

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

**Wednesday, December 18, 2013**  
**Council Chambers**  
**2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140**  
**Taylorsville, Utah 84129**

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**BRIEFING SESSION**

**Attendance:**

Mayor Jerry Rechtenbach

**Council Members:**

Council Chairman Dama Barbour  
Vice-Chairman Kristie Overson  
Council Member Ernest Burgess  
Council Member Brad Christopherson  
Council Member Larry Johnson

**City Staff:**

John Inch Morgan, City Administrator  
John Brems, City Attorney  
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder  
Aimee Newton, Communications Director  
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director  
John Taylor, Community Service Division Director  
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer  
Donald Adams, Economic Development Director  
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief  
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Bureau Chief  
Kristy Heineman, Deputy Recorder

**BRIEFING SESSION**

**1. Review Administrative Report**

18:00:28 Chairman Dama Barbour conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:00 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present. Chairman Barbour called for questions on the Administrative Report for the Community Development Department, and there were none.

## 2. Review Agenda

18:01:07 The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. City Administrator John Inch Morgan made clarifications on some proposed budget amendments.

## 3. Adjourn

Chair Barbour declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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## REGULAR MEETING

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Aimee Newton, Communications Director  
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Bureau Chief  
Kristy Heineman, Deputy Recorder  
Wayne Harper, Economic Development Specialist  
Marsha Thomas, Judge  
Michael Kwan, Judge

**Citizens:** Royce Larsen, Lee Stevens, Gordon Wolf, Dean Paynter, Dan Armstrong, Brent Garside, Don Quigley, Dana Kramer, Alan Kirkwood, Gordon Willardson, Ray Johnson

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

Chairman Dama Barbour 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 – Council Member Barbour**

18:31:06 City Administrator John Inch Morgan directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **1.2 Reverence – Council Member Barbour (Opening Ceremonies For January 8, 2014 to be arranged by Youth Council)**

18:31:41 Mayor Jerry Rechtenbach offered the Reverence by sharing some thoughts regarding the Christmas season.

### **1.3 Citizen Comments**

18:33:59 Chairman Dama Barbour reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. She then called for any citizen comments.

18:35:34 Dean Paynter described issues at the entrance to his Bennion Heights Neighborhood that the City recently resolved by filling in areas with concrete. He thanked the City for re-investing in the City through beautification efforts. He expressed particular appreciation to Taylorsville employees Lyle Hansen and Rhetta McIff. He presented Mayor Rechtenbach with a signed thank-you card from citizens in the Bennion Heights Neighborhood.

18:38:20 Dan Armstrong spoke in opposition to the proposed ordinance regarding parking on the street. He described scenarios when the proposed ordinance would cause a hardship for his visiting family members.

18:41:01 There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Barbour closed the citizen comment period.

### **1.4 Mayor's Report**

18:41:08 Mayor Rechtenbach commented on his years of service with the City of Taylorsville. He cited specific accomplishments made during the last year. (A copy of the Mayor's Message is attached and incorporated therein as part of this record).

Chair Barbour referenced the years she has served with Mayor Rechtenbach on both the Taylorsville Planning Commission and the City Council and recognized him for his many years of dedicated service. She acknowledged that Mayor Rechtenbach has left the City better than he found it and has made a significant contribution to Taylorsville.

On behalf of the City of Taylorsville, City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented Mayor Rechtenbach with a plaque in recognition of his many years of dedicated service.

18:48:57 Chair Barbour recognized Communications Director Aimee Newton, as this will be her last City Council Meeting, and thanked her for her service.

18:50:23 Council Member/Mayor-Elect Larry Johnson also thanked Mayor Rechtenbach and Ms. Newton for their service to Taylorsville.

## **2. APPOINTMENTS**

### **2.1 Appointment of Lee Ellen Stevens as Ordinance Review Committee Chair - Chair Barbour**

18:51:17 Chair Barbour recognized Lee Stevens and nominated her to serve as Chair of the Ordinance Review Committee.

