

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FRUIT HEIGHTS CITY
910 South Mountain Road
March 1, 2016

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The City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Don Carroll at 7:06 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scouts of America Troop 442 and Council Member Brandon Halliday began the opening ceremony with a prayer.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Members Diane Anderson, Gary Anderson, Julia Busche, Brandon Halliday, Scot Poole and Mayor Don Carroll were present.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Brandon Green and City Planner Jeff were present.

VISITORS: Floyd Landon, Brett Larkin Kaysville Fire Chief, Scout Troop 442, Sue Logan, Guido Smith Farmington Fire Chief,

AGENDA ITEMS:

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Council Member Brandon Halliday made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections of February 16, 2015. Council Member Julia Busche seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS- Items from the Public

4. NEW BUSINESS 00:06:44

4.1 Discussion Regarding Emergency Services Contract

Mayor Don Carroll explained that this topic was addressed in the Strategic Planning Meeting but it was determined that it would be further discussed in a regular City Council Meeting. This discussion was initiated by the City of Fruit Heights approaching Farmington City and soliciting information from them. The City of Fruit Heights has also informally discussed this issue with Layton City also. The proposal from Farmington was discussed in the Strategic Planning Meeting. It includes three options, Option 1, Option 2, and Option 3. Option 3 was an option for evaluation purposes. Mayor Don Carroll also mentioned that this inquiry to Farmington City Fire Department was not done to start a bidding war or to pit one entity against another.

Chief Smith from Farmington addressed the Council. He mentioned the great working relationship Farmington Fire Department had with Kaysville Fire Department. Chief Smith mentioned that the information packet was assembled with his understanding of how the Farmington Fire Department could best serve Fruit Heights City. He explained

than in his opinion the best way to serve Fruit Heights would be to put some services centralized right in Fruit Heights City. He believes even minimal resources would decrease the response time for medical emergencies. He noted that none of these options actually meet the true recommendations of NFPA. These meet only the minimal needs.

Option 1 included the recommendation to put a facility and 3 person staff in the City, 24/7, with an engine. Option 2 was 2 people, 24/7, in the City with a facility. Option 3 would be a 12 hour option. Option 3 could be done but it is not the best option for either city. This option gives a false sense of security that services would be in the community 24/7. The 12 hour day is also difficult on Farmington Fire Department. Chief Smith recommended as a Professional Fire Chief that if Farmington Fire Department provides services for Fruit Heights that it be 24/7. With a centrally localized Fruit Heights facility, the response time for Fruit Height City's calls could be three minutes or less.

Chief Smith and the City Council discussed using the City Offices for a facility but it would prove challenging for a 24 hour facility or even for a 12 hour facility. Chief Smith mentioned the option of a double wide trailer or other commercial facilities or post barn type structures. In his opinion the community sub-station is the best option for this point in time. They can be re-purposed and sold. They can have a 15-20 year life-span.

Council Member Scot Poole asked about the timing of the majority of calls. The busiest days are Thursday, Fridays and Saturdays. The busiest times are 8:00 am, noon and between 6:00 and 10:00 pm. Chief Larkin of the Kaysville Fire Department mentioned that about 67% of the calls happen between 10:00 am and 8:00 pm but the most critical or serious calls happen after midnight. Chief Larkin felt it was important to provide 24 hour service not for the volume of the calls but for the critical calls.

Council Member Brandon Halliday asked Chief Smith about the possibility of the prices increasing significantly through the years. Chief Smith stated that there should not be significant increases of any sort unless Fruit Heights City requests further resources. The Mayor mentioned the importance of an open dialogue in budgeting for normal increases and not being surprised by sudden charges. Chief Smith cited that in discussing the proposal with the Mayor and City Manager of Farmington that this is about providing a service for Fruit Heights City and it is a deal that would also benefit Farmington but it would not be about making money. Chief Smith agreed that communication and not having surprises were very important.

Council Member Julia Busche questioned if the costs of setting up the facilities would be included in the option prices but the Mayor mentioned that Farmington would only be providing the services and not the facilities so those option prices are just including

the services. The City would be responsible for providing the facilities. The Mayor and City Council discussed rental options and utilities.

The Mayor opened the discussion up to the audience for questions. Mr. Floyd Landon from Creekview Drive asked how the citizens will be informed of the change and if they will have a say in the decision. He also wanted to know about the costs of the proposals and if the City will go to Kaysville and ask them how they can save Fruit Heights City money. The Mayor responded and stated that the City will not go to Kaysville for a bid. Mayor Carroll also stated that due to the sensitivity of the issue and the fact that the City is fulfilling the responsibility of providing these services for the citizens that there will not be a Public Hearing. Council Member Halliday mentioned that the services provided by Kaysville Fire Department have not been questioned and that this was a cost driven conversation. He mentioned that the City Council is trying to provide a better option for our citizens. Council Member Diane Anderson thanked Mr. Landon for being an involved citizen and mentioned that this is on the agenda as a discussion item and that when the decision is being voted upon the City will notify the residents.

The Mayor mentioned that this decision will need to be made quickly and most likely at the next City Council meeting.

4.2 Discussion Regarding Strategic Planning and FY 2016-2017 Budget

City Manager Brandon Green asked the City Council to explain exactly what they wanted to see presented in the budget as he prepares for FY 2016-2017 budget presentations. The Mayor helped define the budget items as reoccurring items such as salt, place holders such as a set amount for upgrading City Hall and anticipatory items such as an amphitheater. The City Council asked for any details he can give them.

