

August 12, 2008

Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at Alpine City Hall, 20 North Main, Alpine, Utah 84004 at 7:00 pm:

The following members were present and constituted a quorum:

Mayor Hunt Willoughby

City Council Members: Kimberly Bryant, Kent Hastings, Jim Tracy, Tracy Wallace and Thomas Whitchurch

Staff: Ted Stillman, David Church, Shane Sorensen, Janis H. Williams and Jay Healey

Others: Jannicke Brewer, Aaron Holtsclaw, *Lone Peak Press*, Kip Botkin, *Police Chief*, Brad Reneer, Cade Cottrell, Heather Cottrell, Amy Thackeray, Carla Wheadon and Scott Kenny

- I. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Hunt Willoughby called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed those in attendance.
- II. **PRAYER/OPENING COMMENTS** – Kent Hastings
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Cade Cottrell led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** Time has been set- aside for the public to express their ideas, concerns and comments on items not on the agenda.

Cade Cottrell presented his proposed Eagle Scout project and said he would like to pull out the weeds on the hill behind the gazebo in the Cemetery and prepare it for flower planting. Cade Cottrell said his project would involve pulling the weeds for about 45 feet and 12 feet up the hill, leveling out the ground and putting down landscape material. He would do this to prepare the planting for another scout to do his Eagle Scout project. Cade Cottrell said this area was visible all around Alpine and would help let our community enjoy the area all the more.

Scott Kenny said he would like the City Council to appoint a committee to study the feasibility of having a public library in Alpine whether it is located in the proposed Community Center, in the park or as a joint venture with Highland. Mr. Kenny passed out an information sheet listing the State's requirements for certification. Mayor Willoughby said this item needed to be a line item on the agenda to be able to act on this.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

Payment Request

TNT General Contractors – FT. CANYON SEWER - \$89,608.75

Kilgore Paving & Maintenance – 2008 OVERLAY PROJECT - \$290,995.85

Shane Sorensen said we have had the bill for TNT General Contractors for the Ft. Canyon sewer project which has gone very smoothly. The overlay project is also complete.

MOTION: Kent Hastings moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Kimberly Bryant seconded. Ayes: Kimberly Bryant, Kent Hastings, Jim Tracy, Tracy Wallace and Thomas Whitchurch. Nays: 0. Motion passed.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. **CITY COUNCIL RAISES.** Mayor Hunt Willoughby went over a summary of how Alpine's Mayor and City Council Member's salaries compare with other cities. It was noted that any increase in salaries would not take place until January 2010. Tracy Wallace said he was looking at the current amount the City Council is receiving right now and said this barely covers his expenses. In comparing the chart that was in the packet, Alpine City is very low and benefits available to the other Council Members in the other cities was low. Jim Tracy said there were twelve communities on the chart and ten of them received benefits. Kimberly Bryant said she could not justify to the public receiving benefits for the years served on the Council and considered her time on the Council as her desire to serve the community and she did not consider this as a

part-time job. Kent Hastings felt the health benefits would cost substantially more than their current salary. Mayor Hunt Willoughby noted that Lindon just increased their salaries to cover the annual cost of living adjustment. Thomas Whitchurch said he thought it would be fair to tie their salaries in to the Cost of Living Adjustment and would like to see this discussion take place when we are working on the budget. Mayor Willoughby said we wouldn't want this to be discussed close to elections and Thomas Whitchurch said to include benefits to the Council Members should not be political.

Mayor Willoughby suggested that we bring this back at a later date and asked the Council Members to provide their thoughts separately.

B. 100 SOUTH PARK MASTER PLAN (ADD DESIGN OF 300 NORTH PARK - \$1,500.00). Mayor Willoughby said they did speak with Jason Carlton some time ago about purchasing the Carlton property on 300 East from him for a park's maintenance building but didn't come together on a price. Mayor Willoughby showed a map and said there was a possibility of using the property behind the 300 North Well House to build a park's maintenance building that would house mowers and all their equipment. This area would be tucked away and wouldn't take valuable property away from the 100 South Park. Mayor Willoughby said we also need to look at the Open Space in the Taylor Meadows Subdivision so it will tie into the 100 South Park.

Ted Stillman said the City currently has a contract with Lars Anderson to accomplish the Master Plan for the 100 South Park and City staff proposes adding several items to this plan. These items include master planning the 300 North Park located a couple of blocks north of the 100 South Park. The 300 North Park could be a location for a Parks shop. As part of the Taylor Meadows Subdivision the City received two parcels of open space and it is proposed that these parcels be planned as part of the 100 South Park as the Taylor Meadows Subdivision is adjacent to the Park. It will cost \$1,500 to add these areas to the 100 South Park Master Plan.

Shane Sorensen said that if we had a maintenance facility behind the 300 North Well House, we could probably have the 100 South Park stand alone without a maintenance facility. The Open Space in Taylor Meadows could be left alone and then have that portion landscaped to look real nice.

Jannicke Brewer felt it might be very emotional to have a maintenance building built behind the 300 North Well House as the neighbors were promised this might be a rugby field or a park. Mayor Willoughby said he has talked to approximately five neighbors who live by that property and he has not had one negative comment.