18:51:24 Council Member Kristie Overson **MOVED** to appoint Lee Stevens as Chair of the Ordinance Review Committee. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

### **2.2 Appointment of Don Quigley to Planning Commission (At-Large Alternate) - Chair Barbour**

18:52:35 Chair Barbour recognized Don Quigley and nominated him to serve as an At-Large Alternate on the Taylorsville planning Commission.

18:52:38 Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to appoint Don Quigley as an At-Large Alternate on the Taylorsville Planning Commission. Council Member Larry Johnson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

### 3. REPORTS

#### 3.1 Unified Fire Authority Quarterly Report - UFA Bureau Chief Jay Ziolkowski

18:53:19 Unified Fire Authority (UFA) Bureau Chief Jay Ziolkowski expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve with both Mayor Jerry Rechtenbach and Aimee Newton.

18:54:13 Chief Ziolkowski referenced the Quarterly Report for UFA, as provided in Council packets. He highlighted some statistics related to fire and medical response in Taylorsville for UFA Stations 117 and 118 only. He noted a transition on July 1, 2013 to a new records management system within UFA. He referenced some differences in the two reporting systems and indicated that this nuance should be rectified in future reports. Chief Ziolkowski acknowledged that Station 109 in Kearns also serves a significant portion of Taylorsville and statistics for that station will be included in the next quarterly report.

18:56:23 Chief Ziolkowski relayed that there has been a significant decrease in the total number of traffic accidents compared to the previous year. He noted that UFA only responds to traffic accidents where there is a potential medical need and does not attend as many traffic incidents as the Unified Police Department (UPD). He indicated that a decrease in traffic accidents has been seen along 5400 South, even with the implementation of the flex lanes.

18:57:33 Chief Ziolkowski reported on community activities with which UFA has participated, i.e. the *Night Out Against Crime* and *Open Streets* events. He also cited the fire prevention report and described notable calls during the quarter.

18:58:22 Chief Ziolkowski called for any questions from the Council at this point and there were none. He referenced the employee spotlight included in the report on Battalion Chief Ross Fowlks, who has been serving out of Station 118 in Taylorsville for the past year.

18:58:40 Chair Barbour expressed gratitude to UFA personnel for their service to the City.

18:58:54 Chief Ziolkowski relayed that UFA has recently entered into a part-time partnership with West Jordan City's Fire Department for Station 107. He explained that one of West Jordan's stations is under reconstruction. He noted that an additional allocation will increase staffing in Taylorsville effective December 20, 2013 and on January 1, 2014, additional personnel will be added in the City through the annexation to the Fire District.

19:00:00 Council Member Ernest Burgess inquired about methods for housing additional staffing prior to the building of the new fire station. Chief Ziolkowski acknowledged that housing will

be difficult, but room will be made through some temporary reconfiguration. He noted that the housing situation may not be comfortable, but interim accommodations will be provided.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

##### 4.1 Minutes – SCCM 11-13-13, RCCM 11-20-13 & RCCM 12-04-13

19:01:25 Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

#### 5. PLANNING MATTERS

##### 5.1 Public Hearing - 6:30 p.m. - Regarding a Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Map on Property Located at 6020 S. Jordan Canal Road from R-1-20 to R-1-15

19:02:45 Community Development Director Mark McGrath presented an application for re-zoning on property at 6020 South Jordan Canal Road from R-1-20 to R-1-15. He illustrated the area on a vicinity map, an aerial photo, and the General Plan Map. He described the property as .83 of an acre and showed the existing home and detached garage. He indicated that the applicant wants to subdivide his property and build a new single family home on the back acreage. Mr. McGrath illustrated the property on a proposed subdivision plat and described the size of the proposed lots. He relayed that the Taylorsville Planning Commission has made a unanimous recommendation for approval and Staff also recommends approval of the application.

19:06:24 Council Member Johnson inquired whether the road will be asphalt and Mr. McGrath confirmed that it would have to be a hard road. He noted that he does not yet know of the specific technical requirements, i.e. curb and gutter. He confirmed that there is only room for two homes on the lot without additional re-zoning.

19:07:43 Mr. McGrath reported that Lot 1 is 21,000 square feet; Lot 2 is just under 15,000 square feet; and the driveway will be approximately 3800 square feet. He noted that more details will be determined during the subdivision process.

