



**SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL, PARK CITY COUNCIL, AND PARK CITY SCHOOL
BOARD SPECIAL JOINT MEETING MINUTES
445 MARSAC AVENUE
PARK CITY, UT 84060
SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH**

**May 9, 2016
8:00 a.m.**

SPECIAL MEETING

Roll Call

Summit County Council

Roger Armstrong
Chris Robinson
Tom Fisher – Manager

Park City School District

Ember Conley – Superintendent
JJ Ehlers
Julie Eihausen
Phil Kaplan
Tania Knauer

Park City Council

Jack Thomas - Mayor
Andy Beerman
Becca Gerber
Tim Henney
Cindy Matsumoto
Nann Worel
Diane Foster- City Manager

1. Welcome and Introductions:

Mayor Thomas welcomed those in attendance and asked the group to determine a date for the next joint meeting. It was decided to hold the next meeting on September 19th at the School District Office, at 8:00 a.m. The members of the group then introduced themselves and indicated which entity they represented.

2. Transportation Planning and Projects Update:

Alfred Knotts, Park City Transportation Planning Manager, presented this item. He indicated that there were high traffic patterns in specific areas of the City between 7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. and between 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. He hoped to meet with the School District, the transit system and big employers in order to work together to focus on alleviating traffic during those peak times.

He reviewed that he met with UDOT to discuss work on SR 248, but was told there was not adequate funding at this time to work on that project. UDOT indicated if the City could get the project to a certain point with local funding, then UDOT would be able to finish up the project within the next two to three years. One thing that would be addressed in the project was access and safety issues, especially close to the school. He requested that representatives from the School Board be on the development team for this project. City Council Member Henney asked if the curb cuts and other aspects of

the SR248 project would resolve the traffic congestion or would changing the start times of the schools help. Knotts indicated there was a possibility that the project could take care of the congestion by itself, although adjusting school start times would be helpful. Knotts also reviewed that expanding the transit system into outlying areas would also help alleviate the rush hour traffic. He wanted to make sure that when those services were expanded, that they would be enticing to commuters so that the program would succeed.

Other efforts presented about the regional transportation approach were emphasis on capital, transit services, and trails. He reviewed the expanded transit service this winter, and the great success that had been seen in increased rides. He felt the transit system would be able to continue to handle the increased loads.

Knotts spoke about the downtown parking. City Council Member Gerber asked if the resorts were involved in park and ride discussions/plans for expansion. Knotts stated the resorts were involved in the planning. It was suggested that awareness campaigns could be ramped up on places in town where skiers could park and then take the bus to the resorts.

Knotts stated that 1.3 million car trips were eliminated each year from people using the transit system.

Tom Fisher, Summit County Manager, stated the congestion on SR 224/SR 248 and Kimball Junction was a peak hour and peak year problem. A lot of the workforce was commuting from outside the County, which reflected on a strong economy in Summit County. The County had identified some projects they would like to see happen in the next few years, such as increasing transit in the unincorporated part of the County, as well as some infrastructure projects, such as park and rides and employee housing. He noted the County was also working under the Mountain Accord. These projects would take big dollars and he asked what could be done to enhance revenue for transportation. He noted there were a few tax options, but those ideas hadn't been fully developed at this time.

Ember Conley, School District Superintendent, stated the School District was looking at start times for the schools based on medical findings on optimal school start times for children. She thought the start times that would be considered most were for Treasure Mountain Junior High and Park City High School. She stated a change in these start times would also impact the elementary schools because they would begin earlier and end earlier. Changing school start times would affect the after school care program, parents work schedules, sports and teen jobs.

3. Recreation Master Plan Update:

Ken Fisher, Recreation Manager, presented this item. He stated that all three entities present today were involved in this master plan. A total of 12 sites were under

consideration for possible recreation facilities, which were within the City and County limits. One component being worked on was how many field houses were needed. He referred to a website dedicated to this project and indicated all comments from the community were posted on this site, as well as the newspaper articles written about this master plan. He noted that all emails the committee members had received had been posted to the website as well for complete transparency. It was indicated that the consultants created this website as part of their scope of work. City Council Member Beerman suggested requiring posters to include their names so the comments would be more constructive.

4. Latino Advocacy Group Updates:

Mayor Thomas reviewed those that made up the Latino Advocacy Group and noted that the United Way representative would be leaving. He read the goals of this group which included that Latino families in this community would be safe and would feel included, children would receive a good education, and people would have the opportunity to earn a good living. Diane Foster, Park City Manager, noted that the different organizations in the area now had Spanish speaking employees who could service this segment of the community. Ken Fisher noted that they had made an effort to get information in Spanish to the Latino community regarding recreation activities, but participation remained low for this segment of the population. Mayor Thomas stated a third of the community was Latino. He thought it would take a long time to get this group fully integrated into the community, and the City would continue in this endeavor.

A School District member indicated that some Leadership Program participants were involved in a program that would focus on Latino issues, and wondered how that program was progressing. Matt Dias, Assistant City Manager, stated the committee of the Leadership group could be changing its focus because of the broadness of the issue. Mayor Thomas stated that in listening to the Latino leaders, Latinos wanted to have a place in the community.

City Council Member Henney stated this problem had been around awhile and he asked why the shift in awareness had increased only lately. Diane Foster stated home prices were increasing and the City now had a priority for affordable housing, the School District had made Latino issues a priority and the United Way came in with Latino issues as a focus. Tom Fisher stated the County also took an interest in Latino issues because the Summit County Health Department saw such an increase in services provided to this segment of the community. Basin Rec was trying to work with Latinos as well.

City Council Member Gerber stated she heard the dual immersion program in the community had empowered the students and parents. It was suggested that English lessons be offered via the radio so Latinos wouldn't need to leave their homes or look for childcare in order to learn English. Discussion ensued on different successes with regard to Latino integration into the community.

5. Schools Update:

Ember Conley, School District Superintendent, presented this item. She discussed the facility expansion for the high school, and thought firmer plans would be made by March, 2017. The School Board would also be considering the pros and cons on the 5th-8th grade school model. She noted that Trailside and Parleys Park were at capacity, McPolin added more teachers at each grade level, and the curriculum was changed, and a new school needed to be built, but the details had not yet been worked out. Conley also indicated the School District just approved the expenditure of \$610,000 to change out all the lights in the School District to LED lightbulbs.

City Council Member Beerman indicated a group of students from Treasure Mountain Junior High and Park City High School came to the last City Council meeting and proposed a youth city council. They would form a club at the respective schools and work with the City Council on different issues within the community.

III. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Michelle Kellogg, Park City Recorder

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