MOTION: Jim Tracy moved to approve the addition of \$1,500 to the contract with Lars Anderson Design to master plan the 300 North Park and the Taylor Meadows Open Space. Kent Hastings seconded. Ayes: Kimberly Bryant, Kent Hastings, Jim Tracy, Tracy Wallace and Thomas Whitchurch. Nays: 0. Motion passed.

C. RESOLUTION NO. R2008-05 – DISPATCH SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT. Ted Stillman said that Utah County is in the process of creating the Utah Valley Dispatch Special Service District. The District will begin functioning on January 1, 2009. The current Dispatch Center is funded on a per call basis and the new Dispatch District Board will determine how the District is to be funded. This could include a tax levy and interim funding will cost Alpine an additional \$18,659 for fiscal year 2008-2009. Kent Hastings asked if Provo and Orem have their own dispatch service. Ted Stillman said they do as well as Pleasant Grove and Springville who have their own service. Chief Botkin said this is a complex issue and we do not care what traffic goes on in Provo; however, this system would work better with cities that have adjacent boundaries. Chief Botkin said he has investigated the possibility of having Pleasant Grove dispatch our officers and financially this would not work.

Thomas Whitchurch said he would like to see one more WHEREAS added in the Resolution that would read "Whereas Utah County will lower its tax rate in direct proportion to each city's contribution." Ted Stillman said this would not work because the monies collected would be going to different organizations. Mayor Willoughby felt the County needed to go through a Truth in Taxation hearing to tell the public what they are planning on using the \$900,000 for. Mayor Willoughby further stated that if we strong arm the County, then they will go ahead without us. Jim Tracy asked that out of the 22 cities that will be participating, how many

board members will be in the District and will a small city have the same number as a large city. Ted Stillman said this hasn't been determined yet and that will be in the by-laws when they are created.

Mayor Willoughby said we will address our concerns in the Transmittal Letter.

MOTION: Thomas Whitchurch moved to adopt Resolution No. R2008-05, a Resolution which includes Alpine in the Utah Valley Dispatch Special Service District. Jim Tracy seconded. Ayes: Kimberly Bryant, Kent Hastings, Jim Tracy, Tracy Wallace and Thomas Whitchurch. Nays: 0. Motion passed.

VII. REPORTS

VIII. COMMUNICATION

Mayor Hunt Willoughby – Had 25 people on the hike to Lake Hardy and there were about 70+ people at the Fireside on Sunday evening. Both activities were successful.

Kimberly Bryant – She said that older people missed the entertainment, the Family Dinner and the auction. These people like sitting under the tent visiting and eating food.

Jim Tracy –

1. Reported on Alpine Days and said it went very well. Most of the complaints were about the inflatables. The Lone Peak Marching Band provided security at the inflatables but they were at the end of the parade and by the time they changed from their uniforms one-half hour had lapsed before they got over to the inflatables. The fireworks were late due to the weather and it was anticipated that the Rodeo would be 15 minutes longer.
2. Made notes for next year and felt we needed about 30 more people to help with Alpine Days.
3. Mayor Willoughby said he hoped we could spread the wealth around and Jason Thelin will be the chairman for next year. Mayor Willoughby said he wants to see the Councilmen enjoy the day with their families.
4. Went to the ground breaking for the Front Runner. It will be about 2 more years before it is up and running.

Tracy Wallace –

1. Thanked Officer Jake Mooseman for his help during Alpine Days.
2. Thanked the staff in City Hall, the Public Works Department and especially Chuck Mattfeldt for his hard work.
3. The super balls were a hit

Thomas Whitchurch –

1. Suggested we look at the length of the movie when selecting the movie for Alpine Days.
2. Thanked the Fire Department for letting him use the Rhino for garbage pickup.

Ted Stillman – Went to FEMA school with Barry Edwards, City Administrator of Highland, Chief Kip Botkin, and Brad Freeman. For four days they were in a mock disaster, mostly in mitigation and recovery. They learned a lot and he felt it was very helpful. Ted Stillman said we need to update our mitigation plan and every dollar spent you save in cost after the disaster.

Shane Sorensen –

1. 600 East is going to be paved on Thursday; however, we are waiting for the flashing lights.
2. The overlay project is completed and most of all the important school crosswalks have been repainted.
3. The Ft. Canyon sewer project is going smoothly.
4. One of the lights in the roundabout needs some maintenance done on it.

Jannicke Brewer – The Dog Show for Alpine Days was not very good. The Senior Dinner was

successful.

Janis Williams – Has scheduled City Council pictures for August 26, 2008 at 6:00 pm at the Gazebo in Legacy Park.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss Litigation, Property Acquisition and Personnel. An Executive Session was not needed.

X. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
City Council Meeting of July 22, 2008

MOTION: Kent Hastings moved to approve the City Council Minutes of July 22, 2008 and adjourn. Kimberly Bryant seconded. Ayes: Kimberly Bryant, Kent Hastings, Jim Tracy, Tracy Wallace and Thomas Whitchurch. Nays: 0. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05