19:08:41 Chair Barbour opened the public hearing on this matter and called for citizen comments.

19:09:31 Applicant Dana Kramer described the history of changes considered on the property.

19:10:19 There were no additional comments and Chair Barbour declared the public hearing closed.

**5.1.1 Ordinance No. 13-41 - Amending the Zoning Map on 0.832 Acres of Property Located at 6020 S. Jordan Canal Road from R-1-20 (Single Family Residential on Minimum Lots of 20,000 Square Feet) to R-1-15 (Single Family Residential on Minimum Lots of 15,000 Square Feet) - Mark McGrath**

19:10:44 Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance No. 13-41 - Amending the Zoning Map on 0.832 Acres of Property Located at 6020 S. Jordan Canal Road from R-1-20 (Single Family Residential on Minimum Lots of 20,000 Square Feet) to R-1-15 (Single Family Residential on Minimum Lots of 15,000 Square Feet). Council Member Larry Johnson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**6. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**6.1 Resolution No. 13-33 - Approving the Reallocation of FY 2013-2014 CDBG Funds for Expansion of Taylorsville Senior Center / Tri-Park Services - John Inch Morgan**

19:11:31 City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented a resolution to reallocate some additional FY 2013-2014 CDBG Funds to be used toward expansion of the Taylorsville Senior Center and also to fund a stipend for workers at the Taylorsville Food Pantry. He explained that an additional \$66,000+ amount was received through the allocation over what was initially anticipated.

19:13:32 Mr. Morgan called for approval of a stipend to be allocated to Tri-Park for \$2,000+ to be used as a stipend for workers at the Food Pantry. He relayed intent to use the other \$63,000 toward the Taylorsville Senior Center expansion.

19:15:59 Chair Barbour noted that senior citizens are looking forward to the expansion at the Senior Center. Mr. Morgan acknowledged that the City owns the Sr. Center building and gave clarification on the contract with Tri-Park Services.

Chair Barbour thanked volunteers for their service at the Food Pantry, i.e. Royce Larsen who was currently in attendance.

19:19:08 Mr. Morgan gave further explanation on the allocation and use of CDBG funds.

19:19:57 Council Member Ernest Burgess cited the need for expansion at the Senior Center.

19:20:18 Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 13-33 - Approving the Reallocation of FY 2013-2014 CDBG Funds for Expansion of Taylorsville Senior Center / Tri-Park Services. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**6.2     Resolution No. 13-34 - To Approve the Purchase of High Resolution LiDar Elevation Data Between the Salt Lake County Surveyor's Office and the City of Taylorsville in the Amount of \$2,401.30 - John Inch Morgan**

19:20:58 City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented the subject resolution to approve an interlocal with the Salt Lake County Surveyor's Office for High Resolution LiDar Elevation Data. He explained that this is for the purchase of aerial photography and the price is a low amount when participating with the County Surveyor's Office. He stressed that the price of \$2,401 is a bargain. Mayor Rechtenbach gave additional clarification on the history of aerial photography services.

Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 13-34 - To Approve the Purchase of High Resolution LiDar Elevation Data between the Salt Lake County Surveyor's Office and the City of Taylorsville in the Amount of \$2,401.30. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**6.3     Public Hearing - 6:30 p.m. - Regarding Proposed Amendments to the Current Budget for FY 2013-2014**

19:24:34 City Administrator John Inch Morgan made explanation on the need to open the budget to make some mid-year budget adjustments. He referenced the proposed budget adjustments presented to the City Council for review at last week's Council Meeting.

19:25:25 Mr. Morgan relayed that most proposals are new revenues from outside monies coming in and corresponding expenditures, i.e. grants that have already been received.

19:26:55 Mr. Morgan cited some other proposed adjustments for additional expenditures for the Council's consideration, i.e. an unused police officer allocation for ½ year.

