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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, September 18, 2019
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Kristie Overson

Council Members:

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

City Staff:

Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Wayne Harper, Economic/Community Dev. Dir.
Jean Ashby, Economic Development Assistant
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief

Excused: City Administrator John Taylor and Council Coordinator Kristy Heineman

6:00 BRIEFING SESSION

Chairman Dan Armstrong conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:03 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

1. Review Agenda

The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. Council Member Meredith Harker asked about scheduling of the Tree Planting event at Bennion Park. It was confirmed that this event will be held on October 10, 2019.

2. Adjourn

Chairman Armstrong declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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City Staff:

Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Assistant Chief
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Wayne Harper, Economic/Community Dev. Dir.
Richard Rich, UFA Captain
Kim Horiuchi, Communications Director
Jean Ashby, Economic Development Assistant

Excused: City Administrator John Taylor and Council Coordinator Kristy Heineman

Others: Lynn Handy, Lynette Wendel, UPD Detective Scott Lloyd, John Gidney, Sergeant Brett Miller, Officer Dennis Decker, Officer Anthony Martinez, Susan Yadeskie, Lisa Butterfield, Casey Taylor, Doug Stowell, Maranda Weatherman, Melanie Bennett, Kathy Schuster, Oanh Le-Spradlin, Lisa Gehrke, Jeanaea Lorton, Marc McElreath, Casey Taylor, Carl Fauver, Doug Stowell, Emily Barnes, Janice Fields, Derek Moss, Anna Boynton, Norma Boynton, Alan Naumann, David Young, Dave Kotter, Andrew Nelson, Andy Keyes, and Mary Ann Merchant.

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Chairman Daniel Armstrong called the meeting to order at 6:33 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 – *Mayor Overson* (Opening Ceremonies for October 2, 2019 to be arranged by Youth Council)

 6:34 PM Mayor Kristie Overson directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

UPD Detective Scott Lloyd offered the Reverence.

1.2 Mayor's Report

 6:44 PM Mayor Kristie Overson reported on the ChamberWest Fall Conference that took place earlier in the day. She relayed that she represented Taylorsville at a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Ace Hardware Store last week and at another recent ribbon cutting for My Salon Suites. The Mayor referenced the successful Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) Annual Convention held last week. She announced that interviews were conducted earlier today for new Youth Council recruits. The new Youth Council and Youth Ambassadors will be officially presented to the City Council in two weeks.

 6:46 PM Mayor Overson described her recent attendance at a two-day Water School presented by the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District (JVWCD). She has invited JVWCD representatives to come and render a presentation regarding water conservation at a future City Council Meeting. She cited the city's presentation made this week to the Tourism Recreation Cultural and Convention (TRCC) Board for funding upgrades at Taylorsville Park. She observed that the city's application for these funds is strong and it is hopeful that TRCC funding will be received for park improvements.

 6:48 PM The Mayor described a Unified Police Department (UPD) Finance Meeting that took place yesterday where she reminded members of Taylorsville's strong commitment to public safety. She referenced an opportunity to meet with new Taylorsville Precinct officers and commended the high caliber of officers in the precinct. Mayor Overson cited a \$50 donation received from a Taylorsville couple to be used specifically for the Taylorsville Precinct. She added that the same Taylorsville residents also sent another note indicating that they plan to make a monthly donation to the precinct for as long as possible. The Mayor stated appreciation for this generous gesture and commitment.

1.2.1 UFA/EMT Recognition

 6:35 PM Mayor Overson recognized Assistant UFA Chief Jay Ziolkowski. Chief Ziolkowski then introduced UFA Battalion Captain Richard Rich, who is now Taylorsville's official liaison with the Unified Fire Authority (UFA). Chief Ziolkowski described life-saving events that took place during a lightning strike last summer in Fillmore, Utah when Scott and Chloe Robinson were injured by lightning and immediate aid was rendered. *Life-Saving Awards* and *UFA Challenge Coins* were presented to the following individuals: Dave Kotter, Andrew Nelson, Andy Keyes, and Mary Ann Merchant. The Mayor expressed appreciation for the heroic actions by all involved that resulted in such a positive outcome.