City Manager Brandon Green explained the budget process to the City Council. He mentioned that the budget doesn't change tremendously from year to year. The next few years the budget will change because there is finally money being raised to spend on road, storm drains and water projects. He mentioned that when he puts together the budget the numbers have been researched and calculated. Council Member Halliday requested to see the calculations and the research that City Manager Green uses. Council Member Gary Anderson states that he feels it is his job as a City Council Member to help control the purse strings but not to over micromanage. He requested that the City Manager bring purchases to the City Council and explain his thought processes of why the City Manager considers it a good purchase and also the price comparisons he used. Council Member Anderson would like more information than just a number and is not willing to take the City Manager's word that this is a reasonable price. Council Member Gary Anderson stated that too often businesses don't do their due diligence and research if something is still a good price. Council Member Diane

Anderson expressed how frustrating it must be to the new Council Members who have not gone through the budgeting process and are entering the year mid-budget.

City Manager Green stated that he will start with the General Fund, next will come Capitol Projects, and he will end with streets, water and storm drains.

5. OLD BUSINESS

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

7. UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS:

Mayor Don Carroll requested that the City Council put the Hill Air Force Base Airshow on their calendar. The dates are June 25-26, 2016.

March 26, 2016 9:30am Easter Egg Hunt. City Manager Green mentioned having a plan for inclement weather.

League of Cities and Towns Convention: second week in September.

Mother's Day: Mother of the Year, put requests out on the website. Council also discusses in case there are not nominations. The Clipper used to do a luncheon but they didn't do it last year. City Manager Green mentioned that it is rumored that it will not happen this year either.

Unsung Hero also needs to be nominated. The City has also done a distinguished citizen in years passed. The City Council discussed combining those two.

Father of the Year was also mentioned.

City Manager Green was asked to get a list of the past winners of Mother of the Year and Unsung Hero so the City Council doesn't repeat nominations.

The City Council asked about citizens sending nominations through the website. Council Member Julia Busche mentioned getting the word out using the available resources.

8. DEPARTMENT AND CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS: 01:08:45

8.1 City Engineer's Report

There was no report given.

8.2 City Planner's Report

City Planner Jeff Oyler reported that the annexation is moving forward on the east bench development. He has been waiting on the developer returning some paperwork back to the City. City Planner Oyler explained that this is a complex development with many different steps. He mentioned that the City Staff has the responsibility of making sure that this development is done correctly. The Mayor also mentioned that the City needs to make sure that they are also committed to being fair and moving the process forward. City Planner Jeff Oyler explained that the City heard back from the 3rd party Geo-tech firm and that the developer has not completed the requirements for what our SLEDS ordinance requires. Nothing the developer does can be approved until those requirements are met. The Mayor mentioned that because of the development agreement the developer knows full well up front what the City expects from them. They move forward with full knowledge of those expectations.

8.3 City Manager's Report 01:20:01

City Manager Green mentioned that the food truck idea has really taken off. The trucks want to come every Monday and there would be 5-6 different trucks every week. The times have not been worked out. In learning about the food trucks, City Manager Green has found out that the more regular the occurrence the more successful the nights. Council Member Scot Poole inquired about Sales Tax. City Manager Green was tasked with following up on that issue. The City Council discussed pros and cons of having it every week, concerns over parking, locations, community spirit, time limits and bands playing those evenings. It will start in April. City Manager Brandon Green will limit them to two hours. The City will try once a week and make changes as needed.

The lights are installed at Fairway Cove.

There are currently three bids being prepared for remodeling the bathrooms at Nicholls Park and City Manager Green hopes to have those bids at the next meeting. The Council discussed advertising the closure on social media and the website. Council Member Brandon Halliday inquired as to the costs and possibility of surveillance cameras. City Manager Green mentioned that surveillance cameras will be a part of redoing the parking lot and putting in conduit for the cables needed for the system. Signage was discussed. Portable toilets will be rented while the bathrooms are under construction.

Castle Park was discussed and the Council was tasked with going down and touring the park before the next Council Meeting.

City Manager Green suggested inviting the residents from 1800 East to come next Tuesday and talking with him about the potential new development and other questions or concerns they may have. The perception is out there that Brandon Green is making lots of money on this proposed development and is also making sure that roads are named after him. City Manager Green will send a flyer out to the residents to come

and discuss their concerns. Council Member Busche and Poole volunteered to come and listen to the questions. It will take place from 7:00-8:00 pm

Mayor Carroll mentioned that the mine area is already becoming a problem. The Sheriff will do extra patrols. Drug use is becoming a large problem. Fencing, tearing it down, booting vehicles, towing vehicles, signage and ticketing were discussed.

8.4 City Council Member's Reports 02:00:56

Council Member Scot Poole asked for an update on the website. City Manager Green called Farmington and Kaysville and both pay more than Fruit Heights pays for our hosting site. It will be on the next agenda for approval.

Council Member Julia Busche mentioned that there is a rally by the SAEV Coalition at 7:00 am at the Capital next Thursday. The Mayor mentioned that there have been threats and bullying directed at these young people. Council Member Julia Busche talked about the online sales tax bill that passed unanimously in the Senate and would be going on to the House of Representatives. She discussed the benefits to the City if this bill was passed and encouraged those who were willing to email Representative Barlow.

8.5 Mayor's Report

Mayor Carroll thanked everyone for their help and support. He appreciated the participation in the Strategic Planning Meeting.

10. CLOSED MEETING

A closed meeting was not held.

11. ELECTRONIC MEETING

An electronic meeting was not held.

12. ADJOURNMENT: 02:12:45

Council Member Brandon Halliday made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Scot Poole seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true, accurate and complete record of the Fruit Heights City Council meeting held March 1, 2016.

Not approved until signed


Kelli Rollins, Fruit Heights Recording Secretary

Date approved by City Council: March 15, 2016