19:28:44 Chief of Finance Scott Harrington said there were no additional changes to the proposed mid-year budget adjustments, other than one issue discussed earlier with Council Members regarding an employee payout for accrued leave. Mr. Harrington cited a need to have a budget line for this potential purpose. Chair Barbour agreed with the need to consider including such a budget line to handle leave payouts.

Council Members expressed appreciation to Mr. Morgan and Mr. Harrington for making themselves available to answer budget-related questions.

19:31:38 Council Member Ernest Burgess asked for additional clarification on the proposal for a ½ year police officer allocation. Mr. Harrington confirmed that a ½ year allocation in the amount of approximately \$76,000 has been included in the current budget. He noted that first year costs for a police officer are a little higher due to equipment that must be purchased. He indicated that potential funding for a full-year's allocation next year would be slightly under \$110,000.

19:33:10 Mr. Harrington mentioned that an allocation for cell phone upgrades for officers has also been included in the mid-year budget and that amount will double next year if funding is continued. He explained that the provision of cell phones allows officers to more efficiently report and assess data while at a crime scene. He noted that some officers are currently relying on personal cell phones at crime scenes, which may not be a good practice

19:33:29 Mr. Morgan gave additional clarification regarding augmented cell phone services that have become available since the merge to UPD. He cited issues with officers using personal phones to gather evidence, etc. Council Member Burgess noted benefits in using cell phones that belong to the department.

19:36:21 Mr. Harrington confirmed that only cell phones for officers assigned in Taylorsville will be paid for by the City; and if an officer leaves the Taylorsville precinct, the cost for that particular officer's phone goes away.

19:36:48 Chair Barbour recognized members of the Taylorsville Budget Committee and called for any comments.

19:37:12 Gordon Wolf spoke on behalf of the Budget Committee, as Budget Chair Lynn Handy could not be in attendance. Mr. Wolf cited questions that Budget Committee Members previously asked of Mr. Harrington. Mr. Wolf indicated that all of those questions were

sufficiently answered and the Budget Committee recommends that the Council approve Ordinance 13-39 regarding mid-year budget adjustments.

19:38:59 Chair Barbour opened the public hearing on this matter and called for any citizen comments.

19:39:04 There were no comments, and Chair Barbour declared the public hearing closed.

19:39:18 Council Member Ernest Burgess asked Mr. Wolf whether Budget Committee Members received the proposed amendments with sufficient time for review. Mr. Wolf confirmed that they did.

**6.3.1 Ordinance No. 13-39 - Amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 General Fund, Federal Grants Fund, Cemetery Fund, Economic Development Fund, Capital Project Fund and Storm Drain Fund Budgets  
- John Inch Morgan**

19:40:09 Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance No. 13-39 - Amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 General Fund, Federal Grants Fund, Cemetery Fund, Economic Development Fund, Capital Project Fund and Storm Drain Fund Budgets, including the \$25,000 change for the leave payout. Council Member Kristie Overson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**7. OTHER MATTERS**

**7.1 Resolution No. 13-35 - Approving an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with West Jordan City for Temporary Justice Court Services - John Inch Morgan**

19:41:29 City Administrator John Inch Morgan asked City Attorney John Brems to present this matter. Mr. Brems explained that the subject resolution is to approve an interlocal for the City to provide temporary judicial services to West Jordan City if there should be a need. He said he has no knowledge of any other entities entering into an interlocal agreement such as this.

19:43:57 Council Member Johnson inquired why this potential interlocal has come about. Mr. Brems said he believes West Jordan City anticipates a need for judge services. He expressed opinion that this will not negatively impact the effectiveness of Taylorsville City's Court.

19:44:41 Council Member Johnson asked whether West Jordan will be adopting the same agreement and Mr. Brems confirmed that they will. Council Member Johnson questioned whether the City can cancel the agreement with 30 days notice and Mr. Brems affirmed that is the case. He also acknowledged that travel time is covered.

19:45:46 Council Member Johnson asked Judge Marsha Thomas whether this will affect the Taylorsville Court's schedule. Judge Thomas explained that court schedules can be shifted, as needed. She noted that if it is found that excess capacity cannot match up with this arrangement, there is a right to cancel. She observed that cities have always worked together and said she anticipates that will be the case in this instance. Mr. Brems confirmed that West Jordan may also cancel the agreement if needed.