 6:42 PM Andrew Nelson described how he arranged for CPR training for youth in his area through his Eagle Scout project.

 6:43 PM Chief Ziolkowski relayed that CPR classes will be offered at Taylorsville City Hall beginning October 1, 2019.

1.3 Citizen Comments

 6:51 PM Chairman Dan Armstrong reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. He then called for any citizen comments.

 6:52 PM Alan Naumann introduced himself as a resident of West Valley City whose wife operates her business in Taylorsville. He expressed support for an initiative through new legislative House Bill 411 regarding a Renewable Energy Bill. He asked the city to adopt a resolution to begin the process of rate-making with Rocky Mountain Power for renewable energy options in Taylorsville.

 6:53 PM There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Armstrong closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

3. REPORTS

3.1 UPD Awards – *Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant*

 6:54 PM Unified Police Department (UPD) Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant presented precinct awards to the following individuals:

Officer Anthony Martinez - *July 2019 Officer of the Month*
Officer Dennis Decker – *August 2019 Officer of the Month*
Sergeant Brett Miller – *September 2019 Officer of the Month*

 7:00 PM On behalf of the city and UPD, Mayor Kristie Overson and Detective Scott Lloyd recognized Jeanaea Lorton, of the Taylorsville Chick Fil A business, for generous community support.

3.2 Senior Center Report – *Lisa Butterfield*

 7:04 PM Senior Center Manager Lisa Butterfield reported on recent activities and upcoming events at the Taylorsville Senior Center. She cited the Taylorsville Senior Center's 17th anniversary last week. She thanked the City for its support and also cited appreciation for Mayor Overson's regular attendance at monthly Birthday Luncheons at the center.

 7:07 PM Ms. Butterfield addressed questions from the Council and referenced several new members that regularly join activities at the Senior Center. She cited evening events and hours at the center.

3.3 Historic Preservation Committee Report – *Susan Yadeski*

 7:09 PM Committee Chair Susan Yadeski reported on activities and events sponsored by the Historic Preservation Committee. She thanked the city for help with recent improvements at the Heritage Center. She recognized Joan White for her help in writing grants on behalf of the committee. She cited a total of \$49,069 received through various ZAP grants. She relayed that 11,000 students, along with teachers and supervisors, have visited the museum through bus field trips over the years. She cited the committee's current focus on digitizing the library at the Heritage Center.

 7:17 PM Ms. Yadeskie distributed some "*Historic Homes Driving Tour*" books from the Taylorsville-Bennion Area to elected officials and staff.

3.4 Prosecutor/Defense Report – Casey Taylor/Doug Stowell

 7:18 PM Prosecutor Casey Taylor reported on prosecution activity in the Taylorsville Justice Court. He reviewed filing summaries for 2018 and 2019, including misdemeanor cases, traffic cases, and civil/small Claims. He also reviewed comparisons for DUI cases. He cited increased focus and training regarding DUI's and the value of DUI checkpoints.

 7:25 PM Attorney Doug Stowell reported on defense services provided in the Taylorsville Justice Court. He distributed a list of case statistics to elected officials.

 7:28 PM Council Member Harker commented on her valuable experience when visiting the Taylorsville Justice Court on a “Public Defender Day” recently.

 7:29 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess expressed appreciation for the dignified way that service is rendered in the Justice Court.

 7:30 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell commented on the great job being done by those serving in the Court. He stated his tremendous respect for both the Prosecutor and Defender Offices.

