

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
BRIGHAM CITY COUNCIL
February 19, 2015**

PRESENT:	Tyler Vincent	Mayor
	DJ Bott	Councilmember
	Alden Farr	Councilmember
	Ruth Jensen	Councilmember
	Mark Thompson	Councilmember
ALSO PRESENT:	Rick Bosworth	Human Resource Manager
	Mary Kate Christensen	City Recorder
	Kristy Law	Community Activities & Services Manager
	Mike Nelsen	Police Chief
	Jason Roberts	Finance Director
EXCUSED:	Tom Peterson	Councilmember

Mayor Vincent called the meeting to order and excused Councilmember Peterson who was out of town. The Reverence Period was given by Bishop Clyde Wohlgemuth. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2014 Council meeting was made by Councilmember Thompson, seconded by Councilmember Bott and unanimously approved as distributed.

AGENDA

**ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM
PUBLIC COMMENT
COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS
CONSENT**

Request to Write-off Accounts Due to Bankruptcy or Being Sent to Collections
Appointment of Interim Police Chief Michael Nelsen
Appointment to Recreation and Parks Commission

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Councilmember Thompson nominated Councilmember Jensen, seconded by Councilmember Bott, unanimously carried. Councilmember Jensen was elected Mayor Pro Tem for 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lee Johnson, Brigham City - Mr. Johnson said, in his best Russian accent, welcome comrades to the first communist church of Brigham City. He said it is interesting, all this discussion about the movie "*Fifty Shades of Gray*." He proposed *Fifty Shades of Red*, which would discuss communists of all different varieties and flavors. The one that most people are afraid of is Marxism. That is a fine case of communism, but they don't like ours, in Mother Russian we have a different form, a Marxist Leninist form and the Marxist hate us because we promote the idea of state capitalism. It gets all those conservatives in the United States

confused. While we push state capitalists on them individuals lose their freedom. But we spread it all around - capitalism for everyone.

DeAnna Hardy, County - Ms. Hardy respectfully disagreed with Mayor Vincent when he stated in his State of the City address that the City is in good financial shape. How can a City be in great financial shape when the City is in great financial debt with UTOPIA, all the citizens being forced to pay for 1,300 users? Where is the constitutional protection for the non-UTOPIA users? The same with non pickleball users - they are being forced to pay for another governmental chosen recreation. Brigham City is following the failed Model City plan implemented by President Lyndon B. Johnson, pumping federal, state and local government funds into redevelopment projects which will lead to bankruptcy. Just like the socialist governments you'll eventually run out of other people's money. The citizen that commented at the last Council meeting that if Brigham City didn't take the grant money, Weber or Davis County would, it would be great for Brigham to stand on the principle of not wanting to help put our country into further financial debt and collapse. Ms. Hardy talked against smart meters and socialism.

There were no further comments.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Thompson stated that the Youth City Council will be attending a seminar next month where they will review with other City Councils what they are doing and try to learn from others as well. The USU Advisory Board met and the new building is still on track and is targeted to be completed by December 2. It will be ready for classes the first of January. It is ahead of schedule and under budget.

Councilmember Jensen said that the Aging Advisory Board is looking for another employee for the event coordinator position. They are planning for the Spring Spectacular in March. The Boys & Girls Club is working on their local fundraising. They are asking businesses and residents to help because they are no longer associated with United Way. The Chamber of Commerce had the Eggs and Issues and talked about the importance of social media. She mentioned the Utah Policy Facebook page which informs people on budgets, bills, Medicaid, school boards, and polls throughout Utah.

Councilmember Farr said he was out of town when the Airport Advisory Board met but the minutes stated that the Young Eagles group had 20 participants last year and this year they are up to 60. The Library Board is going through the process of reviewing their fees.

CONSENT

Request to Write-off Accounts Due to Bankruptcy or Being Sent to Collections

A list of accounts totaling \$3,453.33 was presented to be removed from the City's system due to customer taking out bankruptcy or being sent to collections.

Appointment of Interim Police Chief Michael Nelsen

It was recommended Michael Nelsen be appointed as the interim Police Chief.

Appointment to Recreation and Parks Commission

Clyde Wohlgemuth and Ron Papworth were recommended for re-appointment to the Recreation and Parks Commission and Cindy Simcox and Roger Sorensen were reappointed to the same Commission and Jeremy Barber as an alternate.

MOTION: Councilmember Farr made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilmember Bott, unanimously carried.

Ms. Christensen administered the Oath of Office to Chief Mike Nelsen.

The meeting adjourned to an RDA 7:19 p.m.