19:47:14 Chair Barbour indicated that she previously visited with Judge Thomas regarding this issue and thanked her for her time and input.

19:47:34 Council Member Burgess inquired whether Taylorsville judges will use the West Jordan facility. Mr. Brems confirmed that the Taylorsville judge will use the West Jordan Courthouse. He reiterated that if this arrangement does not work, the agreement can be terminated.

19:48:16 Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 13-35 - Approving an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with West Jordan City for Temporary Justice Court Services. Council Member Kristie Overson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7.2 Consideration of **Ordinance No. 13-36** - Amending Chapter 18.03 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances and **Ordinance No. 13-37** - Amending Title 8 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances (Regarding Animal-Related Violations) - *John Brems*

19:50:30 City Attorney John Brems described the need to change City ordinance in regard to animal-related violations. He cited intent to remove criminal penalties for some animal control violations. He referenced instances when animal-related violations will now be handled by the Administrative Law Judge and cited some provisions that will remain criminal, if needed.

19:50:40 Council Member Brad Christopherson asked whether this is a way to make the process easier and de-criminalize certain animal-related offenses. Mr. Brems acknowledged that it does not make sense to bring someone in for a criminal case in the instance of a barking dog. Council Member Christopherson stated that he believes this is moving in the right direction.

19:51:32 Council Member Ernest Burgess agreed with the need to avoid inappropriate ramifications for animal-related offenses.

19:52:07 Council Member Kristie Overson **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance No. 13-36 - Amending Chapter 18.03 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances. Council Member Larry Johnson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

19:53:01 Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance No. 13-37 - Amending Title 8 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances (Regarding Animal-Related Violations). Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**7.3     Ordinance No. 13-40 - Amending Chapter 11.20.130 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances Regarding Parking Prohibition on City Streets to Accommodate Snow Removal - John Inch Morgan**

19:53:45 City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented a proposed ordinance to amend City code regarding the prohibition of parking on City streets in order to accommodate snow removal. He noted that this topic was first discussed in August, 2013. He cited several potential options for parking during winter months. He said that the ordinance has been drafted for discussion by the Council. Mr. Morgan relayed that some Community Councils have already discussed the proposed ordinance.

19:55:49 Mr. Morgan cited reasons that the current ordinance regarding parking on the street is difficult to enforce during snowfall. He noted that it is very difficult for snow plows to get into neighborhoods when cars are parked on the street. He observed that parking on streets during snow storms also creates dangerous situations when emergency vehicles cannot access residential streets.

19:56:48 Mr. Morgan suggested that if the Council believes the draft ordinance is too severe, other options be presented.

19:57:05 Chair Barbour described comments she has received from constituents on both sides of this issue. She cited one parent who has a handicapped child and cannot access a needed bus because snowplows were unable to clear their street with parked cars in the way.

19:57:46 Chair Barbour invited Lee Stevens, Chair of the Ordinance Review Committee, to present input from the Ordinance Review Committee. Ms. Stevens reported that the Ordinance Review Committee has reviewed the draft ordinance and believes it was well done. She relayed the committee's suggestion that dates be changed under letter C from November 1 to April 1. She noted that these are the same dates used by Salt Lake County.

19:58:33 Ms. Stevens also relayed a suggestion to put a stipulation, under letter D, that roads with vehicles parked will not be plowed. She further recommended that there should be one warning from police officers for vehicles in violation before towing.

19:59:01 Chair Barbour noted that the proposed ordinance is very different than the one that has been reported on the news recently and implemented by a city to the south. She said the proposed Taylorsville ordinance is not related to predatory towing in any way, but towing would be based on calls after adequate warning.

19:59:56 Vice-Chair Kristie Overson expressed appreciation to the Ordinance Review Committee for their thorough review of this matter. She reiterated that the verbiage may be a little unclear in the draft ordinance and agreed that the April 1 date would be more appropriate than April 30. Ms. Stevens clarified that, with inclusion of the suggestions made, the Ordinance Review Committee is recommending going forward with the proposed ordinance.