3.5 West Valley Animal Services Report – Maranda Weatherman/Melanie Bennett/Kathy Schuster

 7:32 PM West Valley Animal Services Director Maranda Weatherman reported on animal services rendered in Taylorsville during the fourth quarter of 2019. She cited new shelter leadership and introduced Melanie Bennett, Field Services Manager; Erica Stovakin, Animal Care and Enrichment Manager; and Kathy Schuster, Community Services Manager. Ms. Weatherman specifically discussed the following:

- Animal Services Mission Statement
- Field Staffing Levels
- Shelter Operations Statistics
- Field Operations Statistics
- Millrace Dog Park Statistics
- Benchmarks for Success
- Recommended Code Updates

 7:49 PM UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant thanked Ms. Weatherman for her leadership and cited recent improvements seen in animal services.

 7:50 PM Council Members expressed appreciation. Council Member Harker suggested partnering with Wal-Mart to post reminders about not leaving dogs in hot vehicles. Ms. Weatherman indicated this is already being planned. Chief Wyant noted that UPD Officers will remove animals from hot cars on any calls they receive.

 7:51 PM Ms. Weatherman stated that shelter and animal care training will be held November 15-17, 2019 through a conference at West Valley City Animal Services.

 7:53 PM Ms. Weatherman described efforts being made to eventually increase staffing and enhance training of current staff.

 7:55 PM Council Member Christopherson stated that he is excited about the leadership change at Animal Services. He cited additional funds allocated by the Council for improved animal services. He commended the quality report rendered.

3.6 UDOT Project Update: I-215 Southbound Frontage Road from 4100 to 4700 South – Oanh Le-Spradlin

 7:56 PM Oanh Le-Spradlin presented an update on the UDOT I-215 Southbound Frontage Road Project from 4100 South to 4700 South. She discussed the following: project description, project purpose, project schedule, and study area. She relayed that an open house regarding the project will be held next Tuesday, September 24th, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at Taylorsville City Hall. She also referenced project alternatives and project contact information

It was confirmed that the Taylorsville Planning Commission Meeting for September 24th has been cancelled.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – City Council Meeting: September 4, 2019

 8:01 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Curt Cochran **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

There were no financial matters.

7. OTHER MATTERS

There were no other matters.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

8.1 Council Chair Armstrong – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.2 Council Vice Chair Harker – She asked about the Tree Planning event planned for October 10, 2019. Communications Director Kim Horiuchi confirmed that she will provide city social media posts regarding the event.

8.3 Council Member Burgess – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.4 Council Member Christopherson – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.5 Council Member Cochran – nothing for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

 8:02 PM

9.1 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, October 2, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

9.2 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, October 2, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

9.3 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, October 8, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

9.4 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, October 8, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

9.5 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, October 16, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

9.6 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, October 16, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

9.7 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, October 22, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

(For more Details on Events, Visit the City's Website)

10.1 “Meet the Candidates Night” (Hosted by the Exchange Club of Taylorsville and Sponsored by ChamberWest): Thursday, October 3, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. – Taylorsville City Council Chambers

10.2 “Taylorsville’s Got Talent” (Sponsored by the Taylorsville Arts Council): Saturday, October 12, 2019 – 7:30 p.m. – Taylorsville Senior Center (4743 Plymouth View Drive)

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)
- For the Purpose(s) Described in Statute U.C.A. 52-4-205

 8:03 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale or purchase of real property, pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and the character or professional competence of an individual at 8:03 p.m. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

The meeting was closed at 8:03 p.m. for the purposes listed below, wherein no other matters were discussed.

- **Strategy Session Concerning the Sale or Purchase of Real Property**
- **Strategy Session Regarding Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation**
- **Discussion of the Character or Professional Competence of an Individual**

Those in attendance at the Closed Session were: Mayor Kristie Overson, Council Members Burgess, Christopherson, Cochran, Armstrong, and Harker; City Attorney Tracy Cowdell; City Administrator John Taylor; Economic/Community 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 Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the Closed Session and the City Council Meeting. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 10-02-19