

MINUTES OF THE VERNAL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD
FEBRUARY 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vernal City Council room, 374 East Main,
Vernal, Utah 84078.

PRESENT: Mayor Sonja Norton and Councilmembers Dave Everett, Bert Clark, Travis Allan, Samantha Scott, and Ted Munford.

WELCOME: Mayor Sonja Norton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

INVOCATION OR UPLIFTING THOUGHT: An invocation was given by Councilmember Travis Allan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Dave Everett.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2016 REGULAR MEETING:
Councilmember Bert Clark moved to approve the minutes of January 20, 2016. Councilmember Ted Munford seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Munford, Allan, Everett, Scott, and Clark voting in favor for a unanimous vote.

DINO TRIATHLON REQUEST FOR FUNDING – ERIN BRADLEY & ED BULLOCK:
Erin Bradley explained that they are in charge of the Dino Triathlon this year, and the event is slated as a regional qualifier which means the participants can qualify for larger events if they finish in the allotted time. The advertising for this event has also been expanded to draw more participants. Ms. Bradley requested the City Council consider sponsoring the event in the amount of \$2000 as in the past. Mayor Norton asked for a copy of the budget. Erin Bradley gave the Council a copy of last year’s expenses explaining that they added \$1000 for advertising and lowered the travel costs so the expenses are the same as last year. Mayor Norton asked if they were set up as a non-profit organization. Erin Brandley answered no they are set up as an LLC. She also explained in addition to this race, they also sponsor a 5K race at McCoy flats. Ed Bullock explained that they moved the event to the first week in June and lost participants so they moved it back to the end of June. Councilmember Ted Munford commented that with the downturn in the economy the City funding has decreased 25% so sponsorships such as this event are hard to fund. He suggested the City contribute \$1500 this year instead of \$2000. Councilmember Everett and Clark agreed. *Councilmember Ted Munford moved to sponsor the Dino Triathlon in the amount of \$1500. Councilmember Samantha Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:*

Councilmember Munford.....aye;
Councilmember Allanaye;
Councilmember Everettaye;
Councilmember Scott.....aye;
Councilmember Clark.....aye.

REQUEST TO AMEND CHARGES FOR SERVICES – POLICE FEES FOR FINGERPRINTING – RESOLUTION NO. 2016-01 - AMMON MANNING: Sgt. Ammon Manning explained that the police department is proposing to charge \$10 for fingerprinting services to recoup the fees incurred for the computer based system. The cost for maintenance of the system is \$2800 each year. Further, all the agencies in the Uintah Basin charge \$10 for the ten-card fingerprints. Mayor Norton asked how many people request this service. Ammon

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Manning stated he did not know. He explained that last Monday there were six people requesting fingerprints and Tuesday there was one. Most of the requests are for concealed weapon permitting. Mayor Norton wondered if the City should not do fingerprints and simply send people to the jail so the City does not incur the \$2800 cost. Sgt. Manning stated that the Strike Force covers the cost, and it is simply good PR to provide this service as the local police department. Mayor Norton asked the police department to track the number of people who come in for fingerprints. *Councilmember Bert moved to approve Resolution No. 2016-01 as presented. Councilmember Dave Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:*

Councilmember Munford.....aye;
Councilmember Allanaye;
Councilmember Everettaye;
Councilmember Scott.....aye;
Councilmember Clark.....aye.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH UTAH ANIMAL CONTROL & SHELTER SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT FOR BOARDING OF POLICE CANINES – RESOLUTION NO. 2016-02 – DAVE EVERETT:

Councilmember Dave Everett explained that this agreement allows the Animal Shelter to kennel the police canine animals in situations when the officer has to leave town and cannot find housing. The shelter will house the animal free of charge. This District has signed this same agreement with Naples City, and it was thought that agreement covered all K-9 units, which was incorrect. *Councilmember Samantha Scott moved to approve Resolution No. 2016-02, approving the interlocal agreement with the Animal SSD. Councilmember Travis Allan seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:*

Councilmember Munford.....aye;
Councilmember Allanaye;
Councilmember Everettaye;
Councilmember Scott.....aye;
Councilmember Clark.....aye.

REQUEST TO AMEND CHARGES FOR SERVICES - BUILDING PERMIT FEES - RESOLUTION NO. 2016-03 - KEN BASSETT:

Ken Bassett reminded the Council that at the last meeting when it was determined the City would sell two building lots to UBATC for their carpentry program, the question came up if the City could waive the building fees. The fee schedule does allow the fees to be waived for local government entities in Uintah County. Resolution No. 2016-03 would add State entities to this schedule. Normally if a State facility is being built, no fees would be paid anyway. In this case, the construction will be residential, so the City would have to waive the fees. The reason to agree to do this is that the purpose of the residential dwelling construction is to provide opportunities for students to learn carpentry skills. Councilmember Clark asked if the inspections would be done by the City and if they would be required to follow City code. Ken Bassett answered yes. *After further discussion, Councilmember Travis Allan moved to approve Resolution No. 2016-03. Councilmember Bert Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:*

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Councilmember Munford.....aye;
Councilmember Allanaye;
Councilmember Everettaye;
Councilmember Scott.....aye;
Councilmember Clark.....aye.

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Road cuts:

Councilmember Ted Munford commented that by Davis Jubilee on 500 West there is a road cut that has lifted. Ken Bassett stated the staff will check on it.

UBATC:

Mayor Sonja Norton stated that UBATC presented their annual report to the Impact Mitigation District and explained how the scholarship funds were used. The College uses a book that tells a story of some of the students to show the benefits of their programs which helps put a face to the money that is contributed.

Utah Planners Association:

Mayor Norton explained that the Utah Planners Association will be holding their annual conference in Vernal. She asked the Council if one of them could welcome them as she would not be available to attend. Councilmembers Dave Everett and Samantha Scott said they would be available.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, Councilmember Ted Munford moved to adjourn. Councilmember Samantha Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote and the meeting was declared adjourned.

Mayor Sonja Norton

ATTEST:

Roxanne Behunin, Deputy Recorder

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