20:00:49 Council Member Johnson inquired who would be monitoring vehicles in violation. He cited a potential gap in the hours recommended. He stated that he is very much against towing vehicles because of the potential expense to citizens.

20:01:37 Signage in West Valley City was referenced and it was observed that the language on those is quite restrictive. Council Member Johnson suggested that ticketing those in violation is more appropriate than towing vehicles. He said he believes the punishment of impound is too steep in the proposed ordinance and said the City must be fair to citizens.

20:03:07 Chair Barbour agreed that she does not like to see cars towed, but said there is currently no way to enforce the current ordinance.

20:03:29 Mr. Morgan asked UPD Chief Tracy Wyant to provide input. Chief Wyant said that, from a law-enforcement standpoint, it is prohibitive to try and enforce a parking ordinance with a one-hour grace period or an accumulation standard. He suggested that officers are too busy to provide surveillance on a vehicle for an hour to see if it moves on a residential street. He stated that this is simply not practical. He observed that this is an "all or nothing" scenario and either an ordinance that is enforceable must be drafted, or it be left alone. He said anything in between is counter-productive. The Chief agreed that leaving the ordinance alone, or restricting an ordinance to the point that it is not enforceable, provides a "free-for-all."

20:05:09 Council Member Brad Christopherson cited problems created for snow plows when cars are parked on streets and the increased costs for bringing snow plows back a second time. Mr. Morgan agreed that parking on streets creates problems for snow plows and results in increased costs when they must come back after cars are moved.

20:06:10 City Engineer John Taylor agreed to provide cost estimates for repeat snow plow services and for potential road damage when snow cannot be adequately removed. He noted that snow plows must slow down on roads where cars are parked. He said there are some variables to be considered, but there are definitely increased costs and added inconveniences associated with this issue.

20:07:33 Chair Barbour suggested that the Ordinance Review Committee take another thorough look at the ordinance and the recommendations made, and put together an ordinance in the best interest of all citizens. It was relayed that the Ordinance Review Committee will meet again the third week in January and could work on the ordinance before the January 22, 2014 City Council Meeting. It was also suggested that Community Councils could provide additional input to the City Administrator or Vice-Chair Overson, who advises the Ordinance Review Committee. It was asked that the Ordinance Review Committee bring back its best suggestion.

20:09:51 Council Member Johnson agreed that Community Councils should be involved in providing input on this matter.

20:10:39 Chair Barbour noted that all home owners pay for services to be provided to them and the Police Department is paid to do a job. She suggested that proper tools must be given to police officers and snow plow operators, so that they can render those services paid for by taxes.

20:11:43 It was determined to table consideration of this ordinance until the January 22, 2014 City Council Meeting.

20:12:12 Council Member Burgess cited the need for Council Members who are attending Community Council Meetings to bring citizen input back to the Ordinance Review Committee. Chair Barbour encouraged those citizens present to provide input to their Community Councils.

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

20:13:00 Council Member Brad Christopherson cited a discussion he recently had with Brent Garside. He indicated that Mr. Garside has requested that a paper copy of the Council Meeting packet be left at the reception desk on Fridays. It was relayed that Mr. Garside also wishes to have more detailed information added to agendas.

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

20:15:22

- 9.1 City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, January 8, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.
- 9.2 City Council Meeting - Wednesday, January 8, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.
- 9.3 RDA Board Meeting - Wednesday, January 8, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.
- 9.4 Planning Commission Meeting - Tuesday, January 14, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.
- 9.5 City Council Work Session - Wednesday, January 15, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.
- 9.6 City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, January 22, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.
- 9.7 City Council Meeting - Wednesday, January 22, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.
- 9.8 Town Meeting/Open House - Wednesday, January 29, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.

**10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

20:15:32

- 10.1 *Swearing-In Ceremony for Newly-Elected Taylorsville Officials - Monday, January 6, 2014 - 12:00 p.m. (Noon) - Council Chambers, Taylorsville City Hall, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd.*

**11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)**

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

20:15:56 Council Member Larry Johnson **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale or purchase of real property at 8:15 p.m. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

**CLOSED SESSION - Sale or Purchase of Real Property**

Those in attendance at this Closed Session were: City Administrator John Inch Morgan; Council Members Barbour, Burgess, Christopherson, Johnson, and Overson; City Attorney John Brems; Community Services Division Director John Taylor; Economic Development Director Donald Adams; Economic Development Specialist Wayne Harper; Chief of Finance 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 Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the Closed Session and the City Council Meeting. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dama Barbour called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Burgess-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

  
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 01-08-14

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

## Mayor's Message

### Final Farewell from Mayor Rechtenbach

In a few short weeks my year serving as Mayor of Taylorsville will come to a close. It has been an honor to serve as your Mayor and I have enjoyed the time, and the associations that I have made during my service. As I reflect back on the year 2013, as most of us do this time of year, I thought I would highlight a few of the accomplishments during the year.

- **Traffic and Transportation:** We lobbied for and obtained \$4.2 million from the state legislature that will fund several important transportation projects, and we worked hard to improve our relationship with UDOT to accomplish some important objectives for the City, these include:
  - *Prairie View/Gold Medal Drive safety improvements;*
  - *Pedestrian bridge over 6200 South to Westbrook Elementary*
  - *East-West pedestrian trail development that will connect Valley Regional Parks with the Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Museum on 4800 South;*
  - *Successfully negotiated with UDOT to allow construction of an entrance to Walmart from 5400 South, which has been key to attracting new business to the location.*
  
- **Community Outreach and Neighborhood Revitalization:** created programs focused on better communication with residents, and enhancements of our neighborhoods. These include:
  - Organized 10 Community Councils;
  - Implemented neighborhood cleanup programs;
  - Reinvented the Code Enforcement program to be more community friendly, and to focus on chronic problem areas;
  - Reconstructed two neighborhood parks.
  
- **Economic Development:** It has always been clear to me that economic development is the life-blood and the future of Taylorsville. As we are successful in bringing fresh new business to Taylorsville, we stabilize our revenue base, and create an inviting community for business and resident alike. Some of the economic development initiatives we have focused on during 2013 include:
  - Opening of the new Markosian Auto Center on Redwood Road;
  - Successfully negotiated a joint venture between the city, local developer, and an anchor tenant to redevelop the shopping center known as Plaza 5400 (Furniture Warehouse site on 5400 South and Redwood Road).

- Negotiated with a new major entertainment anchor to go into Plaza 5400, which has also created much interest in new restaurants there. The city hopes to name the entertainment user early next year;
  - Developed relationships with Salt Lake County Government that resulted in a recent announcement by Mayor Ben McAdams of a partnership undertaking to reinvent, and even transform the Family Center into a vibrant and progressive center;
  - Negotiated with a major developer to purchase the property adjacent to American Express, where they will begin constructing new commercial buildings in the coming year;
  - Negotiated the purchase of a 2.5 acre section of City Center property for commercial development;
  - We are still a front runner to be awarded the site for Salt Lake County's new Regional Performing Arts Center.
- **General Accomplishments:** In 2013, we received the overwhelming approval of the residents of Taylorsville to proceed with an initiative that I introduced in 2012 as a City Council Member; to join the Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA). The effects of this action include:
    - The City will receive enhanced fire and emergency medical service immediately as the Unified Fire Authority will increase the number of personnel serving the City;
    - The UFSA has already begun negotiating to buy a piece of property to build the replacement for Fire Station 117 that currently is located on Redwood Road across from the Salt Lake Community College;
    - The UFSA, as soon as the property has been acquired, will commence construction of the new fire station
    - This new fire station will house more fire and emergency medical personnel, and will have all the most current and modern apparatus and equipment, thus enhancing the safety of Taylorsville residents;
    - Due to economies of scale and other effects, this change in the fire service will cost less in the long run, than it would if the change were not made.

So, as I complete my term as Mayor of Taylorsville, I am comfortable in saying that I am leaving the City better than it was when I found it. If the initiatives and programs we have begun are continued, I firmly believe that the result will be a better Taylorsville, and a place that we all can be proud to call our home.