement. He noted that services will stay the same as those provided last year.

7:43:06 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess asked for clarification on the price increase. Mr. Taylor relayed that the increase is attributed to insurance costs passed through from the county.

7:44:32 PM Chair Overson called for clarification on language found under Amendment Three on Page Two of the agreement. She questioned the date listed, and Mr. Taylor confirmed that the date should be changed to June 30, 2015.

7:45:28 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 14-20 - Approving the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Salt Lake County for Bailiff and Security Services at the Taylorsville Municipal Justice Court, with the needed correction to reflect the expiration date in the agreement as June 30, 2015. 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: Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Armstrong-yes, Barbour-yes and Overson. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7. OTHER MATTERS

There were no other matters.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

There were no new items for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

- 9.1 **Mayor's Town Hall Meeting/Open House - Wednesday, July 30, 2014 - 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 **City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, August 6, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.3 **City Council Meeting - Wednesday, August 6, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.4 **Planning Commission Meeting - Tuesday, August 12, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.5 **City Council Work Session - Wednesday, August 13, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.6 **City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, August 20, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.7 **City Council Meeting - Wednesday, August 20, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.**

7:46:46 PM Mayor Johnson described plans for the Town Hall Meeting scheduled on July 30, 2014. He relayed that members of the Police Department will be available to discuss crime prevention. He asked that City Council Members help encourage a large citizen turnout by spreading the word to constituents.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

7:48:54 PM

- 10.1 Taylorsville City Presents: *Movie in the Park* - "The Lego Movie" at City Hall - Saturday, July 19, 2014 - beginning at 7:00 p.m. The movie begins about 9:00 p.m.**
- 10.2 Public Safety Committee Presents "*Night Out Against Crime*" - Thursday, August 7, 2014, Taylorsville City Hall (Time TBA)**

7:49:33 PM Chair Overson announced that the Arts Council will present a production of "Hair Spray" on August 6, 7, 8, 9, and 11, 2014, at Taylorsville High School, at 7:30 p.m.

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

It was determined that this Closed Session was not needed and discussion regarding real property was not held.

11.2 Discussion Regarding the Professional Competency of an Individual

It was determined that this Closed Session was not needed and discussion regarding professional competency was not held.

12. ADJOURNMENT

7:49:47 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the Closed Session and the City Council Meeting. 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: Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Armstrong-yes, Barbour-yes and Overson. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.



Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 08-06-14

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder